

Global Citizenship Seminar 22 Colleges and Universities: The Path to Global Citizenship July 7 – 14, 2019

General Information

The Alliance is a new organization with a long history. Since 2004, more than 3,800 students, faculty and administrators of our partner institutions helped us shape and promote our mission which is to make global citizenship the foundation for knowledge and action in the 21st century. What used to be a part of the Salzburg Global Seminar is now its own organization with a lean and enthusiastic staff that has taken this program under its own wings in order to make it an even more effective vehicle for the education of globally literate students.

Jochen Fried and Astrid Schroeder are the staff members who will be working on the upcoming Global Citizenship Seminar in July. They are responsible for program development as well as administrative and logistical aspects of the seminar and will be with participants and faculty throughout the week.

Astrid Schroeder's contact info is listed at the end of these materials. Please do not hesitate to be in touch if you have questions concerning your seminar.

All participants should complete and submit the participant information form and email a photo no later than June 20.

The Venue

The team of the Global Citizenship Alliance (Alliance) added yet another location for convening their participants – Lake Mondsee and the town of the same name are located in Upper Austria, approximately a 30 minute car ride east of Salzburg. It is a small town in the beautiful Salzkammergut region. Participants will be



housed in the <u>Schlosshotel Mondsee</u>, formerly Austria's oldest Benedictine abbey, which was founded in 748 CE. It was destroyed and rebuilt several times. In the 16th century the Collegiate Church was added to the complex of buildings. The abbey in Mondsee was handed over to Napoleon in the 18th century before finally ending up in the hands of the aristocratic family Almeida. Countess Almeida sold the castle in 1985 and it opened its doors as a hotel in 2001.

Arrival and Departure

The seminar will begin on **July 7** with an into meeting at 4:00 pm. Participants should plan to arrive on the 7th. Check-in time is officially 3:00 pm, however in many cases an earlier check-in may be possible. **July 14** is reserved solely for departures. Check-out time is 11:00



am. If you would like to book a room for an earlier arrival or later departure, please contact the Schlosshotel Mondsee Reception via email (<u>info@schlossmondsee.at</u>) or phone (+43 6232 5001-22) to check availability and reserve a room. Please indicate that you are participating in the Global Citizenship Alliance.

Travel to Mondsee

For those traveling to Mondsee via Salzburg Airport, it is best to take a taxi or an Uber car. We recommend that participants from each respective college coordinate their travel and share taxis upon arrival. If you have additional questions regarding travel, please contact Astrid Schroeder.

Accommodations

Participants are housed in single rooms in the Schlosshotel Mondsee. Electric current in Austria is 220 volts, meaning that you will need a converter and/or adapter in order to use electronic appliances that have a standard American 120 volt plug.

Please be careful with your valuables and do not leave computers, cameras, or similar items unattended in public spaces. Although the venue and Mondsee in general are relatively safe, we are not able to regulate who is passing through the public spaces all the time and therefore recommend that you do not leave valuable personal items unattended in public spaces.

Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served buffet style at the venue. It is important that you let us know in advance on the Bio Information Form if you are a vegetarian or if you have any other specific dietary



requirements. The kitchen staff at the hotel can accommodate most requests provided we know about them in advance.

Clothing

Dress at the Seminar is generally informal. Participants are also encouraged to bring a pair of comfortable walking shoes.

The weather in Mondsee tends to be pleasant and warm in the summer. Daytime high temperatures generally average around 28-30 degrees Celsius (82-86 Fahrenheit) but any given week can see warmer or cooler temperatures. Participants are encouraged to check the Salzburg weather forecast shortly before traveling to Mondsee and pack appropriately.

Excursions and Social Activities

There is one free day, except for a morning lecture, for participants to enjoy the surrounding area. In addition, on another day the morning is free until lunch, and on the final day the afternoon is free until we reconvene for dinner. Information regarding various guided tours and excursions can be found at the Reception desk and the Reception team is happy to assist with bookings. The hotel also has a spa that is free of charge for participants.

Wireless

Wireless access is available throughout the hotel and in all rooms.

Money

The currency in Austria is the Euro. American dollars can be exchanged at most banks. Be aware that many banks are only open in the morning from 8:30 to 12:30 and in the afternoon from 2:00 to 4:00. American ATM cards and most common credit cards can be used to withdraw money from Austrian ATM machines (bancomats).

Telephone

You can make direct calls from your room, but beware that international calls from Austria are expensive. Usually the best option is to use the internet calling service Skype (<u>www.skype.com</u>). Please note that calling a 1-800 number from Austria is **not** free and is charged the same as making a long distance phone call. Your family and friends can call you by dialing +43 6232 5001. The Reception staff will either forward the call to your room or take a message.

Medical Care

If a medical problem should arise, the Alliance team in Austria will assist you in finding an appropriate doctor. **Please notify us of any medical conditions you may have that could require attention during your stay.** You should bring with you any personal prescription medicines you normally take.

Mailing Addresses

Mailing and contact information for Alliance team members and for participants during the seminar:

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Contact Information

Please feel free to contact Alliance team member *Astrid Schroeder,* COO, Global Citizenship Alliance, Email: <u>aschroeder@globalcitizenshipalliance.org</u> with any questions concerning the upcoming program.