

Delegates' Invitation for

EIC AUTUMN GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2025

and WORKSHOP on

Boosting the 'Team Europe' Approach for Global Gateway

Transport Infrastructure Funding

on 09-10 October 2025

in Vienna, Austria



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Invitation to EIC AUTUMN 2025 CONFERENCE on 09-10 October 2025 in Vienna, Austria

Dear Madam, Sir,

EIC and its Austrian Member Federation, VIBÖ (Vereinigung Industrieller Bauunternehmungen Österreichs) are pleased to invite you to the EIC Autumn 2025 General Assembly and Workshop on ***'Boosting the Team Europe Approach for Global Gateway Transport Infrastructure Funding'*** which shall take place on:

09 - 10 October 2025 in Vienna, Austria

at the Hotel Imperial Riding School, Autograph Collection
Ungargasse 60, 1030 Vienna, Austria
>> [location on the map](#)

Our conference venue will be the 4* ***"Hotel Imperial Riding School "*** which is named after its origins as a 19th century military equestrian school. This historic building has been transformed into a grand hotel located in Vienna's 3rd municipal district (called 'Landstraße') adorned with a wealth of landmarks and historical sites that reflect the area's vibrant history and culture. VIBÖ and EIC have blocked a contingent of 80 Deluxe King Rooms for the night of 09-10 October, 30 Deluxe King Rooms for the night 10-11 October and 10 Deluxe King Rooms for the night 11-12 October 2025 at the Hotel Imperial Riding School at special rate of 239 Euro per night (single use) or 263 Euro per night (double use) including breakfast, VAT and fees. Upgrades are optionally available for the following additional fees: Deluxe Family and Superior Room (+ € 40), Junior Suite (+ € 150). Free cancellation is possible until 48 hours prior to arrival.

In order to benefit from this special rate, please make your **room reservation at your earliest convenience and by 18 September 2025 at the latest** directly via the following **Booking Link**. Please be informed that the conference hotel will release 50% of the reserved rooms back into the regular sale by 18 September 2025, the remainder of the reserved rooms will be released by 25 September 2025. All hotel rooms will be given away on a 'first come, first serve' basis. Once all rooms have been booked, further rooms will be subject to availability and individual conditions may apply.

The EIC Autumn Conference 2025 will commence in the evening of **Thursday**, 09 October 2025, with a **Welcome Reception** from **18:30 – 19:30 hrs.** in the conference hotel, either at the Elstar restaurant or at the Elstar Garden on the ground floor. As usual, this opening event will provide for excellent networking opportunities to interact with fellow international contractors, associated company members, speakers, sponsors, and invited guests.

At **19:30 hrs.** participants will proceed by bus to the traditional **Conference Dinner** which takes place from **20:00 – 23:00 hrs.** at the imposing Palace of Justice (Justizpalast). The palace was built between 1875 and 1881 in the neo-Renaissance style and it captivates with its magnificent architecture and the grand staircase crowned by a glass dome. Located on the top floor is the **Justiz Café** which will be exclusively reserved for our festive Conference Dinner. From its terrace, we can enjoy a panoramic view over the rooftops of Vienna, extending all the way to St. Stephen's Cathedral. Buses will return to the hotel at approximately 23:00 hrs.

The **Working Programme** starts on **Friday** morning, 10 October 2025, at **09:00 hrs.** with a **Workshop** dedicated to the theme of '**Boosting the 'Team Europe' Approach for Global Gateway Transport Infrastructure Funding**'. The objective of this Workshop is to facilitate a better understanding of the consultation process between the European Commission, the European Investment Bank (EIB) and European Development Finance Institutions in relation to Global Gateway-related transport infrastructure projects and how the EU Institutions interpret their role as 'Team Europe' members. The Workshop also aims at developing a closer collaboration between public decision makers and the private sector to identify transport infrastructure projects in partner countries which are in the EU's interest, maximise European content and provide for an attractive risk-reward profile.

The **Internal General Assembly** will be held on Friday **from 14:00 hrs. to 15:15 hrs.** Delegates are requested to stay on for this programme to familiarise themselves with the latest EIC lobbying activities.

For the **Accompanying Persons' Programme** on **Friday** from **09:00 hrs. to appr. 15:00 hrs.**, VIBÖ has organised a visit to the Upper Belvedere, a magnificent Baroque palace that now serves as a renowned art museum. Originally built as the summer residence of Prince Eugene of Savoy, the Belvedere is today one of Austria's cultural treasures; a particular highlight is Gustav Klimt's iconic painting 'The Kiss'. Following lunch at in the city centre at the renowned restaurant „Feinkosterei“, the group will take a short walk to Hofburg Palace to visit the Imperial Treasury, which houses extraordinary treasures such as the Imperial Crown of the Holy Roman Empire and the regalia of the Habsburg dynasty.

For participants who can stay on after the conference, VIBÖ has kindly organised an optional **Post-Conference Dinner on Friday evening** at the **Plachutta restaurant**, at Wollzeile 38 in the city's 1st District, which is renowned for its refined interpretation of traditional Austrian cuisine. The restaurant is especially famous for its Tafelspitz, widely regarded as the finest in the world. An additional fee of **125 € per person** applies, incl. all expenses and transfer.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Please register online on our conference website under [Registration](#) until 30 September 2025 for the EIC Conference in Vienna. Kindly note that you will require a Members Account* and a credit card to complete your registration.

CONFERENCE WEBSITE

Please check regularly our [Conference Website](#), as it will provide continuous updates of the Conference programme, the Workshop Programme and the Workshop speakers.

CONFERENCE FEE

The **Conference Fee of 350 €** (excluding VAT) will apply and will be charged upon registration to your credit card. This fee does not apply to Accompanying Persons and the Member Federation Permanent Officials.

OPTIONAL POST-CONFERENCE FEE

An **additional fee of 125 € per person** will be invoiced on a **cost-sharing (tax free) basis** upon your registration to your credit card for the optional Post-Conference Dinner in order to cover for related costs.

*If you do not have an account yet, please contact info@eic-federation.eu for assistance.

EIC and VIBÖ look very much forward to welcoming you for EIC's Autumn 2025 Conference on 09-10 October 2025 in Vienna!

With best regards,

European International Contractors



Frank Kehlenbach
Director

Enclosures

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME**EIC Autumn Conference 09-10 October 2025 in Vienna***at the 'Hotel Imperial Riding School, Autograph Collection'***Thursday, 09 October 2025**

16:00 – 18:30 hrs.	Conference Registration & Name Badge Pick Up Hotel Imperial Riding School
18:30 – 19:30 hrs.	Welcome & Networking Reception Hotel Imperial Riding School, Elstar Restaurant or The Garden, ground floor
19:30 - 20:00 hrs.	Bus Transfer to Conference Dinner venue - -buses leave at 19:30 hrs. from the hotel entrance
20:00 - 23:00 hrs.	Conference Dinner Justiz Café at the Palace of Justice
23:00 hrs	Buses return to hotel

Friday, 10 October 2025

08:30 - 09:00 hrs.	Welcome Coffee Hotel Imperial Riding School Venue: "Marmorfoyer", 1 st floor
09:00 - 13:00 hrs.	Workshop on Boosting the 'Team Europe' Approach for Global Gateway Transport Infrastructure Funding Venue: "Reitschule 1 + 2", 1 st floor
13:00 - 14:00 hrs.	Working Lunch Venue: Elstar restaurant, ground floor
14:00 – 15:15 hrs.	EIC Internal General Assembly (Delegates only) Venue: "Reitschule", ground floor
09:00 – 15:00 hrs.	Accompanying persons' event: Visit of the Upper Belvedere Museum with Klimt's "The Kiss". Lunch at "Feinkosterei" followed by visit to Hofburg Palace and the Imperial Treasury.
18:30 - 22:30 hrs.	Post-conference dinner at Plachutta restaurant Meeting point at the Lobby of the Imperial Riding School, or directly at 19:00 hrs. at the Plachutta, Wollzeile 38, 1010 Vienna

WORKSHOP PROGRAMME**EIC Autumn Workshop 10 October 2025 in Vienna*****Boosting the 'Team Europe' Approach for Global Gateway Transport Infrastructure Funding***

09:00 – 09:10 hrs.	<i>Gustavo Martínez</i> EIC President	Opening Remarks
09:10 – 09:30 hrs.	Key-note speech	Global Gateway as EU Response to Geopolitical and Geo-economic Challenges
09:30 – 11:00 hrs.	Understanding the EU Perspective on the 'Team Europe' Approach for Sustainable Transport Infrastructure	
09:30 – 09:45 hrs.	<i>Luís Martí</i> Co-chair Global Gateway BAG Transport Subgroup	Recommendations of the GG BAG Transport Subgroup for Ensuring a Level Playing Field for EU Contractors
09:45 – 09:55 hrs.	<i>Sergio Oliete-Josa</i> Head of Infrastructure Unit EC DG INTPA	Team Europe Approach for Transport Infrastructure Projects in Sub-Sahara Africa and Latin America
09:55 – 10:10 hrs.	<i>Marta Brites</i> Team Leader Western Balkans Investment Framework (WBIF) EC DG ENEST	Team Europe Approach for Transport Infrastructure Projects in the Eastern Neighbourhood
10:10 – 10:25 hrs.	<i>Alaleh Motamedi</i> Head of Procurement, EIB	Strategic Procurement for Tendering EIB-financed Transport Infrastructure Projects
10:25 – 11:00 hrs.	INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION	
11:00 – 11:30 hrs.	COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING	
11:30 – 12:55 hrs.	Best Practice Recommendations for the 'Team Europe' Approach for Sustainable Transport Infrastructure	
11:30 – 11:45 hrs.	<i>N.N.</i> Meridiam	Lessons Learned from Financing Sustainable Mobility outside of the EU
11:45 – 12:00 hrs.	<i>Max Jensen</i> Director Mobility EIB Projects Directorate	An Overview on EIB Transport Infrastructure Finance in the non-EU Regions
12:00 – 12:15 hrs.	<i>N.N.</i> <i>AFD and/or DANIDA</i>	The Role of European Development Financing Institutions in Promoting the Global Gateway Strategy
12:15 – 12:25 hrs.	<i>Lara Muller</i> Director Public Sector Invest International	Strategies for Creating a Win-Win Situation for Team Europe and European Business
12:25 – 12:55 hrs.	INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION	
12:55 – 13:00	<i>Gustavo Martínez</i> EIC President	Closing Remarks

04. HOTEL INFORMATION

4* Imperial Riding School, Autograph Collection

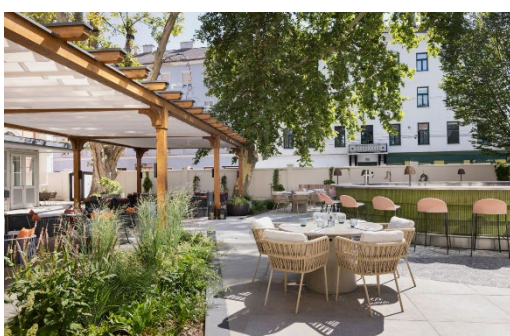
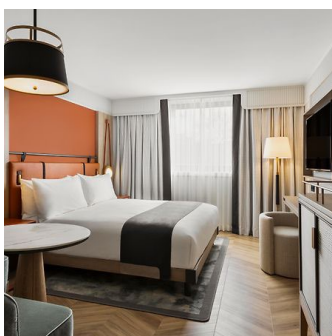
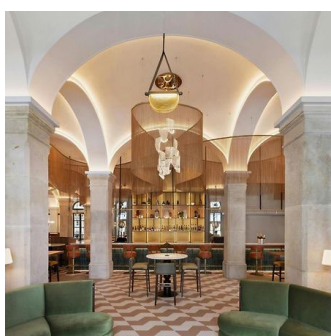
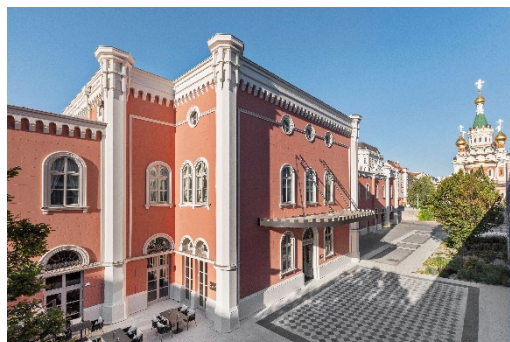
Ungargasse 60, 1030 Vienna, Austria

Web: [Imperial Riding School](#)

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Booking procedure

Please make your **room reservation as soon as possible and by 18 September 2025 at the latest** via the following **direct [Booking Link](#)**.

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Kindly be informed that by 18 September 2025, 50% of the rooms will be reduced, and by 25 September 2025 the rest of the room block will be released into hotel sales.

About the hotel

Evolving from a 19th century military equestrian school to the city's largest cinema, this historic building has always been a defining part of Vienna's cultural landscape. Located in the artistic Landstraße district, the Hotel Imperial Riding School, Autograph Collection is surrounded by architectural fascinations, but stands out for its harmonious blend of aristocratic and bohemian characteristics. Inside, you'll find nods to the regal equestrian heritage, from the stable-inspired floors to the plethora of apple delights, plucked from the orchard that pays tribute to the school's founder, Emperor Franz Joseph I. The hotel provides amenities such as a fitness room, an indoor pool, sauna and steaming bath, as well as a garden restaurant and bar.