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Practical information note

The Fifth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament will be held in the Plenary Hall (M building) of the United Nations Office in Vienna (UNOV) from 19 to 21 August 2020. The Conference is organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), in close cooperation with the United Nations, and hosted by the Parliament of Austria. All arrangements for the event are being made under the guidance of a Preparatory Committee composed of Speakers of Parliament and members of the IPU Executive Committee.

This note provides practical information with regard to visa applications for Austria and hotel accommodation.

Immigration formalities – visas

Austria is a member of the Schengen Area.

Delegates requiring an entry visa to Austria must obtain it from the Austrian consulate, embassy or diplomatic mission responsible for the necessary arrangements in the delegates' country of residence. More information is available at www.bmeia.gv.at/en/travel-stay/entry-and-residence-in-austria/entry-and-visa/schengen-visa).

As the visa application process can take some time, all delegates are advised to submit their visa applications as soon as possible.

Hotel accommodation

The Austrian Parliament has made some provisional block bookings in hotels in Vienna (see annex for more information), both in the city centre and close to the Conference venue.

August is a particularly busy month for hotels in Vienna. Delegates are therefore advised to make their hotel reservations as soon as possible. Those delegations from countries with an Embassy or Permanent Mission in Vienna are invited to contact them, as they are accustomed to receiving delegations to UN meetings and handling hotel reservations.

In keeping with the practice of hotels in Vienna, only reservations made with a credit card guarantee will be confirmed.

