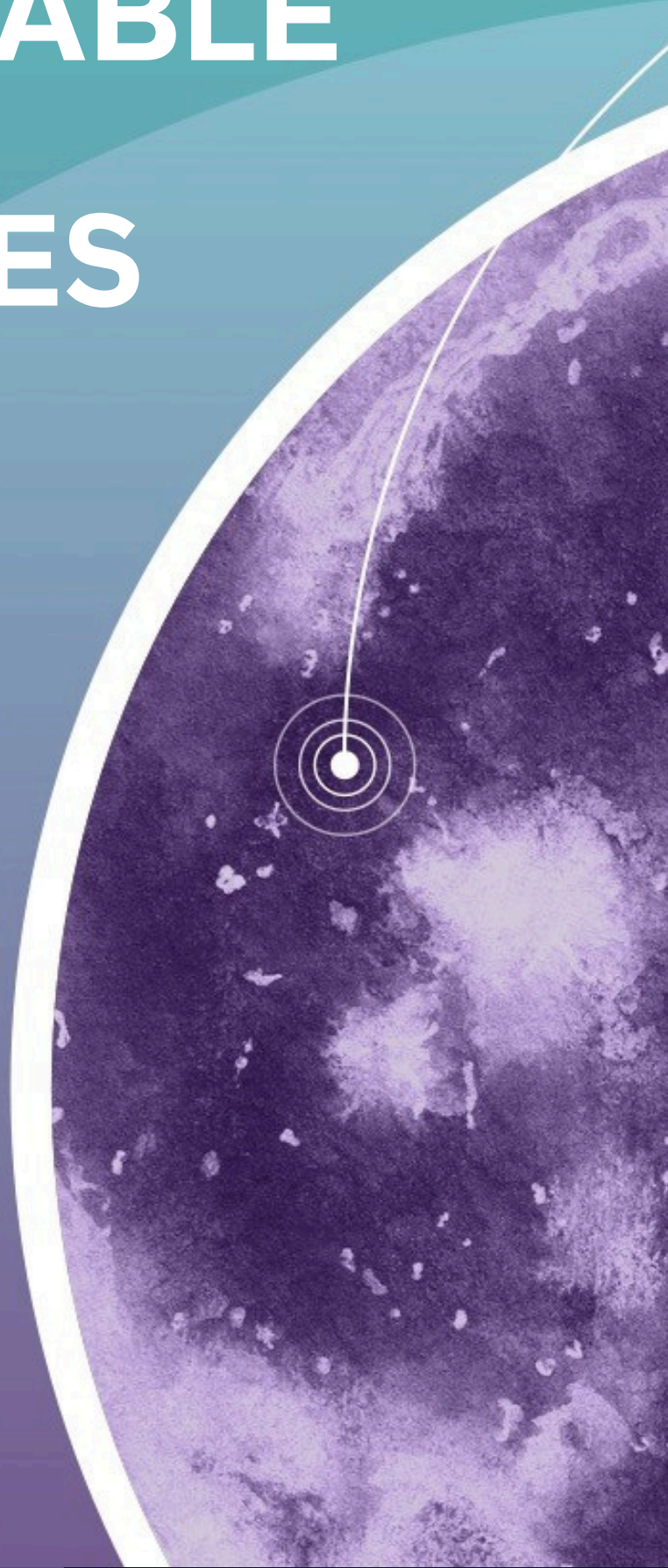


UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE LUNAR ACTIVITIES

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Information
booklet



About the conference

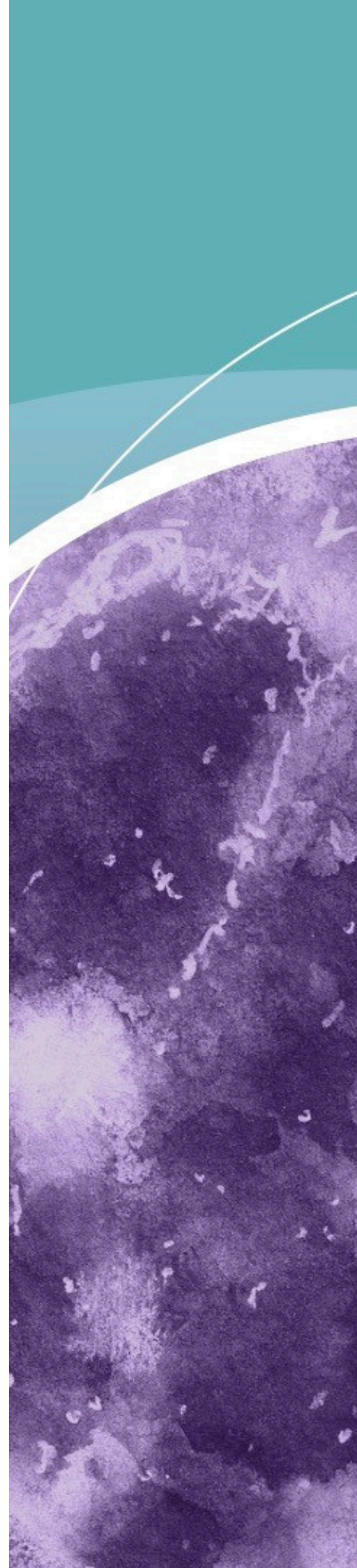
In 1969, 650 million people watched the first moon landing live. While that was a unique event, moon missions are no longer such a rare occurrence. The number of moon missions is expected to increase tremendously over the next few years with participation by both public and private entities. Against this background we are confronted with the inevitable question of how to ensure such activities are conducted in a safe and sustainable manner.

UPHOLDING THE BASIC PRINCIPLE

Since its inception, the intergovernmental Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS) has continued to develop global governance of outer space affairs and upholding the fundamental principle of the Outer Space Treaty, which recalls that "the exploration and use of outer space, including the Moon and other celestial bodies, shall be carried out for the benefits and in the interests of all countries". COPUOS has seen different initiatives addressing aspects of lunar operations. This includes the Working Group on the Legal Aspects of Space Resources, and a more recent proposal to establish an Action Team on Lunar Activities Consultation (ATLAC).

UNDERSTANDING COMMON APPROACHES AND FOSTERING DIALOGUE

Leading the multilateral dialogue on international lunar collaboration and governance, this conference aims to support Member States by convening heads of space agencies, scientific and legal experts, and relevant stakeholders from both the public and private sector, to understand the common approaches, complexities, and challenges to lunar activities, as well as identify possible avenues for global coordination, which is a prerequisite for sustainable, future lunar activities.



1. VENUE

The conference will take place at:	Vienna International Centre (VIC) C-building, 4th floor, Boardroom-D (BR-D)
Address:	Wagramer Strasse 5 1400, Vienna, Austria
How to reach the VIC:	https://www.unov.org/unov/en/vic.html



Note: The conference will take place at the Vienna International Centre (VIC). Do not confuse with the Austria Centre Vienna (ACV) which is located nearby.

2. APPLICATION FOR GROUND PASS

For security reasons, a valid ground pass is necessary for admittance to the VIC. **It is the responsibility of the participant to apply for a ground pass via the online registration system no later than 14 June 2024 13:00 (CEST).** You will receive an email from unodc-conferenceregistration@un.org in the next few days. Please check your spam folder if you have not received it. To speed up the registration process and avoid unnecessary queuing for you on the actual day, please upload your photograph (jpg format), following the instructions on the email. Based on your photo-upload, your ground pass will be printed in advance for your collection on the actual day. You will not be able to enter VIC without a valid ground pass. You will receive an automated confirmation email upon successful upload of your photo.

If you have not received an email to apply for ground pass by 4 June 2024, please inform us immediately.

3. COLLECTION OF GROUND PASS

Upon arrival at VIC, please proceed to Gate 1, pass through security check and stop at the "Preprinted Conference Passes" counter to collect your ground pass. Registration begins at 8:15am. As a large crowd is expected, **participants should arrive at the VIC at least one hour before the start of the conference.** Participants should provide an appropriate form of state-issued photo identification at the entrance, such as a passport.

4. ACCOMMODATION

Participants are responsible for arranging their own accommodation. The UN does not provide or recommend hotel accommodation. A list of hotels in Vienna can be found online. The three nearest hotels accessible within 10 minutes walking time are Arcotel Kaiserwasser, NH Danube City and Melia Vienna. There are many more options in the city centre which are easily accessible by subway within 10 minutes or by taxi.

5. VISA

Participants are responsible for obtaining their visas and passports to travel to Austria. Please refer to the "Visaliste (englisch)" document on the website of the Federal Ministry of the Interior for list of countries which require visa:

https://www.bmi.gv.at/202/Fremdenpolizei_und_Grenzkontrolle/Visumpflichtige_Laender/start.aspx

6. AIRPORT

Vienna International Airport (German: Flughafen Wien-Schwechat, IATA: VIE, ICAO: LOWW) is the international airport of Vienna.

7. TRANSPORT FROM/TO VIENNA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Vienna Airport Lines (Bus): The Vienna Airport Lines operates on an hourly basis, seven days a week from 7:00 - 20:00 from the airport to the VIC. The VIC bus station is located on Wagramer Strasse right in front of VIC Gate 1. The trip lasts approximately 40 minutes. The Vienna Airport Lines also serves other locations in Vienna. For a detailed bus schedule, please visit: <https://www.viennaairportlines.at/en/>

City Airport Train (CAT): The City Airport Train links the airport to the 'Wien Mitte' terminal in the city centre. The trip takes about 16 minutes. For further information regarding the CAT, please visit: <https://www.cityairporttrain.com/en/home>

Public city train: The public city train (German: Schnellbahn or S-Bahn, lit. "Fast-train") line 7 (S7) links the airport to several stations in Vienna from where participants can use the subway network to reach their hotel or other locations. Further information regarding the S-Bahn can be obtained at: <https://www.vor.at/en/>

Taxi: Taxis may be reserved at <https://www.flughafentaxi-wien.at/en/>. Alternatively, participants may take the regular taxi at the exit of the airport arrival hall.

8. CURRENCY

The currency used in Austria is the Euro (Code: EUR, Symbol: €)

9. COMMUNICATION

The international dialling code for Austria is: (+43).

Local service providers operate on the 5G (and below) network standard.

Free Wi-Fi is available in VIC.

10. POWER SUPPLY

230-volt, 50 Hz power supply is used in Austria for standard domestic and business purposes. Hotels generally provide wall sockets for the Austria-wide used two-pin plugs (Type C and F).

11. EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police: 133

Fire department: 122

Ambulance: 144

12. VIENNA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE (VIC)

The VIC - also known as 'UNO City' - was designed by Austrian architect Johann Staber and built between 1973 and 1979 just north of the Danube River. The initial idea of setting up an international organization in Vienna came from the Chancellor of Austria Dr. Bruno Kreisky.

Six Y-shaped office towers surround a cylindrical conference building for a total floor area of 230,000 square metres. The highest tower ("A Building") stands 127 metres tall, enclosing 28 floors. These office towers were among the first modern skyscrapers to be built in Austria.

The United Nations Information Service (UNIS) Visitors Service offers guided tours of the VIC in various languages during weekdays. Please visit the website for booking and pricing information: https://unis.unvienna.org/unis/en/visitors_service/index.html

13. CITY OF VIENNA

Vienna is the capital, cultural, economic, and political centre of Austria. Vienna is famous for its rich cultural and historical heritage that can be sampled in the 100 museums or just by strolling the streets of the old city centre that belongs to the UNESCO world cultural heritage. Vienna is also known as one of the music capitals of the world. For more information about what to see and do in Vienna, please visit the city's official website: <https://www.wien.info/en>

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