

FOR APAC INTERNATIONAL AUSTRIAN EU SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

LONG VERSION

**Paris-Reims-Brussels-Leuven-
Heidelberg-Salzburg-Vienna
12 July – 8 August 2025**

**Honorable University Presidents, Dear Professors, Dear Students,
Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Friends!**

**A Warm Welcome to our
FOR APAC International Austrian EU Summer School 2025!**

The Forum Asia Pacific (FOR APAC) continues the long Summer School tradition of the former Chinese Studies Center at the Paris Lodron University of Salzburg (PLUS), which, together with the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU), has initiated its Chinese-Austrian-EU Summer School for students from higher education institutions from China in 2002.

Three years ago, the former Chinese Studies Center was transformed into the Forum Asia Pacific to include more countries from the Asia-Pacific region and strengthen scientific aspects of teaching and research projects in this field.

During the two Covid-years from 2021 to 2022, we held ONLINE Summer Schools, which were well received by students from our Chinese partner universities, and other institutions in China and other countries. In 2023, we were finally able to hold an on-site summer school again, with students from all across the world.

This year, we will hold our Summer School –called “FOR APAC INTERNATIONAL AUSTRIAN EU SUMMER SCHOOL” on-place and hope to welcome many students not only from the Asia-Pacific region, but also beyond this region, in order to promote a broader exchange between students from different parts of the world.

We hope that we will attract many students from diverse countries to engage with important topics of our globalized world.

The FOR APAC INTERNATIONAL AUSTRIAN EU SUMMER SCHOOL 2025 offers a new program this year: This program will take place in Paris and Reims (France), Brussels and Leuven (Belgium), Heidelberg (Germany), Salzburg and Vienna (Austria) from July 12th to August 8th 2025.

During this Summer School, we will convey knowledge for a more profound understanding of Europe in various fields, European culture and ways of thinking from different perspectives and different worldviews, including philosophy, psychology, politics, economics, history, natural sciences, literature, music, arts, etc., but also explore specific outcomes of current research and very topical issues like climate change and intercultural communication, as well as provide analysis and reflections on those features and the current global situation.

For a more detailed insight into our lectures, please have a look at the attached program.

We sincerely hope that the new version of our Summer School in the frame of FOR APAC will awaken your interest and that of your students.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming your students to our exciting journey in Europe!

Sincerely yours,

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Please note: Since all the lectures will be held in English, having a good proficiency of written and spoken English (B2) is a basic prerequisite for participation. Responsible contact persons from our member institutions should make sure that the English language abilities of the selected students are meeting this minimum requirement.



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For the Summer School, you will receive 5 ECTS points.

The minimum requirements for course completion are as follows:

- ☆ Successful completion of the examinations of the lectures
- ☆ Attendance of the total official program (lectures, excursions & visits):
 - ★ 25 lectures
 - ★ 5 group excursions
 - ★ 8 visits
- ☆ Additionally:
 - ★ Preparatory reading for the Summer School: Stefan Zweig: “Decisive Moments in History”
 - ★ Final essay (min. 800 words – max. 1200 words).

Nomination

If your university is interested in nominating students and sending an application list to us, we kindly ask you to nominate a contact person / coordinator.

In this case, please kindly send an Excel list of the nominated students (in alphabetical order) to the following e-mail address: summerschool@plus.ac.at before the application deadline.

Application

- ☆ Each student has to apply online individually in any case.
- ☆ Please apply through the following link:
https://axapp.sbg.ac.at/ords/f?p=1430:sommerschule_europe_for_apac

Deadlines

Application deadline: 1st of April 2025

Payment deadline: 15th of April 2025

Cost

The costs for the long version of the Summer School amount to 3.888,-Euro.

Each price includes costs for accommodation (including breakfast), bus transfers in Europe, lecture fees, excursion and entrance fees, overhead costs and insurance fees. You will receive our bank information after confirming your application.

Cancellation Fees

If you wish to cancel your participation in the Summer School, please send us a short e-mail with a brief explanation of the reason.

If a student decides to drop out after the 15th of April 2025 but before the 30th of April 2025, we will withhold 25% of the costs.

For any drop out between the 1st and the 31st of May 2025, we will claim 50% of the program costs.

After the 31st of May, we are claiming a 100% cancellation fee.

Realization of the Summer School

Our university reserves the right of the final interpretation.

The program is subject to change.

A minimum number of participants is required for the summer school to take place. There is also a maximum number of participants. Therefore, please note that the first come, first served principle applies.

We are looking forward to your replies and a successful cooperation in the frame of the FOR APAC International Austrian EU Summer School 2025.

You will receive further information after the application deadline.

If you have questions, please contact:

summerschool@plus.ac.at