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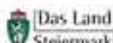
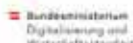
# EUROSKILLS

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MESSE CONGRESS GRAZ

MEDIA GUIDE



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# Austria´s beating heart awaits you

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As the hosts of **EuroSkills 2020**, we very much look forward to welcoming you to Graz in **JANUARY 2021!**

For Austria, **EuroSkills 2020** is a matter close to the heart. Austria has been participating in Skills Competitions for more than 50 years, thereby offering young, skilled workers the opportunity to compete with others in a professional contest.

Austria's second biggest city - **Graz** - offers the ability to look back to a historic, respected and loved past and awaits a vibrant, popular and dynamic future.

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# Media registration

The EuroSkills2020 team looks forward to hosting media attending EuroSkills 2020 in Graz, Austria.

The event will be held at the Messe Congress Graz,

**06.-10.01.2021**

This guide will assist you in planning your trip to Graz to apply for media accreditation to cover the event.

Every effort will be made to ensure journalists have all the appropriate facilities necessary to work at the event.

By sending the media registration form to

[communication@euroskills2020.at](mailto:communication@euroskills2020.at)

you will receive all information for the online registration system.

**All Media and member state MarCom employees**, who want to have access to mediacenter, must apply for media accreditation through the online registration system.

Accreditation will be granted to professional journalists and photographers and member state MarCom employees only.

With the registration process you also can purchase your accommodation package - please be aware that you book your package as soon as possible due to a first come first serve principle.

## **Deadlines of registration process**

- Registration from December 2019 to 7 November 2020
- Booking media packages: 1 June 2020 to 7 November 2020
  - Payment Packages: 16. November 2020

## **Registration process consists of 3 steps**

- Filling in the media registration form and sending to [communication@euroskills2020.at](mailto:communication@euroskills2020.at) (15 December 2019 to 15 August 2020)
- Receiving all information for the online registration system
- Registration in the EuroSkills 2020 registration system until 7 November 2020

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# Visa application

Austria is part of the Schengen Area, which agreed on the abolition of border controls between themselves and on common visa regulations.

By applying for an Austrian Visa, a foreigner applies for so-called Schengen Visa which allows him/her to travel inside of the Schengen Area without any restrictions. Schengen Visa holders do not need additional special visa for Austria.

For countries that need VISA to travel to Austria, please see the following link

[www.bmeia.gv.at/en/travel-stay/entry-and-residence-in-austria/entry-and-visa/Media](http://www.bmeia.gv.at/en/travel-stay/entry-and-residence-in-austria/entry-and-visa/Media)

Media representatives requiring an official invitation letter must return the completed visa form to [communication@euroskills2020.at](mailto:communication@euroskills2020.at) no later than **September 15, 2020.**

Please note that an official invitation letter will only be provided to approved media representatives.



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# Media center

Messe Congress Graz Convention and Exhibition Centre will host  
[EuroSkills2020](#).

The Messe Congress is in excellent reach between city center and feeder road Graz-Ost and offers – besides the proximity of the picturesque historic center and top of the line hotels – an impressive infrastructure.

The Stadthalle Graz is the biggest convertible hall of the city. But also one of the most modern in Europe.

The media facilities at the [press center](#) are fully equipped with work desks for more than 150 persons, power outlets, wired and wireless internet, TV, printing station, screens and lockers.

A comfortable media lounge with fine refreshments will welcome you!



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# Graz

## a congenial host

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With more than 850 years of history, Graz has a wealth of attractions for visitors to enjoy.

As the largest medieval old town in Europe and recognized **UNESCO world heritage site**, it is also set to host EuroSkills2020.

With practicality in mind, the venue itself is a stone's throw from the old town and offers excellent public transport connections.

The combination of the state of the art modern facilities, old town culture and excellent transport links will mean that **EuroSkills2020** will truly be an event that the whole of Graz takes into its welcoming heart.

# Useful information

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## Transportation

An extensive public transportation network makes Graz an easy city to navigate without a car.

### Train

From the main train station (Hauptbahnhof), regional trains link to most of Styria. Direct trains also run to most major cities nearby as to Slovenia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Italy, Germany or Switzerland.

### Plane

Graz Airport is about 10 kilometres south of the city centre and has a railway station within walking distance.

### Car

The A9, runs north-south through Graz. The A2, just south of the city, runs east-west. Vienna (Wien) is 198 km (2hrs) up the A2 to the east.

## Climate

The weather in Graz is mediterranean influenced. Graz lies in a basin that only opens to the south, causing the climate to be warmer than would be expected at that latitude.

## Language

The official language in Austria is German.

## Currency

The Austrian currency unit is Euro (EUR) divided in 100 cents.

## Electricity

The electricity current in Austria is 220 Volt. A two pin plug system is used.

## Banks

Banks are open Monday to Friday from about 8:30-12:30 and 14:30-16:00. Cash counters are at nearly every bank and on public places.

## Credit cards

All major credit cards are accepted in Austria.



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