



We would like to cordially invite to the conference Wild Clocks: Ecology meets Chronobiology, Vienna, August 29 - September 02 2021.

After some hesitation due to the Covid-19 pandemic we now, with the perspective of vaccination in sight, feel confident that the meeting can take place as planned. The venue of the conference is the Hotel Schloss Wilhelminenberg overlooking Vienna, next to the Research Institute of Wildlife Ecology.

The topic of this meeting remains unchanged: “For chronobiologists to understand the significance, function and evolution of endogenous clocks, they must turn to richer natural environment(s), where abiotic and biotic factors impose significant adaptive challenges that are integral to a species' ecological niche. Conversely, ecologists often have not considered the profound innate temporal programming that organisms undergo, including rhythmic changes in gene expression and physiological capacity, that regulates their responses to diverse perturbations.” To bring these two groups together is the goal of this conference series

Early next year, our website will be up and running, you will receive a link. There you will find more details on the conference proceedings, room reservation, conference fees and the possibility to register for a subsequent bird-watching excursion at Lake Neusiedl, east of Vienna.

Please spread the word about this meeting and forward this message to anyone who might be interested. Looking forward to see you in Vienna in 2021. Meanwhile, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

The organizers

Thomas Ruf, Claudia Bieber and Walter Arnold

¹Schwartz, W. Helm B., Gerkema MP (2017) Wild clocks: preface and glossary. The Royal Society

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