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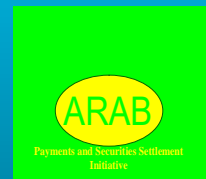


BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS



GLOBAL PAYMENTS WEEK 2008

VIENNA, AUSTRIA
SEPTEMBER 9-12, 2008



GENERAL INFORMATION BOOKLET

SPONSOR

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LOCATION OF THE EVENT

Grand Hotel, Vienna.
Vienna, Austria

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WORKING LANGUAGES

English, with simultaneous translation into Arab, Russian and Spanish.

WEATHER

Temperate with an average of 20°C (68°F).

RECOMMENDED HOTELS**Grand Hotel Vienna**

Fares: Single 220 Euro, Double 240 Euro. (buffet breakfast 30 Euro per person).

Ring Hotel Vienna

Fares: Single 200 Euro, Double 220 Euro. (buffet breakfast 30 Euro per person).

Sofitel Vienna

Fares: Single/Double 142 Euro (breakfast included)

NH Vienna Airport

Fares: Single 126 Euro, Double 145 Euro. (Breakfast included)

AIRPORT – HOTEL – AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION

The transfer to/from the Hotel will not be provided by the organization.

RESERVATIONS

In order to obtain the above mentioned fares, negotiated by the Organizers for this particular event, reservations must be made before the mandatory deadlines below specified. Please contact the hotels directly as follows, specifying your participation in the World Bank event:

For the **Grand Hotel** and the **Ring Hotel**

Ms. Michaela Wehrschoetz

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www.grandhotelwien.com

www.theringhotel.com

www.jjwhotels.com/en/luxury

Block reservation for the participants at the event will expire on **July 15, 2008**. After that date there is no guarantee of availability for a room in these hotels.

For the **Sofitel Vienna**

Mr. Markus GOETZ

Reservations Manager

SOFITEL VIENNA

Am Heumarkt 35-37, A-1030 Wien

Tel: +43.1.716 16 - 812

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E-Mail: h1276@accor.com

www.sofitel-vienna.com

Block reservation for the participants at the event will expire on **July 15, 2008**. After that date there is no guarantee of availability for a room in this hotel.

For the **NH Vienna Airport Hotel**

Ms. Jutta Luser

NH Vienna Airport

Hotelstrasse 1 – 3

A-1300 Flughafen Wien

Tel: + 43 1 70151 9530

Fax: + 43 1 70151 9539

rsv1.nhviennaairport@nh-hotels.com

Block reservation for the participants at the event will expire on **July 25, 2008**. After that date there is no guarantee of availability for a room in this hotel.

Reservation for the Grand Hotel, Ring Hotel and Sofitel Vienna can be done contacting directly the hotels, providing personal information and credit card details.

Reservation for the NH Vienna Airport, can be done sending the attached form directly to the hotel.

Please send the registration form to the coordinators on your reservation and contact them if you need assistance.

DRESS CODE

The dress code for the event is formal.

VISA

In case you are requested so, please apply for the required visa. **Please contact the coordinators if you need assistance.**

CURRENCY AND EXCHANGE RATES

Euro is the legal currency in Austria. The symbol is EUR. The present exchange rate is 1 Euro / 1.58 USD. You can verify the updated exchange rate in the website:

<http://www.ecb.int/stats/exchange/eurofxref/html/index.en.html>

PARTICIPATION TO SWIFT SIBOS

SWIFT extends an invitation and will waive the registration fee to Sibos 2008 (15-19 September, Vienna) **for one person per institution** attending The World Bank Payments Week (8-12 September, Vienna).

To register, please follow the next steps:

- 1) Click on the following link or paste it the address bar of your browser:
<http://www.delegate.com/swift/sibos/2008/display.php?PHPSESSID=ttoin9edl8gm62lmtq6eem2r02&view=1>
- 2) Insert in the first field the special code: **WB2008**
- 3) Click on "New Registration"
- 4) Fill in the required form online

In case of any question, please contact Mr. Bart Frederix at SWIFT (Bart.FREDERIX@swift.com)

Please indicate below to us if you are the designated representative of your institution attending the Sibos conference

YES, I WILL ATTEND THE SIBOS CONFERENCE ON BEHALF OF MY INSTITUTION

REGISTRATION FORM

Payments Week

Vienna, Austria

September 9-12, 2008

Please fill the form out and send it to the Coordinators.

1. General Information		
First Name:		
Family Name (Surname):		
Position in your Institution:		
Name of the Institution:		
Mailing address:		
Telephone:	Fax:	E – Mail:
2. Accompanied by Family Members		
Name:	Relationship to participant:	
3. Flight plan		
Date of arrival:	Airline & Flight Number:	Time and date of Arrival:
Date of Departure:	Airline & Flight Number:	Time and date of Departure:
4. Hotel and Reservations		
Recommended Hotel:		
Grand Hotel Venna	Grand Hotel GmbH Kaerntner Ring 9 1010 Vienna, Austria Tel: +43 1 515 80-735 Fax: +43 1 515 13 10 www.grandhotelwien.com www.jjwhotels.com/en/luxury <u>Block reservation for the participants at the event will expire on July 15, 2008.</u> <u>After that date there is no guarantee of availability for a room in these hotels.</u>	
Ring Hotel Vienna	Ring Hotel GmbH Kaerntner Ring 8 A-1010 Vienna, Austria Phone: +43 1 22 1 22	

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Tuesday September 9 and Wednesday September 10

9.00 -17.00 Regional discussions

Thursday September 11

9.00 – 17.00 Plenary Session

Discussion on the recent developments on Payment and Security Settlement
Systems

20.00 Official dinner offered by the World Bank

Friday September 12

9.00 – 16.00 Launch of the Private and Public Sector Partnership on Remittances-General
discussion

A detailed agenda will be sent to the participants in the next weeks.

NH Vienna Airport

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www.nh-hotels.com * e-Mail: nhviennaairport@nh-hotels.com

Allotment Booking: “The World Bank” Res. Nr. 67.254.252

Company:	
Tel:	+
Fax:	+
E-Mail:	

Surname / Firstname	
Arrival date	
Departure date	

	Single room (1 person)	Double room (2 persons)
Standard	<input type="checkbox"/> EURO 126	<input type="checkbox"/> EURO 145

Payment:

Payment will be done directly on spot upon arrival; we accept all major credit cards or cash payment.

Guarantee:

We will hold the room until 6.00 p.m. on the day of arrival. In case of late arrival kindly give us your credit card number with exp. date.

Credit card number: _____ Exp. Date: __ / __

Cardholder: _____

Cancellation:

You can cancel the room free of charge till 6pm local time on arrival day.

In case of a No show / Non arrival without cancellation the first night will be charged.

The general terms and conditions of the NH Hoteles Austria GmbH apply.

We would like to inform you that we will hold this allotment till 25/07/2008. After this date we are not able to guarantee the availability of rooms.

Please note the company has booked 40 Standard rooms. If this allotment is full filled we automatically offer the next higher room category.

Thank you for your booking!

If you have any further questions, do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to welcome you in our hotel and remain with kind regards,