



Dear participants of the Congress East-West Wien 2022!

After a long delay, while waiting for a sign of relaxation in the current covid-19 situation there is now a new state of affairs. We had to withdraw from the contract for the rooms of the “Wiener Konzerthaus” at the beginning of June. The reason is the foresight that the hoped number of participants of 1500 people will not be fulfilled, neither now, nor next year. This means that the financial risk of having such large rooms available is no longer justified.

After June 4, 2021, we will have to pay half of the total costs as a cancellation fee - this amount is higher than the sum of the contributions paid up to now. Currently, we are trying to have the deposit repaid.

The person in charge of the “Konzerthaus” was not willing to reduce the contracts to smaller halls, so we have chosen to look for a more affordable alternative. There is a more suitable venue in the eastern suburbs of Vienna. We still have to clarify details and the decision will probably be made in the middle of July.

**We should like to emphasize that we are convinced of and stand by the decision to hold the Congress East-West Vienna 2022! As far as the circumstances make it at all possible, we will see each other in Vienna from June 4th to 6th, 2022 at Whitsun! We hope that you will remain loyal to us.**

We will publish an adapted version of the folder describing the congress by the beginning of October. So far we have not been able to find sponsors for the congress. We will continue our efforts to do so. At the moment we are only financially secure through the participation fees.

Positively speaking and carrying the responsibility ourselves we are patrons of a very special occasion on which we will strengthen the human-spirit-community here on earth, founded by Rudolf Steiner a hundred years ago. Even under the most adverse circumstances.

With warm regards and wishing you an enjoyable summer,

Wolfgang Schaffer, on behalf of the entire preparatory group  
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