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Report on Study Tour visit to Vienna, 5-9 October 2015

Programme

Monday 5 October

- 1000 Military Museum: tour of WW1 exhibit
- 1300 Vienna International Centre, overview: Renée Malnig, UN Office in Vienna
- 1500 Meeting, UNIDO: Mr Ravindra Wickremashinghe, Advocacy Unit
- 1600 Meeting, UNCITRAL: Ms Monika Canafoglia, Legal Officer
- 1900 Meeting, ACUNS members: Luftburg restaurant



Military Museum lobby

Arrival at Vienna International Centre

Dinner, Luftburg restaurant

Tuesday 6 October

- 0930 Meeting, CTBTO: Cormac O'Reilly, External Relations Officer
- 1130 Free time
- 1330 Meeting, Vienna Peace Museum: Dr Ali Ahmad, Director
- 1530 Meeting, Cafe Korb: Michael Platzer, Director ACUNS; GA Resolution on Femicide
- 1930 Dinner: Gasthaus Wild restaurant



"Return here at 1300 for Peace Museum!"



....but just time to ride the Reisenrad!



Michael Platzer, Cafe Korb

Wednesday 7 October

0900 Meeting, OSCE

- 0900 Presentation 'What is the OSCE?': Mr Shiv Sharma, External Affairs Unit
- 1000 Meeting: Joint session of OSCE Council and Forum for Security Cooperation; UNSCR 1325
- 1120 Presentation 'The OSCE's approach to conflict prevention and crisis management' Michael Raith, Operational Support Officer, Conflict Prevention Centre
- 1300 Meeting: Prof Dr Heinz Gärtner, Director, Austrian Institute for International Affairs
- 1400 Free time
- 1800 Dinner: Gmoakeller restaurant
- 1945 Concert: Wiener Kursalon



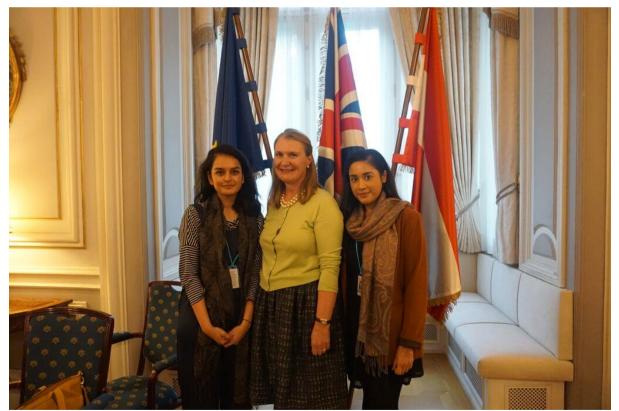
OSCE meeting at the Hofburg

The Kursolon's audience is ready!but the ord

...but the orchestra has yet to arrive!

Thursday 8 October

- 0930 Meeting, UNODC: Mr Jean-Luc Lemahieu, Director, Policy Analysis & Public Affairs
- 1030 Meeting, INCB: Stefano Berterame, Chief, Narcotics Control & Estimates Section
- 1130 Meeting, UNOOSA: Niklas Hedlin, Chief, Committee on Policy & Legal Affairs Section
- 1600 Meeting, Residence of UK Ambassador: HE Susan le Jeune d'Allegeershecque & her team
- 1830 Presentation, Hotel Magdas: Ariane-Theresa Gollia, Director
- 2000 Dinner at Xpedit restaurant



Meeting the UK ambassador at her residence

Friday 9 October

0930 Meeting, Vienna Diplomatic Academy: Dr Gerhard Sailler, Deputy Director

1030 Free time

1900 Farewell Dinner in Griechenbeisl restaurant



Meeting with Dr Gerhard Sailler



Farewell dinner at the historic Griechenbeisl restaurant

Several younger members of the Study Group were granted bursaries to assist their participation. UNA Westminster is grateful to the UNA London & South East Region Trust for its generous assistance in this and it also granted bursaries. The individual reports of those receiving bursaries will be posted on this site at a later date.

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