Dear Business Partners and Friends of ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA!

This is our first quarterly newsletter since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic and we hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy.

This has been a very trying time for all of us and we are working together to get to the light at the end of the tunnel. Although most of our team has been working from home the last several weeks, we are still working at full capacity to support you and your business during this time of uncertainty. We know you are busy with the necessary adjustments. If you need us we are here to support you by keeping you informed about relevant developments in your industry and the current COVID-19 situation, using our networks to facilitate new contacts, intervening in case of disruptions of your shipments, or other business activities.

Let us know what we can do to support you. Have a healthy and enjoyable summer and stay safe!

Peter Sedlmayer and the team of
ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA Chicago

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An interesting update for those of you flying to Vienna (Austrians or other citizens with a valid D visa for Austria):

Vienna Airport in cooperation with the company Confidence DNA Analysen GmbH now offers passengers the possibility to undergo molecular-biological COVID-19 testing (PCR test) directly on-site at the airport. The test findings will be available within about three hours. If the test turns out to be negative, the passenger does not have to stay in self-quarantine for 14 days after arriving in Austria. In this way, quarantine periods which have already been commenced can also be prematurely terminated. All information can be found at www.viennaairport.com/pcrtest.

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And here a brief update on the economic situation in Austria:

Austria’s domestic economy has been hit by the Coronavirus crisis as well but the country is set to regain its old export prowess, thanks to its economic resilience.

The global economic situation is weighing heavily on domestic budgets, economic activity, stock markets and manufacturing. The spread of the Coronavirus has of course imposed limits on commercial activity in Austria, too. International trading relationships have suffered and the country’s GDP growth has been hampered, although not as badly as in other economies.

As a result of the Coronavirus crisis, the EU Commission has thus drastically lowered projected growth for Austria and other EU states; according to these projected figures, Austria’s GDP is set to drop by 5.5% this year before bouncing back and expanding by 5% in 2021. A record drop of 7.7% is even anticipated for the Eurozone as a whole.
Austria is opening up – and “Red, White, Red” is making a comeback

The Austrian federal government has added additional easing to its exit schedule for a step-by-step relaxation of the shutdown imposed due to the Corona crisis.

With Austria having steered a successful course through the Corona crisis so far thanks to rigorous protective measures, the country is now slowly rebooting its economy; a certain degree of normality is now set to follow the social, communal, and medical shutdown.

eyeson is an Austrian company that has set itself the task of revolutionizing video conferencing by making use of top-quality audio and video via stable bandwidth – even for large groups.

With so many people holding meetings from their home office because of COVID-19, video conferencing technology that offers high-quality audio and video and uses a consistently low bandwidth to ensure that virtual meetings run without a hitch is more important than ever. Eyeson achieves this using patented real-time communications equipment with single-stream technology (SST). This means that up to 100 participants can be involved at a time, experiencing all the audio and video content and data streams at top quality.
AI tool is helping to make diagnoses and assess risk in cases of COVID-19

The AI chatbot tool manufactured by Austrian digital health company Symptoma is helping patients and doctors in their diagnostic work. User statistics and search queries suggest that the tool is now one of the most popular symptom-checkers in the world.

Smart online resource management helps avoid COVID-19 bottlenecks

Austrian company Solgenium has developed a dynamic HR and resources model for hospitals. Based on anticipated patient numbers, this web-based system enables users to predict how many additional staff will be required to treat patients infected with COVID-19.

EVENTS

JUNE 2020, CHICAGO

NeoConnect

NeoCon 2020 will be connecting the design community virtually and is launching NeoConnect in lieu of an in-person trade show.

The next NeoCon will take place between June 14 and 16, 2021.

SEPTEMBER 14-19, 2020

IMTS status undetermined

As of May 27, 2020, the status of IMTS remains to be determined. The International Machine Tool Show is scheduled to take place in Chicago's McCormick Place on September 14-19. Given current Covid-19 restrictions, the show organizers and local governments are still discussing if the show will go on.
will go ahead as planned or be cancelled or postponed.

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