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The 12th edition of the Austrian Cycling Summit is held under the general motto “cycling.connects”. This motto, which can be interpreted in many ways, was chosen deliberately to indicate that the topic cycling is indeed multifaceted.

In order to reflect this versatility in the program of the Cycling Summit, an open call for papers and posters was conducted. A high number of high-quality abstracts was submitted, and thus the participants of the Cycling Summit can look forward to over 50 interesting presentations. In addition, the bicycle-theft-workshop of the Urban Mobility Lab Graz, the Expo-area with a variety of exhibition booths of cycling-related companies and initiatives, as well as the poster / speeddating session offer plenty of possibilities for knowledge exchange and networking.

Keynotes: What connects Graz, Ljubljana, and Groningen?

This year’s keynote-speeches focus on cities – what connects them, what distinguishes them from each other, and what conclusions can we draw? Graz, Ljubljana and Groningen – three cities with similar framework conditions regarding inhabitants, built-up area, and topography – take noticeably different approaches when it comes to preparing suitable conditions for bicycle transport. Insights into the past, present, and future of these cities combined with an excursion into the surroundings – the cities’ regions.

Cycling Tour and Excursions

Another highlight of this year’s Cycling Summit is the cooperation with “CityRadeln Graz”, a cycling tour through the city of Graz. After the “CityRadeln” tour, you are invited to join a cyclists’ party in the famous venue “Dom im Berg”.

On the last day of the Cycling Summit, interesting excursions invite to explore the local peculiarities and characteristics of Graz from a cyclist’s point of view.

Event-Moderation: Sarah Gruber (ORF)

Program Overview

12th Austrian Cycling Summit Graz

27th - 29th May 2019

Monday, 27/05/2019

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10:00 am – 03:00 pm

„City Changer Cargo-Bike“ – Cargobike Startup-Workshop (Language: English)

(Venue: FGM, Schönaugasse 8a, 8010 Graz)

05:00 – 07:00 pm

Mayors' Conference of Central Styrian Region

(Room: Saal 3)

Starting at 07:00 pm

Evening Reception

(Exhibition Area)

Tuesday, 28/05/2019

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8:30 – 9:30 am

Check-in

In- & Outdoor Expo

9:30 – 10:00 am

Opening Session & Welcome Notes (Room: Saal 1, Translation: English & German)

10:00 – 11:00 am

Keynote 1: Becoming and Remaining a Bicycle Capital, Bernhard Wieser (*TU Graz*)

(Room: Saal 1, Translation: English & German)

11:00 – 11:30 am *Coffee Break*

11:30 am – 01:00 pm

A1: Children Let's Bike!

(Room: Saal 1)
(Translation: EN & DE)

B1: Research Results and Innovations of the Programme 'Mobility of the Future'

(Room: Saal 3)
(Language: German)

C1: Cyclelogistics – Chances & Potential of the Cargobike

(Room: Saal 4)
(Language: German)

D1: Strategies for Enhancing Bicycle Transport in Austria

(Room: Saal 5)
(Language: German)

01:00 – 02:15 pm *Lunch Break*

02:15 – 03:15 pm

A2: International Concepts to Boost Cycling (Room: Saal 1)
(Translation: EN & DE)

B2: Visualisation and Communication (Room: Saal 3)
(Language: German)

C2: Solvable Planning Conflicts (Room: Saal 4)
(Language: German)

D2: Bicycle & Research (Room: Saal 5)
(Language: German)

03:15 – 03:45 pm *Coffee Break*

03:45 – 04:45 pm

Keynote 2: (Room: Saal 1, Translation: English & German)

Help – Too Many Bikes!, Robert Huigen (*Stadt Groningen, NL*)

Cycle Strategy for Small & Medium-Sized Towns, Learning from Vlaanderen, Aglaée Degros (*TU Graz*)

04:45 – 05:30 pm *Break*

05:30 pm

"Cityradeln" (Start of the Bicycle Parade at 06:00 pm on Mariahilferplatz)

07:30 – 08:30 pm

"Cityradeln" – Afterparty on Mariahilferplatz with music and snacks

Starting at 08:30 pm

Party in the "Dom im Berg" (Venue: Schlossberg)

Wednesday, 29/05/2019

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8:30 – 9:45 am

Poster / Speeddating Session

(Room: Saal 1)

Workshop Bicycle Theft (Room: Saal 3)

(Language: German)

9:45 – 11:00 am

Keynote 3:

Bicycle Mobility in Graz, Barbara Urban & Helmut Spinka (*City of Graz*)

Ljubljana: Sharing (Public Space) is Caring, Janez Koželj (Vice-Mayor of the *City of Ljubljana, SI*)

(Room: Saal 1, Translation: English & German)

11:00 – 11:30 am *Break*

11:30 am – 01:00 pm

**A3: Cycling – A Rising
Tourism Topic**

(Room: Saal 1)
(Translation: EN & DE)

**B3: A Wider
Perspective on
Cycling**

(Room: Saal 3)
(Language: German)

**C3: Best Practice in
Municipalities**

(Room: Saal 4)
(Language: German)

**D3: Bringing Cycling
Forward –
International
Perspectives**

(Room: Saal 5)
(Language: English)

01:00 – 02:00 pm *Lunch Break*

02:00 – 03:30 pm

Keynote 4:

Century of Cycling: Pathways towards Sustainability, Ruth Oldenziel (*Eindhoven University of Technology, NL*)

(Room: Saal 1, Translation: English & German)

klimaaktiv Gemeinde-Auszeichnungen (Room: Saal 1, Translation: English & German)

03:30 – 04:00 *Break*

04:00 – 06:00 pm

(Bicycle) Excursions

Details for the Parallel Sessions

Tuesday, 28/05/2019, 11:30am – 1:00pm

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Session A1: Children Let's Bike!

(Room: Saal 1)

Session-Moderation: Ursula Witzmann-Müller (Z_GIS)

Session A1 – a session that touches all of us! It is the duty of the grown-ups to take care that the generation of the future, our children, get the possibility to discover the bicycle as day-to-day means of transport. National and international experts will show, which measures have been implemented and what is still to be done.

Presentations in this Session

Bicycle Leisure Facilities and Playgrounds - Successful Initiatives from Bern and Vienna

(Alec Hager, Die Radvokaten)

Cycling Makes You Smart

(Georg Kopp, Kiwaski GmbH)

25 Years of Cycling Training in Real Traffic in Graz

(Jörg Ofner, Austrian Mobility Research FGM-AMOR)

Healthy and Active Mobility from an Early Age with the Help of the Kindergarten Mobility Box

(Anna Haberl, Mobilitätsagentur Wien)

The Blind Spot – Better Protection through Turning Assistants

(Ulrich Leth, TU Wien)

Tuesday, 28/05/2019, 11:30am – 1:00pm

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Session B1: Research Results and Innovations of the Programme

'Mobility of the Future'

(Room: Saal 3)

Session-Moderation: Walter Wasner (BMVIT)

“Mobilität der Zukunft (Mobility of the future)“ is the name of the successful research-funding program by the Austrian Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology, which has already initiated many innovative projects among others also in the field of bicycle transport. Thus, participants of this session can look forward to learning more about the interesting results of current projects. Furthermore, experts and audience members will identify and discuss research questions of the future together in this interactive session.

Presentations in this Session

Mobility Surveys in Bicycle Traffic – A Result Between Fact and Fiction? – Experience from the Research Project Input-ÖU

(Gerd Sammer, em. Prof. BOKU)

How Can We Bring Evidence-Based Tools in the Field of Active Mobility Into Practical Application? – Experience from the Research Project ACTIV8II

(Clemens Raffler, tbw research GesmbH and Patrick Posch, Research & Data Competence OG)

Are S-Pedelecs the Solution for Environmentally-Friendly Commuting, or rather Under Which Framework Conditions Can They Be a Solution? – Experience from the Research Project POSETIV

(Veronika Zuser, Kuratorium für Verkehrssicherheit and Christoph Breuer, Kairos Institut für Wirkungsforschung und Entwicklung)

What if ... Commuting Counted to Your Working Time? – Experience from the Research Project active2work

(Sandra Wegener, BOKU Wien and Roland Hackl, tbw research GesmbH)

On the Pulse of Bicycle Traffic – Who is Cycling, When, and Where? – Experience from the Research Project Bicycle Observatory

(Bernhard Zagel, Universität Salzburg, Z_GIS)

Can Technologies for Recognition of Critical Traffic Situations Help to Improve the Safety of Cyclists? – Experience from the Research Project SIMMARC

(Helmut Neuschmied, JOANNEUM RESEARCH)

Tuesday, 28/05/2019, 11:30am – 1:00pm

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Session C1: Cyclelogistics – Chances & Potential of the Cargobike
(Room: Saal 4)

Session-Moderation: Matthias Bernold (w24/Drahtesel)

The cargobike has got a special potential, since it offers the additional possibility to transport heavy and bulky loads or even “passengers” from A to B. Thus, it is an interesting alternative to the car in the private sector as well as in the business sector. Session C1 will reveal exciting facts and findings about the manifold uses and applications of cargobikes in practice.

Presentations in this Session

Cargobikes and Micro Depots for Urban Goods Delivery – Considerations for the City of Vienna
(Alexandra Anderluh, Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien)

Grätzlrad Vienna: New Insights Regarding Users and Operators of Host-Based Cargobike Sharing
(Fabian Dorner, TU Wien)

Benefits and Potential of Cargobikes and International Tailwind
(Susanne Wrighton, Austrian Mobility Research FGM-AMOR)

Experience and Lessons Learnt from the Usage of Cargobikes in Practice
(Interview session with Beate Hechtl, Environmental Agency of the City of Graz and Burkhard Steurer, Holding Graz, led by the session moderator, Matthias Bernold)

Tuesday, 28/05/2019, 11:30am – 1:00pm

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Session D1: Strategies for Enhancing Bicycle Transport in Austria
(Room: Saal 5)

Session-Moderation: Ursula Hemetsberger (Land Salzburg)

Austria, a country of cyclists? In everyday mobility? Yes, although the full potential of cycling has not yet been tapped: the national, regional and local authorities strive to make cycling more attractive by way of campaigns, concepts and digital technologies. Session D1 offers first-hand experience from the national level, the Province of Styria, and the city of Vienna.

Presentations in this Session

From the Cycling Climber Nation to ‘Austria Cycles’

(Martin Eder, BMNT)

Masterplan Bicycle Boulevards Vienna

(Thomas Berger, City of Vienna and Olivia Kantner, komobile w7 GmbH)

“Steiermark Radmobil” – Human-Centred Mobility Offers

(Bernhard Krause, Province of Styria)

Cycling Network Study Styria – From the Paradigm Shift in Transport Planning to the Societal Transformation of Mobility Behaviour

(Fritz Bernhard, Province of Styria)

Tuesday, 28/05/2019, 2:15pm – 3:15pm

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Session A2: International Concepts to Boost Cycling

(Room: Saal 1)

Session-Moderation: Martin Loidl (Z_GIS)

Cities in many countries have got the same goal: increasing bicycle traffic. But how? Which methods, which transport or infrastructure related measures shall be applied? How to use hardware, software and orgware in the best way? What is the potential of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans? And how can you build on an active community to improve the bicycle network? In this session, we will learn more – thanks to first-hand experience from The Netherlands, Slovenia, Belgium, and Switzerland.

Presentations in this Session

Going Dutch? But Keeping it Real

(Stefan Bendiks, Artgineering, BE)

Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans as Drivers for Cycling Boom

(Lea Rikato Ružič, PNZ consulting designing Ltd., SI)

Fix the Mix – Cycling in Mixed Traffic and the Overall Gains for Society

(Elke Bossaert, Mobiel21, BE)

Civic Tech for Bicycle Infrastructure – Let's Make Our Streets Bikeable

(Hannes Heller, Bikeable.ch, CH)

Tuesday, 28/05/2019, 2:15pm – 3:15pm

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Session B2: Visualisation and Communication

(Room: Saal 3)

Session-Moderation: Maximilian Schenner & Michael Rothschädl (FH Joanneum)

Often, detailed data is necessary for planning. But which methods can be used to collect and visualize it? Which information regarding the infrastructure is required by cyclists, and how can this information be provided? Which marketing and information strategies can be used to make bicycle transport visible and attractive for the masses? Session B2 is hosted by university of applied science FH Joanneum, Journalism and Public Relations studies, and provides multifaceted and interesting approaches to bicycle transport.

Presentations in this Session

How Can I Find My Cycle Route?

(Othmar Knoflach, Amt der Tiroler Landesregierung)

PING If You Care!

(Fred Dotter, Mobiel21, BE and Daniel Kofler, Bike Citizens Mobile Solutions GmbH)

MobiMeter – A Tool for Monitoring and Analysing Mobility Behaviour

(Kurt Fallast, PLANUM Fallast Tischler & Partner, Stefan Kollarits, PRISMA solutions)

Using Social Marketing to Increase Bicycle Traffic: A Communication and Positioning Strategy for Wels-Umland, Austria's First Model Region for Cycling

(Michael Bauer, katapult)

Tuesday, 28/05/2019, 2:15pm – 3:15pm

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Session C2: Solvable Planning Conflicts

(Room: Saal 4)

Session-Moderation: Alec Hager (Radkompetenz Österreich)

A session about breeding black sheep at Netherlands beaches ... or is it? In everyday traffic, emotional situations are common: bicycles, pedestrians, and cars compete for the available space, and sustainable transport modes do not always emerge victorious from these conflicts. But how can we prevent such conflicts? Which framework conditions must be met to quiet the minds and achieve safety in traffic? The platform "Radkompetenz Österreich" will show in this session how good bicycle traffic can be achieved by sound analysis and good planning practices.

Presentations in this Session

With the Aid of Black Sheep

(Alec Hager, Die Radvokaten)

Designing Crossroads that Prevent Conflicts for Pedestrians and Cyclists

(Roland Romano, Radlobby Österreich)

Digitising Bicycle Transport – From the Need for Action to Solutions

(Ulrike Brocza, PRISMA solutions)

Troubles on the Beach: Measures for Bicycle Traffic at the Abandoned River Course Greifenstein

(Michael Szeiler, con.sens mobilitätsdesign)

Tuesday, 28/05/2019, 2:15pm – 3:15pm

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Session D2: Bicycle & Research

(Room: Saal 5)

Session-Moderation: Bernhard Zagel (Z_GIS)

Although the bicycle has been in use for more than 200 years, there is always need for research. How can research contribute to an increase of bicycle traffic in cities? Which findings can help to motivate people to commute by bike? Is the difference between the different types of bicycles really so big that we need to take it into account in transport planning? Session B2 will provide the answers to these questions and many more.

Presentations in this Session

Doubling the Share of Bicycle Traffic? What are (Still) the Barriers?

(Ulrich Leth, TU Wien)

A Tool to Support Climate-Resilient Bicycle Transport Planning

(Judith Köberl, JOANNEUM RESEARCH and Thomas Rath, Bike Citizens Mobile Solutions GmbH)

How do Cyclists Choose their Commuting Routes?

(Susanne Grüner, TU Braunschweig, DE)

Speed Differences between Selected Types of Bicycles in Different Travel Modes

(Philipp Blass, Kuratorium für Verkehrssicherheit)

Wednesday, 29/05/2019, 8:30am – 9:30am

Poster / Speeddating Session

(Room: Saal 1)

Session-Moderation: Sarah Gruber (ORF)

As a starting point on Wednesday, the poster / speeddating session in speed dating style provides the possibility to learn about a large spectrum of interesting projects and initiatives. In direct dialog with experts, participants get detailed first-hand information regarding the presented projects, initiatives and implementations.

Workshop: Innovations to Prevent Bicycle Theft in Urban Areas

(Room: Saal 3)

Session-Moderation: Barbara Hammerl (Stadtlabor Graz)

Organised by the Urban Mobility Lab Graz, this workshop brings fundamental questions to the table: Which measures, technologies and innovative solutions can counter the danger of bicycle-theft, and secure one's own bicycle? Participants are invited to develop and discuss concrete ideas and solutions applying methods of Design Thinking. An innovative design-thinking workshop as a successful start into the day. At the end of the workshop there will be an award-ceremony for the winners of the "Bicycletheftprevention-Challenge" of the Mobility Lab Graz.

Wednesday, 29/05/2019, 11:30am – 1:00pm

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Session A3: Cycling – A Rising Tourism Topic

(Room: Saal 1)

Session-Moderation: Andrea Leindl (Austrian Energy Agency)

The bicycle is not only the ideal means for everyday transport, it is also well-suited to explore a country and get to know people and culture. Let's find out what cross-border cycling tourism looks like, how cycling can be combined with local tourism offers, and what role abandoned railways play in cycling tourism: In session A3 we learn more about the potential of the bicycle in tourism and how it can be shaped and developed.

Presentations in this Session

Unlimited Joy in Cycling in the Green Heart of Austria

(Erich Neuhold, Steiermark Tourismus, AT)

Customer Journey Mapping of Cycle Tourists – A Case Study of the Adelaide Wine Capital Cycle Trail Project

(Craig Grocke, Regional Development Australia, AU)

Network of Greenways Along the Abandoned Railways in Serbia

(Mirko Radovanac, Yugo Cycling Campaign, RS)

Drauradweg 2025: An Intercultural Challenge from the Dolomites to the Pannonian Plain

(Claudia Tscherne, Agentur Weitblick, AT)

TRAIL LAND – Private Initiative for the Development of Local Cycling Tourism in Eastern Styria

(Stephanos Berger, CIDCOM Werbeagentur, AT and Patrick Wiesenhofer, TRAILLAND, AT)

Wednesday, 29/05/2019, 11:30am – 1:00pm

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Session B3: A Wider Perspective on Cycling

(Room: Saal 3)

Session-Moderation: Wolfgang Wehap (City of Graz)

Cycling is a multifaceted topic, as shown especially in session B3. From the question whether cars are more common than bicycles, onto the role of the bicycle for emancipation of women: bicycle transport is shown from various interesting perspectives. Of course, you will also be educated on the opportunities autonomous driving offers to bicycle transport, and you will be presented with an overview of solutions and approaches against bicycle theft. In this sense: Welcome to recapturing the city.

Presentations in this Session

Fish Without Bicycle: Is this Normal?

(Markus Frewein and Jürgen Sorger, verkehrplus)

FAHR RAD! Recapturing the City

(Sabine Gindl, TU Graz / Haus der Architektur)

When Women Ride a Bike – The Beginning of the Path to Equality

(Veronika Bayer-Balint, BMASGK)

Influencing Factors on City Development and Resulting Chances for Bicycle Mobility in the Course of the Reorganisation of Public Space

(Martin Brischnik, Zentralvereinigung der ArchitektInnen Steiermark)

Bicycle Theft – Innovations to Protect Your Bicycle

(Gosia Stawecka, Stadtlabor Graz)

Wednesday, 29/05/2019, 11:30am – 1:00pm

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Session C3: Best Practice in Municipalities

(Room: Saal 4)

Session-Moderation: Barbara Hammerl (Stadtlabor Graz)

Best Practice in Municipalities is the perfect opportunity to get inspiration from the implementations of experienced transport planners for planning and implementing measures in your own municipality. Session C3 offers interesting aspects from a wide spectrum of possible projects, from rental bike systems to the comprehensive implementation of master plans.

Presentations in this Session

Cycling on Pedestrian Paths in Südstadt – Legalising Accustomed Behaviour

(Michael Meschik, BOKU Wien)

Fahrrad Modellregion Wels Umland – Austria's 1st Model Region for Everyday Bicycle Traffic

(Christian Hummer, Land Oberösterreich and Robert Stögner, Klimabündnis OÖ)

Stadtrad Innsbruck: 5th Anniversary of the Bike-Rental System in the Capital City of the Province of Tyrol

(Thomas Hillebrand, Innsbrucker Verkehrsbetriebe und Stubaitalbahn GmbH)

This Way! – Steer into the Direction of Bicycle-Friendly Spaces

(Nadin Brunnhofer, UML Salzburg)

The Implementation of the Bicycle Master Plan Klagenfurt: Combination of Infrastructure and Public Awareness

(Ludwig Siedler, Amt der Kärntner Landesregierung)

Concept Public Space Villach – A Smart Urban Pedestrian and Cycle Path Network for the Citizens of Villach

(Ernst Rainer, TU Graz)

Wednesday, 29/05/2019, 11:30am – 1:00pm

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Session D3: Bringing Cycling Forward – International Perspectives

(Room: Saal 5)

Session-Moderation: Doris Wiederwald (AustriaTech)

Bringing Cycling Forward – International Perspectives: a session in English, dedicated to the experiences of Austria's neighbouring countries. This view beyond the horizon shows the challenges seen in other countries and provides insights on how problems are tackled and common goals are approached elsewhere.

Presentations in this Session

Bicycle Promotion Programmes in Switzerland

(Daniel Bachofner, Pro Velo Schweiz, CH)

How Do We Cycle in Hungary?

(Balázs Kozák, Hungarian Cyclists' Club / Mobilissimus Ltd., HU)

A Helping Hand

(Ana Munteanu, Verde pentru Biciclete, RO)

City Changers

(Jaroslav Martinek, Partnership for Urban Mobility, CZ)

Development of the Hungarian Cycle Route Network

(Attila Glász, Ministry for Innovation and Technology, HU)

Wednesday, 29/05/2019, 2:00pm – 2:45pm

Excellent!

(Room: Saal 1)

Session-Moderation: Sarah Gruber (ORF)

Municipalities, companies and associations from all over Austria took action within "klimaaktiv", an initiative for climate protection, and now they are asked to come on stage. The "klimaaktiv mobil" award is a symbol of the appreciation for the activities of these local authorities, companies and associations and shall motivate others to act likewise and work together for a climate-friendly mobility change.

Details for Side Events and Social Program *

**program may be subject to changes*

Monday, 27/05/2019

City Changer Cargobike – Cargobike Start-Up Workshop (10:00am – 3:00pm)

(Venue: FGM, Schönaugasse 8a, 8010 Graz)

Moderation: Gary Armstrong (ECLF)

The workshop is aimed at individuals and companies interested in setting up and running a cycle-based delivery business using cargo bikes. Participation in the workshop is free of charge. The number of participants is limited! Spots for the workshop will be assigned in the order of registration.

To reserve a spot write an email to: wrighton@fgm.at

Mayors' Conference (5:00 pm – 7:00pm)

(Room: Saal 3)

The city of Graz and the transport department of the province of Styria want to make a difference in terms of bike mobility by 2030. Especially since mobility in the greater Graz area affects not only citizens of Graz but also more than 100,000 people in the Styrian central area every day, the Austrian Cycling Summit is the perfect occasion for a Mayors' Conference to which the regional management invites the mayors of all municipalities in the Styrian central area.

Evening Reception (starting at 7:00pm)

(Exhibition Area)

Moderation: Sarah Gruber (ORF)

On Monday, 27th of May, the Cycling Summit starts with an evening reception in the Messecongress Süd at 7pm. Siegfried Nagl, mayor of the City of Graz and Bertram Werle, director for urban planning, development and construction of the City of Graz will welcome the participants and launch the event. The evening reception with musical and culinary accompaniment is a perfect occasion to make first contacts or cultivate long-time friendships and acquaintances. At the same time, there is also the opportunity to visit the interesting offers of the numerous exhibitors on site.

Tuesday, 28/05/2019

Bicycle Parade: "CityRadeln" (starting at 5:30pm)

Since 2010, the event "Graz CityRadeln" invites bike-enthusiasts once a month, from April to August, to participate in a cycling tour through Graz. The tours cover a distance of approximately 20 km, vary in their routes (all of which are carfree in the cyclists' direction), and give the participants the opportunity to discover their city from a cyclist's perspective. Provision of snacks and beverages, and escort by prominent VIPs are additional motivations to participate in "CityRadeln". When the weather is fine, up to 700 cyclists participate in the tours. The participants of the Cycling Summit are cordially invited to join the CityRadeln cycling tour on Tuesday, 28th of May, which will end on Mariahilferplatz at 7:30pm, where food and beverages will be provided. If you need a rental bike for joining CityRadeln, you can find more details on the Cycling Summit website (www.cylingsummit2019.at) under the menu item "Services".

Cycling Summit Party in the "Dom im Berg" (starting at 8:30pm)

The so called "Dom im Berg" – a 700m² wide and 11m high hall carved out from the Schlossberg in the heart of the city of Graz – is one of the fanciest event-sites in Graz. The Cycling Summit Party in cooperation with [Antenne Steiermark](#) will take place in this venue on Tuesday.

Excursions on Wednesday, 29/05/2019, 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Traditionally, during the Austrian Cycling Summit excursions are offered to the participants to show them local highlights. This year is no exception, with six fascinating excursions taking place, all of which invite to explore the city of Graz.

If you need a rental bike for participating in one of the bicycle excursions, you can find more details on the Cycling Summit website (www.cylingsummit2019.at) under the menu item "Services".

Note: No bicycle is needed for participating at the excursions 2 and 6, as these excursions will be walking / public transport excursions.

Bicycle Excursion 1: Bicycle Tradition in Graz

Bicycle ride from the Wilhelm-Fischer-Allee with the City's first self-pegged bike path to the Volksgarten (location of the first workshop of Johann Puch), continuation to the Köstenbaumühle (formerly Styria bicycle works) to the former Einser-Werk with subsequent visit of the Johann Puch-Museum. This excursion will be led by Wolfgang Wehap, cycling-historian, [transport advisor in the office of city council Elke Kahr](#).

Excursion 2: Smart City Graz – City of short ways

An urban mix of uses will characterize the Smart City urban development areas in the west of Graz as an attractive and diversified living space. The goal is sustainable mobility behavior through short everyday journeys - gentle mobility thus has priority in Smart City Graz. Private investors conclude mobility contracts with the city of Graz, the public space is a place for people, the lounges are planned according to the needs of pedestrians and cyclists. This excursion will be led by the [Stadtbaudirektion of the City of Graz](#).

Bicycle Excursion 3: Infrastructure measures to promote cycling

A tour to current and exceptional cycling infrastructure in the City of Graz. The route goes from the Messecongress Graz to the LKH Graz and leads over the Begegnungszone of the Sonnenfelsplatz to the newly designed Wickenburggasse as an example how available areas can be redistributed. The excursion ends at Central Station of Graz. This excursion will be led by Helmut Spinka, [Bicycle Coordinator of the City of Graz](#).

Bicycle Excursion 4: Traffic Education Centre Graz

A bicycle tour to the Traffic Education Center Graz at the ÖAMTC site in the Alte Poststraße. Since 2016, a modern training facility has been available there on an area of 2,500 m² for parents and children from the City of Graz and its surroundings. The excursion will be led by the [Easy Drivers Cycling School](#).

Bicycle Excursion 5: Technical Tour – Insight to the Cycling Infrastructure of Graz

Larger projects, construction site management and signage concepts: Grazer main cycle routes, construction site of the Murkraftwerk- a power plant on the river Mur, visit of the expansion Südbahn, conversion of the former motorway “stump”, urban development area Reininghausgründe etc. This excursion will be led by [Radlobby ARGUS Steiermark](#).

Excursion 6: Guided tour to the exhibition "Fahr Rad!" ("Let's Bike!")

The [House of Architecture \(HDA\)](#) in Graz is showing "Fahr Rad!", an exhibition of the Deutsches Architekturmuseum (DAM) in Frankfurt. It addresses the question how the development of a city should look like to attract even more people to cycling in the future. The exhibition promotes this gentle reconquest of the city with projects from all over the world. It also refers to the situation of cycling in Graz and Styria - prepared by the Institute for Urban Development of the Faculty of Architecture of Graz University of Technology under the direction of Prof. Aglaée Degros.