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SIGNAL 112 – Special International Trade Fair for Fire Brigades and Rescue Services

More than 120 exhibitors have already agreed to participate in the First 100 SIGNAL!

There are now only a few weeks till the start of the Special International Trade Fair for Fire Brigades and Rescue Services. This takes place from 9-11 March 2023 in Oberwart/Burgenland in Austria.

For the first time, this trade fair concentrates on markets in Central Europe. As a first step, we have already enrolled more than 120 exhibitors from Austria, Slovakia, the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Hungary, Switzerland, Germany, and Poland. Our exhibitors include the greatest manufacturers for rescue services, as well as distinguished suppliers for fire brigades. Thus, the trade fair SIGNAL 112 covers a wide range of products, vehicles and services for fire brigades and rescue services within Central Europe. The highlights of this special trade fair include a new and efficient system from the company AVL for extinguishing burning vehicle batteries, a superlative crane vehicle from the fire brigade of Vienna Airport, a fleet of drones from German Red Cross in Fulda in Germany, as well as a wide range of products used in rescue services.

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“Signal112 is an almost intimate special trade fair, where networking is easy. One special feature is that the site is close to our neighbouring countries in Central Europe. You don’t have to drive kilometres and kilometres to fetch information or tenders. All that is required are a few steps on the site of trade fair in Oberwart”, says Markus Tuidler of the Burgenland trade fair.

The special trade fair is complemented by a supporting programme for current specialised issues, as presented by expert representatives of the fire brigades and rescue services.



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Overview:

Thursday, 9.03.2023

Summit meeting of fire brigade presidents from Austria, Slovakia, Hungary, Croatia and Germany. This meeting will concentrate on international collaboration after major disasters.

14:00 hours. Platform Hall IA

Lectures on natural hazards, presented by Fire Brigade Management for the Federal State of Burgenland

Friday, 10.03.2023

First International Forum on Rescue Services Signal 112 in collaboration with Burgenland Red Cross, with practical presentations for users in fire brigades and rescue services. The special program will be rated as 4 hours training, both in Burgenland and possibly in other federal states. This will take place in Hall 1A. Fees for participation are included in the entry charge for the trade fair.

Program:

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9.30 – 10.30 hours, Hall IA

Lecture 1: Overview of European Rescue Services

Christoph Redelsteiner MSc MD PhD, László Gorove MD, Medical Director PHTLS Austria, Former Senior Physician of the National Hungarian Rescue Service, Viliam Dobiáš MD PhD. President of the Slovakian Red Cross, Andrej Šmon, EMS, Medical Dispatch Centre Ljubljana

10.30 – 10:55 hours

Lecture 2: 2025 Rescue Service – Burgenland as Exemplary Federal State

Alexander Heller MSc MBA, Office of the Burgenland State Government, Department 10 – Health

11.05 – 11.30 hours

Lecture 3: Telemedicine in the Rescue Service

Christina Hafner MD, Vienne School of Medicine and Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Digital Health and Patient Safety

11.30 – 12:00 hours

Lecture 4: Field Supervisor Vienna Professional Rescue

MA 70 – Michael Girsas, Director of the Vienna Rescue Academy



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Lunch Break

12.30 – 12.55 hours

Lecture 5: Acute Community Nursing and Acute Social Work

Christoph Redelsteiner MSc MD PhD, and Colleague from Lower Austria Emergencies

12.55 – 13.20 hours

Lecture 6: Central Office for State Security - Burgenland

Central Office – Initial Office to the State Health Service,
State Manager: Mario Promintzer

13.20 – 13.45 hours

Lecture 7: Air Ambulance in Austria - an International Comparison

Cpt. Reinhard Kraxner, Managing Director of Christophorus Air Ambulance Association

Think Tank

17.15 hours

Come together

18.00 – 20.00 hours

Lecture 8: Proper Deployment of Rescue and Emergency Paramedics: Appropriate Rescue Equipment

Dr. Michael Halmich, ÖGERN

Followed by Podium Discussion on the Paramedics Law

Moderator: *Christoph Redelsteiner MSc PhD MD*

Representative of the Federal Health Ministry Vice-President Clemens Kaltenberger, Federal Association of Rescue Services / Representative of the Trades Unions / Medical Council Dr. Michael Halmich, ÖGERN / Burgenland Red Cross – Senior Physician Dr. Reinhold Renner / Representative of Burgenland Red Cross / Office of the Burgenland State Government – Alexander Heller MSc MBA.

20.00 hours – Open end: **Networks in Burgenland – Pogatscherl, Sterz, Wein“**

Saturday, 11.03.2023, 9.30-11 hours, Exhibition Hall I

Official Celebration of the Jubilee: “100 years of the Burgenland Fire Brigade Association”

Participants: Local Commanders for Burgenland, Section and District Commanders for Burgenland, State and Federal Commanders of the Austrian Voluntary and Professional Fire Brigades



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General Information on the Trade Fair

Focal points of SIGNAL 112 – International Special Trade Fair for Fire Brigades and Rescue Service:

- **Special Exhibition**
with demonstrations and trials,
- **International COMMUNICATION**
political, associations and users
- **TRAINING and LECTURES**
with practical workshops and advanced professional training

The portfolio offered by SIGNAL 112 includes products and service for fire brigades and rescue services, disaster management and related areas:

vehicles and vehicle superstructures / equipment and accessories/ medical technology and instruments / ambulance equipment / rescue instruments and equipment / professional clothing / communication and management technique / fire extinguishers, fire extinguishing agents and measuring instruments / professional and Specialist Associations / publishers and media.

The organisers collaborate with Burgenland Trade Fairs and the Neue Messe Fulda – both of whom have experience in organising trade fairs in fire brigades and rescue services.

For the first time, this trade fair focusses on the central European market – initially Austria, Slovakia, Hungary and Slovenia. This will subsequently be extended to South Poland, East Ukraine and North Croatia.

According to Manfred Hommel of the Neue Messes Fulda: “The lively interest of the exhibitors makes it clear that we are fulfilling an urgent need in this sector and that we are offering a platform that fills a gap in the market. This view is confirmed by the fact that fire brigade presidents from neighbouring countries in central Europe have agreed to participate. For the first time, there will be a summit discussion of all senior managers.”



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The trade fair SIGNAL 112 will take place annually and be a reliable partner for exhibitors and users!

SIGNAL 112 will be on the site of the Burgenland trade fair. This lies in Central Europe and borders on Slovakia in the north, Hungary in the east and Slovenia in the south. The Oberwart trade fair site can be reached within 2 to 3 hours in the car from the capitals of all countries bordering on Burgenland/Austria.

Information for Visitors

SIGNAL 112 – International Trade Fair for Fire Brigades and Rescue Services

Opening times:	09-11 March 2023, daily from 09.00-17:00 hours
Daily ticket on site:	€ 12
Daily ticket bought online:	€ 10
Group discount from 10 persons on site:	€ 8 / per person
Parking:	free
Ticket sales online:	www.signal112.at
Site of trade fair:	Oberwart Trade Fair, Rechtes Pinkauer 20 / Tür 1

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