# **19<sup>th</sup> Russbach School on Nuclear Astrophysics**



# **Third Circular**

Dear Colleagues,

The date for the **19<sup>th</sup> Russbach School on Nuclear Astrophysics** is approaching. It takes place at the village of Rußbach am Paß Gschütt, southeast of Salzburg, Austria from **March 3 (arrival, no lecture) to March 9 (departure, no lecture) 2024**.

# Venue

Hotel reception and school registration will take place at **Ausswinkl** on Sunday, **March 3, from 14:00 to 19:00**. So, you must go to Ausswinkl first once you will have arrived in Russbach. There, you will be told where you are accommodated and how to get there. Most of you will stay either in Hotel Landhaus **Ausswinkl** or in Hotel Gasthof **Waldwirt**.

**Lectures, contributed talks, and poster exhibition** will take place in the **Russbach Parish Center** conference hall, located in the center of the village, just in front of the church.

**Dinners** will be served for all participants at **Ausswinkl**.



# **Travel information**

First of all, take care, there are three villages called Russbach in Austria, take the good one: **Rußbach am Paß Gschütt**!

For planning your travels, if not yet done, please have a look at the webpage of the school:

https://fahrplan.salzburg-verkehr.at/webapp/index.html?L=vs\_svv&language=en\_GB

Important is that there are not that many buses between Golling-Abtenau station to "Russbach am Pass", and they stop rather "early" in the evening (**bus line 470** at around 20:40). In case you anticipate a late arrival, please inform us beforehand so that we can organize a taxi for one person or a group of people.

In case of an unexpected late arrival on Sunday and/or during the weekend, you must call at the Hotel Landhaus Ausswinkl (tel: +43 6242 366, email: <u>ausswinkl@sbg.at</u>, website: <u>http://www.hotelausswinkl.at/</u>). As it takes about 30 minutes to reach the Golling-Abtenau station, we suggest that you call the hotel while your train leaves Salzburg.

Important Information for the "Tennengau ticket": As soon as the hotel owners will pre-register you in their hotel software, you will get an email with a guest card that can be viewed from your mobile phone. This card can be used to travel for free on-board regional trains and buses from Salzburg via Golling-Abtenau to Russbach and return. The card must be shown to the bus driver when boarding.

During your stay in Russbach, the guest card / Tennengau ticket can also be used for any other bus ride to, e.g., Abtenau/Gosausee.

For those who plan to come by car, you can use the link:

https://goo.gl/maps/h6p8188q7Z2qUwzL9

or enter the destination manually:

Gseng 57, 5442 Rußbach am Pass Gschütt, Österreich / Austria

#### Accommodation

To optimize the sharing of rooms between participants in the hotels and pensions in Russbach, we shall use the information you provided in your registration. Please check if they are still correct. **If for some reason your arrival or departure dates have changed, please inform us as quickly as possible to guarantee your accommodation and avoid booking and paying unoccupied rooms.** You will soon receive an email from the indico server requesting to cross check your dates.

We have taken care of hotel reservations, and you will be informed in which hotel you will be accommodated at your arrival, when you register.

### Fees

The accommodation expenses for the school's duration, including half board (breakfast and dinner) are 549  $\in$  for double- and multi-bed rooms and 651  $\in$  for single rooms. Additionally, every guest must pay a local tax of 2  $\in$  per night (12  $\in$  for 6 nights). Extra charge for a short stay of 2 nights is 15  $\in$ , for 1 night it is 20  $\in$ . These accommodation expenses include breakfast and your evening dinner, lunch is not included.

A limited number of single rooms is available. Those are reserved for special cases and senior speakers. In addition, a few family rooms are available for speakers with more than one accompanying person.

We also ask for **registration fees** for **senior scientists** ( $\pounds$ 180), **post-docs** ( $\pounds$ 120), **PhD students** ( $\pounds$ 60), and **accompanying persons** ( $30\pounds$  for special activities and conference dinner). There is no fee for undergraduate students. If not yet done, payments should be done through this link:

https://events.hifis.net/event/904/page/245-registration-fees

You will soon get a receipt of your payment.

**Payment of local tax must be done** <u>by cash</u>, while payment for the hotels can be done by bank card or cash before departure. Note that only one cash dispenser (ATM) is available in the city center of Russbach (12-15 min walk from Ausswinkl). Thus, it may be more convenient to withdraw money prior to arrival.

# Scientific Program

This year the scientific program is again very appealing. It includes presentations in very different domains of nuclear astrophysics. We ask the lecturers to use a sufficient fraction of their allocated time ( $\sim$ 30%) to educate students, as well as researchers who may be not familiar with all fields.

The **preliminary program** is available on the website.

https://events.hifis.net/event/904/page/151-program

Please feel free to contact other lecturers to arrange the contents of your talk if needed. If you spot any conflicts with your travel plans, please inform us as soon as possible.

Every speaker is asked to

• either provide your talk as ppt/pptx or pdf on a USB stick

This is mandatory for 12+3-minute talks to maintain a smooth course of the school. If you need a USB stick, please contact one of the organizers.

• or test the connection between their own notebook and the projector at least in the break prior to the session.

**Posters** can be set up in the conference room from Monday morning to Friday evening. We will attribute a number to each, and it would be nice to have a picture of the presenter on it.

A jury will decide about the 2 best talks and 2 best posters by students and young postdocs who will be awarded with a **talk/poster prize**.

There will be no proceedings, but we will publish the talks as pdf files on the website of the school, after having obtained the agreement from the speakers.

#### **Special events and outdoor activities**

Several special events and outdoor activities are planned:

- Welcome reception at Hotel Ausswinkl on Sunday
- Visit of a fossil's museum on Monday
- Guided snowshoe hikes on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday (might be adjusted due to the weather forecast)
- Conference dinner and live music on Wednesday
- Excursion to the charming village of Hallstatt on Thursday
- Awarding of poster and talk prizes and farewell party on Friday

We usually obtain 20% discounts for ski & snowboard rental. If we know in advance, ski courses can be arranged for a group of people for a cheaper price. See also

http://www.dachstein.at/en/winter/

for more information on weather, snow conditions, ski resort.

Looking forward to meeting you soon in Russbach,

Sara Palmerini, Konrad Schmidt, and Olivier Sorlin Directors of the Russbach school

and

Marcel Heine, Karl Ludwig Kratz, and Nikola Vukman Local organizers