

# Daily ETAPS

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## Sightseeing in Vienna

The Giant Ferris Wheel. You may want to visit this landmark of Vienna in the footsteps of the movie "The Third Man" or simply enjoy the view of the city from 64 metres up. The Giant Ferris Wheel ("Riesenrad") was erected in 1897 to



celebrate the 50th anniversary of the reign of Emperor Franz Joseph I. The 15 cabins and the upholding structure weight a total of 430t. Passengers can enjoy panoramic views over the entire city and surrounding area. On a clear day you are rewarded by views reaching as far as the Alps. You can even rent a cabin for yourself and enjoy a dinner above the roofs of Vienna! The Viennese Riesenrad is the only giant ferris wheel of its time which is still in use today.

How to get there: take Underground U1 from Karlsplatz (direction Kagran) to Praterstern. The Giant Ferris Wheel is nearby the station, follow the signs with directions to 'Riesenrad'.



The Vienna Opera House is located near the ETAPS location, close to Karlsplatz in the first district at the southern end of the Kärntnerstraße. The Vienna Opera House has a world-wide reputation for its first-class opera

performances and is also known because of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. A night at the State Opera is one of the most impressive events any visitor to Vienna can experience. The competition to build it was won in 1860 by the architects August von Sicardsburg and Eduard van der Nüll, though neither lived to see the work completed. It is said that constant criticism by the people of Vienna, drove van der Nüll to commit suicide. His colleague died soon afterwards from the complica-

tions of an operation. The building was opened in 1869 as the "Imperial Opera" with a performance of Mozart's Don Giovanni.

St. Stephen's Cathedral (Stephansdom) is one of Vienna's most famous sights. St. Stephen's Cathedral defines the city centre and has been the heart of Vienna for centuries. It is indisputably Vienna's most emblematic monument and a landmark for locals and visitors alike. It was built in 1147 AD



and for a long time it was uncontested as highest building in Europe measuring almost 137 m.

How to get there: take Underground U1 from Karlsplatz (direction Kagran) to Stephansplatz and use exit Stephansplatz.

### Coffee Spots

Of course one cannot rattle down all the historic places without getting hungry. Visit one of the world-famous Cafés of Vienna and taste their fantastic coffees! There are hundreds of nice Cafés all over Vienna and it's almost impossible to check out all of them – anyway, here is a list of some of the most famous ones in the first district.

Café Central.

Herrengasse 14 (Underground U3: Herrengasse) / Strauchgasse

Café Diglas.

Wollzeile 10 - near St. Stephen's Cathedral

Café Griensteidl.

Michaelerplatz 2 - close to Hofburg

Café Hawelka.

Dorotheagasse 6 - close to Graben

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Café Prückel. Stubenring 24 (close to Underground U3: Stubentor)

Café Sacher. Philharmonikerstraße 4 - close to

Vienna Opera House

#### **Photos**

To share with you some photos of the conference we have created a (yet incomplete) "PICTURES" page on the ETAPS'06 web page that will show impressions of the social events that we organised for you: the Joint Workshops Pre-Conference Dinner on Sunday, the Welcome Reception in the Rathaus (Vienna City Hall) on Monday, the Main Conference Banquet in the Orangery of Schönbrunn Palace on Tuesday, the traditional dinner at the "Heurigen" Schübel-Auer on Wednesday, the Intel Reception on Thursday, and the Joint Workshops Post-Conference Dinner on Saturday. Please note, we are still in the process of collecting photos and many more photos will be added within the next days.

#### ETAPS'07

For introducing ETAPS'07, João Alexandre Saraiva presented an impressive animation. Starting at outer space we were approaching earth, and zoomed in, until we were right in front of the building where ETAPS'07 will be taking place – the wonderful main theatre of Braga, Teatro Circo. The city Braga is known for its barroque churches and splendid 18th century houses. The old city is solemn and antique, but animated with commercial activity and academic life.

## Last Day

This is the last day of ETAPS'06 – We hope you enjoyed the conference, as much as we enjoyed welcoming you here.

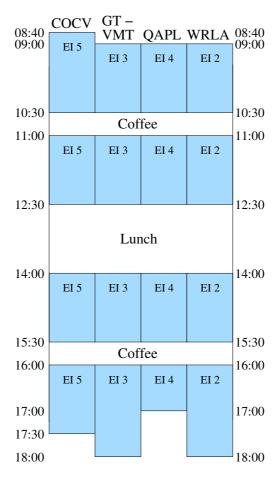
Today the General Chair of ETAPS'06, Jens Knoop, will pass the ETAPS "flame" to the General Chair of ETAPS'07, João Alexandre Saraiva.



We hope that you will keep many fond memories of ETAPS'06. See you at ETAPS'07, in Braga, Portugal!

## Weather Forecast

Today	Mon	Tue	Wed
Mostly	Partly	Partly	Mostly
Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Low 6°C	Low 5°C	Low 5°C	Low 5°C
High 14°C	High 15°C	High 12°C	High 13°C



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