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United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres (left) arrives at the Vienna International Centre accompanied by Austrian Foreign Minister Karin Kneissl (right) and Yury Fedotov (centre, behind), Director-General of the United Nations Office at Vienna (14 May 2018).

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The United Nations in Vienna

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From its headquarters in Vienna and through an extensive network of field offices around the world, UNODC helps Member States to reduce their vulnerability to drugs, crime, corruption and terrorism, and to promote security and justice for all. The Executive Director of UNODC is Yury Fedotov.

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The International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) is the independent and quasi-judicial body monitoring and promoting the implementation of the United Nations drug control conventions. INCB works towards ensuring the availability of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances for medical and scientific purposes while preventing diversion to illicit traffic and abuse. The Board monitors national controls over precursor chemicals used in the illicit manufacturing of drugs and assists governments in preventing the diversion of precursors.

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The United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) is responsible for implementing the United Nations programme on the peaceful uses of outer space, and helps United Nations Member States, particularly developing countries, to use space science, technology and applications for sustainable development. The Office also serves as the secretariat for the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS).

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INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY (IAEA)

The IAEA, comprising 170 Member States, works to support the safe and secure development of nuclear technology and to verify the peaceful use of nuclear materials. Director General Yukiya Amano has led the agency since December 2009.

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UNIDO is the specialized agency of the United Nations that promotes industrial development for inclusive globalization and environmental sustainability. It supports Member States in achieving inclusive and sustainable industrial development, with the vision to create decent jobs and shared prosperity, and eradicate absolute poverty. This vision is echoed and amplified by the global mandate received by the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which recognizes inclusive and sustainable industrialization as a major driver for sustainable development, particularly, but not exclusively, through Sustainable Development Goal 9.

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The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) bans nuclear explosions by everyone, everywhere: on the Earth’s surface, in the atmosphere, underwater and underground. CTBTO promotes the Treaty and is establishing a global verification regime with 337 monitoring facilities to ensure that no nuclear explosion goes undetected. The monitoring data are also used for non-verification purposes such as tsunami warnings and global radiation monitoring. The Executive Secretary is Lassina Zerbo.

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INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE DANUBE RIVER (ICPDR)

ICPDR promotes international cooperation to make the Danube, Europe’s second largest river, cleaner, healthier and safer while working towards ensuring the sustainable and equitable use of waters and freshwater resources in the Danube River Basin, the most international river basin in the world. The work of ICPDR is based on the Danube River Protection Convention (DRPC) and serves its 15 contracting parties, including the European Union. The ICPDR secretariat based in Vienna supports cooperation between the Danube River Basin countries towards the implementation of the Convention, the EU Water Framework Directive and the EU Floods Directive. ICPDR also contributes to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 6 in the Danube Region.

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UNITED NATIONS SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON THE EFFECTS OF ATOMIC RADIATION (UNSCEAR)

UNSCEAR evaluates the levels and effects of exposure to ionizing radiation and reports the findings to the General Assembly, the scientific community and the general public. These reports provide the scientific basis for radiation protection measures used by governments and international bodies.

The UNSCEAR secretariat is headed by Ferid Shannoun, Acting Secretary of UNSCEAR.

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SECRETARIAT OF THE CARPATHIAN CONVENTION – UN ENVIRONMENT VIENNA

The Carpathian Convention promotes international cooperation for the protection and sustainable development of the Carpathians, Europe’s largest transboundary mountain region. The Vienna office is UN Environment’s global hub for work on mountains and the subregional hub for UN Environment in South-East Europe.

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UNITED NATIONS REGISTER OF DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WALL IN THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY (UNRoD)

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THE UNITED NATIONS WEBSITE

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January 2019

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United Nations holiday:
New Year’s Day

27
International Day of Commemoration
in Memory of the Victims of the
Holocaust

February 2019

1–7
World Interfaith Harmony Week

4
World Cancer Day (WHO)

6
International Day of Zero Tolerance to
Female Genital Mutilation (WHO)

11
International Day of Women and Girls
in Science

11–22
Committee on the Peaceful Uses of
Outer Space: Scientific and Technical
Subcommittee, 56th session, Vienna
(UNOOSA)

13
World Radio Day (UNESCO)

20
World Day of Social Justice

21
International Mother Language Day
(UNESCO)
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<td>High-level event on the Education for Justice (E4J) initiative, Vienna (UNODC)</td>
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May 2019

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United Nations holiday: May Day

2
World Tuna Day

3
World Press Freedom Day

6–10
Board of Governors Programme and Budget Committee, Vienna (IAEA)


Scholarship for Peace and Security in-person course (UNODA), Vienna

6–12
United Nations Global Road Safety Week

8–9
Time of Remembrance and Reconciliation for Those Who Lost Their Lives during the Second World War

11
World Migratory Bird Day (UNEP)

13–14
Women Higher Education for Peace, Vienna Forum, Vienna (UNODA)

15
International Day of Families

16
International Day of Living Together in Peace

17
World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (ITU)

18
“Vesak”, the Day of the Full Moon

20–24
Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, 28th session, Vienna (UNODC)

20
World Bee Day

21
World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

22
International Day for Biological Diversity

23
International Day to End Obstetric Fistula

25–31
Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories

29
International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers

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World No-Tobacco Day (WHO)
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World Environment Day (UNEP)  
International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing |
| 6    | Russian Language Day |
| 8    | World Oceans Day |
| 10–14| Board of Governors, Vienna (IAEA)  
United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, 66th session, Vienna (UNSCEAR) |
| 12–21| Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS), 62nd session, Vienna (UNOOSA) |
| 12   | World Day Against Child Labour (ILO) |
| 13   | International Albinism Awareness Day |
| 14   | World Blood Donor Day (WHO) |
| 15   | World Elder Abuse Awareness Day |
| 16   | International Day of Family Remittances |
| 17   | World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought |
| 18   | Sustainable Gastronomy Day |
| 19   | International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict |
| 20   | World Refugee Day |
| 21   | International Day of Yoga |
| 23   | United Nations Public Service Day  
International Widows’ Day |
| 25   | Day of the Seafarer (IMO) |
| 26   | International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking  
Launch of the 2018 World Drug Report (UNODC)  
United Nations International Day in Support of Victims of Torture |
| 27   | Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Day |
| 29   | International Day of the Tropics |
| 30   | International Asteroid Day  
International Day of Parliamentarism |
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October 2019

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International Day of Older Persons

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International Day of Non-Violence

4–10
World Space Week

5
World Teachers’ Day (UNESCO)

7–11
International conference on climate change and the role of nuclear power, Vienna (IAEA)

7
World Habitat Day

9
World Post Day

10
World Mental Health Day (WHO)

11
International Day of the Girl Child

12
World Migratory Bird Day (UNEP)

13
International Day for Disaster Reduction

15
International Day of Rural Women

16
World Food Day (FAO)

17
International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

24
United Nations Day

24–30
Disarmament Week

25
United Nations holiday: Austrian National Day (in lieu of 26 October)

27
World Day for Audiovisual Heritage (UNESCO)

31
World Cities Day
November 2019

2
International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists

3–7
General Conference, 18th session, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UNIDO)

5
World Tsunami Awareness Day

6
International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict

10
World Science Day for Peace and Development (UNESCO)

11–17
International Week of Science and Peace

14
World Diabetes Day

16
International Day for Tolerance

17
World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims

18–19
High-level event on the Global Judicial Integrity Network, Doha, Qatar (UNODC)

18–22
Board of Governors including Technical Assistance and Cooperation Committee, Vienna (IAEA)

19
World Toilet Day

20
Africa Industrialization Day

21
World Television Day

25
International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

29
International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

30
Day of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare (OPCW)
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Practical information: services at the Vienna International Centre

All shops and services are open from Monday-Friday unless otherwise stated.

Banking services: The two branches of Bank Austria with ATM machines outside are on the first floor of the C-Building (C01) and on the ground floor of the D-Building. Both open 9 a.m.–3 p.m., and until 5.30 p.m. on Thursdays.

Catering services: The VIC Cafeteria on the ground floor is open 7:30–10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.–2.30 p.m. (Coffee Corner 8 a.m.–3.30 p.m.). The VIC Restaurant also on the ground floor of the F building is open 11.30 a.m.–2.30 p.m. Table reservations can be made on the internal extension 4877 (01-26026-4877) (between 10 –11.30 a.m.). Quattro Uno Delegate Lounge located on the fourth floor of the C-Building is open from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. The Coffee Bar on the seventh floor of the C-Building is open from 9 a.m.–4.30 p.m. The Coffee Bar on the second floor of the C-Building is open during conferences. The Coffee Bar on the ground floor of the M-Building is open 9 a.m.–4.30 p.m. The Bar/Cocktail Lounge on the ground floor of the F-Building is open Mon–Thurs 11.30 a.m.–8 p.m. (7 p.m. in summer) Fri 11.30 a.m. –9 p.m. (8 p.m. in summer).

The dry-cleaning service on the ground floor of the G-Building (G0E79) is open 11.30 a.m.–3 p.m.

International newspapers, magazines and books are available from the Morawa newspaper stand on the ground floor of the Rotunda, which is open 6 a.m.–6 p.m.

The pharmacy, on the seventh floor of the F-Building (F0707), sells over-the-counter and prescription drugs and is open 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Internal extension: 21599.

The Post Office, on the first floor of the C-Building (C0101), is open 8 a.m–6 p.m.

Travel agent: American Express Travel is located on the ground floor near the Rotunda and is open 10 a.m.–4 p.m., and until 5.30 p.m. on Thursdays.

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To reach the VIC by public transport

Take the U1 underground line (U-Bahn) to Kaisermühlen-Vienna International Centre.

Other useful internal telephone numbers

Directory inquiries:  IAEA: 91  
                      CTBTO: 94  
                      UNIDO: 93  
                      UNOV: 93  

Emergency: 99 or external tel. no. 01-26060-99  
Lost and found: 3903 (FOE 21)  
Medical emergencies: internal ext. 22222 or external tel. no. 01-26060-22222 (8.30 a.m.–5.30 p.m. in winter or 8 a.m.–4.30 p.m. in summer) (F07)
The Director-General of the United Nations Office at Vienna, Yury Fedotov (right), welcomed the Mayor of Vienna, Michael Ludwig (left), to the Vienna International Centre for an event to mark the 30th anniversary of the Vienna Service Office (16 November 2018).

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