

WINTERSCHOOL ON ORGANIC ELECTRONICS

The Role of Interfaces

January 26th – January 31st, 2008
Universitäts-Sportheim Planneralm
Donnersbach, Austria

Information on the Site:

Location:

The site of the winterschool is located in the middle of the Austrian Alps, at the mountain range of the so called “Niedere Tauern” at an altitude of 1600 m. The Planneralm is a (relatively small) winter resort (www.planneralm.at, only German), which gives all possibilities for winter sport activities like skiing, snowboarding, cross-country skiing, etc.... In this resort you can find 2 chair lifts and 3 t-bar lifts.



It is a small ski resort with a minimal infrastructure, where you can find a small shop, a bar, a pub and further hotels! There is no bank or bancomat, but you could pay nearly everywhere with *MAESTRO*, Visa or Master/Eurocard. So be sure, that you have everything with you. The next village is approx. 30 min by car.

The Universitäts-Sportheim gives the possibility to combine university education with winter sport activities. Approved lecturers for skiing, snowboarding, ski-tours will be available for the participants of the winter school. You have the chance to rent skis, ski sticks and ski boots on site for approximately 90 ... 110 €. If you are interested in this service, please contact claudia.fritz@tugraz.at. The ski lift ticket for 5 half-days will cost approximately 130 €.

You will need some warm clothes and wind proofed clothes for skiing. The weather can be cold (-15 °C) in the nights! It can be windy, but it also can be warmer than 0 °C on a sunny day. Sunglasses, a ski cap or hat, a shawl, warm gloves, a small rucksack, a thick winter coat and warm winter shoes for cold days are necessary. Casual clothes to wear after skiing are required in the Sportheim. **Slippers are a must for the Sportheim.**

There will be a significant time-slot each day reserved for social interaction and leisure activities. These can for example include skiing. Skiing is associated with an increased risk of injury. Please note that these leisure activities are not an official part of the Winter School. Therefore, the organizers cannot accept any liability for

injuries in connection with the winter-school. The participants are required to ensure proper insurance for medical treatment in Austria and for any follow-up costs as well as for mountain rescue when participating in skiing tours. The organizers cannot accept any liability for costs arising from improper insurance.

Accommodation

The conference fee includes the accommodation for 6 nights and the meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner). The Universitäts-Sportheim can accommodate 70 guests in 2, 3 or 4-persons bedrooms. There are 15 bedrooms for 2, 9 bedrooms for 3 and 2 bedrooms for 4 people available. *The standard of the rooms is not very high. The bathrooms and toilettes are in the corridors on each floor. But you will enjoy the familiar and homelike atmosphere.*

A modern lecture room, with a video projector, a video- and TV-set, a slide projector, an overhead projector and a flip chart is located in the Universitäts-Sportheim. Additionally you can find lounges, a library, a TV-room, a gym and a sauna.