



## 10th ASPO Conference Program

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The 10th International ASPO Conference will take place in Vienna, Austria over the course of three days from May 30 to June 1st 2012. The program nears completion and **confirmed speaker details** can be found below the fold. The conference will cover a wide range of energy topics including the future availability of fossil energy, geopolitical perspectives on energy and infrastructure, economic and societal consequences of the 2nd half of the oil age, peak oil & urban design. To keep updated on conference details and for registration visit the conference website [www.aspo2012.at](http://www.aspo2012.at).

10th International ASPO Conference - Palais Niederösterreich, Vienna, Austria - May 30 to June 1st, 2012

Early bird registration at a discount of 100 euro ends 16 April 2012.

### Venue

ASPO 2012 will take place at Palais Niederösterreich, a historic building in the first district of Vienna, close to many sights of Vienna's inner city. The Palais has had a very eventful history. It was originally the home of the so-called estates, the political representatives of upper classes, knights, prelates and towns. The estates acquired the property in 1513 in order to be near the reigning prince and to hold assemblies in Vienna. Precious interiors such as the "Landhauskapelle" and the "Gotisches Zimmer" have been preserved from this late Gothic building

### PROGRAM

	<b>DAY 1 - 30 May 2012</b>
09:00 - 09:30	Opening of the Conference
	Paul Hohnen, Conference Facilitator
09:30 - 10:50	<b>10 Years of ASPO: Lessons learned &amp; Update</b>
	Speakers tba
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 - 12:45	<i>Climate Change and the sustainable use of resources</i> Helga Kromp-Kolb, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna
	<i>Unconventional oil and gas, a game changer?</i> Speaker tba

12:45 - 14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00 - 15:30	<b>Shale Gas Perspectives</b>	<b>Conventional or Unconventional oil: does the distinction matter?</b>
	<i>Learning from US Shale Gas</i> Arthur Berman, Director Labyrinth Consulting Services, Inc and board of directors ASPO USA	<i>The influence of marginal oil fields</i> Richard Miller, Oil Depletion Analysis Centre
	<i>Shale Gas - European Perspectives</i> Werner Zittel, Ludwig Bölkow Systemtechnik GmbH, Germany, ASPO Germany	<i>The Future of Unconventional Oil</i> Steve Mohr, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia
	<i>New approaches in shale gas exploration</i> OMV (tbc)	<i>The Influence of Enhanced Oil Recovery</i> Euan Mearns, University of Aberdeen, The Oil Drum
	Q&A	Q&A
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00 - 17:30	<b>Energy Security &amp; Geopolitical Dimensions of Energy availability</b>	
	<i>The Geopolitics of Oil &amp; Gas</i> Michael Klare, Five College Professor of Peace and World Security Studies (tbc)	
	<i>The Energy Security of DESERTEC</i> Karen Smith-Stegen, Professor at Bremer Energie Institut & Jacobs University	
15:30 - 17:00	Panel Discussion	
	Daniele Ganser, Director Swiss Institute for Peace and Energy Research	
	Karin Kneissl, independent energy analyst	
	Karen Smith-Stegen, Bremer Energie Institut & Jacobs University	
	Annika Vergin, Zentrum für Transformation der Bundeswehr (tbc)	
	Michael Klare, Five College Professor of Peace and World Security Studies (tbc)	
17:00 - 17:30	Plenary Closing session	

	<b>DAY 2 - 31 May 2012</b>
09:00 - 10:40	<b>Lessons Learned: Less oil - more problems?</b>
	<i>The Second law of Economics, Energy, Entropy and the Origins of Wealth</i> Reiner Kümmel, University of Würzburg, Germany

	<i>Economic consequences of Peak Oil</i> Robert Hirsch (tbc)	
	Arm Chair Discussion: Panelists tba	
10:40 - 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 - 12:45	<b>Vulnerability: Transport in a globalized economy</b>	<b>Affordability: The Future Costs of Oil &amp; Gas</b>
	<i>Peak Oil Mitigation in the Transport Sector</i> Jeremy Wakeford, Chairman ASPO South Africa	<i>Price Perspectives on Oil &amp; Gas</i> Oliver Rech, Co-Founder and Director of Energy Funds Advisor
	<i>Future Options for Heavy Transport Vehicles</i> Stefan Hausberger, Technical University Graz	<i>Oil and Financial Markets</i> Johannes Benigni, JBC Energy (tbc)
	Further speakers tba	
12:45 - 14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00 - 15:45	<b>Where to invest for a secure and sustainable energy future?</b>	
	Claudia Kemfert, Professor Hertie School of Governance and Head of the Energy, Transportation and Environment Department at the German Institute for Economic Research in Berlin	
	Further Speakers tba	
15:45 - 16:15	Coffee Break	
16:15 - 17:45	<b>Peak Oil and Urban Design</b>	<b>Towards a new Energy System - Coping with storage as a bottleneck</b>
	Ugo Bardi, University of Florence & ASPO Italy	Binu Parthan, Deputy Director General REEEP (tbc)
	Peter Droege, University of Liechtenstein and President of Eurosolar	Wolfgang Streicher, University of Innsbruck
	Christoph Chorcherr, Member of the City Council Vienna	Hermann Pengg, CTO of Solar Fuel
	Further Panelist tba	Further Panelist tba
17:45	Roundup	

	<b>DAY 3 - 1 JUNE 2012</b>	
09:00 - 10:45	<i>On the verge of an energy transition</i>	
	Jeremy Leggett, UK Industry Taskforce on Peak Oil & Energy Security, Solarcentury	
	Panel discussion: Political perspectives	
10:45 - 11:15	Coffee Break	
11:15 - 13:00	<i>Outlook &amp; Conclusion</i>	
	Nate Hagens, Institute for Integrated Economic Research	
	Organisers & ASPO International	
	Finale Resumee	



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