



Annual member report

GENERAL INFORMATION		
Year	2024	
Association	Berufsverband Österreichischer Restauratorinnen und Restauratoren ÖRV	
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No. regular members	309	No. associate members SUM=79, 20 Corresponding, 11 Retired, 48 in Training
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY		
International activity (meetings, visits, international projects...)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - November 2023 ENCoRE Meeting in Vienna - November 2023 ÖRV GA with Elis Marçal as Guest - April 2024 Symposium "Estimation, planning, calculating: The taboo subject of hourly rates in restoration", organized by ÖRV, Town Hall of Vienna with international Guests - May 2024 – E.C.C.O. PM and GA in Bratislava - The 3rd conference series "The Green Museum" was supported by the ÖRV, organised by Deutsche Kongress GmbH 	
Events related to the C-R profession (lectures, meetings, workshops, exhibitions, etc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visit of The Jewish Museum Vienna - Collection history and conservation challenges, a review after almost 30 years - Guided tour through at the Kunsthistorisches Museum Vienna, exhibition "Raphael - Gold & Silk" - Guided Tour through the Weltmuseum Wien, which was reopened in 2017 after three years of renovation - Guided tour of the workshops Porzellanmanufaktur Augarten - Guided Tour given an extremely interesting insight behind the scenes and into the display collection of the Prehistoric Department at the Natural History Museum Vienna - Guided Tour of the restoration of the decorative paintings by Pietro Isella in rooms XXVII-XXIX, Natural History Museum Vienna - Guided tour of the historical depot of the Imperial Carriage Museum, Kunst Historisches Museum, tour given by Museumsverband - Guided Tour at Museum am Dom St. Pölten - Meeting on the topic Extended climate corridor - Preparation for the anniversary conference 2025 - 40 years of the ÖRV in cooperation with the Wien Museum 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The conservator business jam - a monthly digital coworking space for self-employed conservators exclusively for members of the ÖRV
Educational Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ADHESIVE MESH – WORKSHOP: application of adhesive meshes made from starch paste/glue mixtures
Political activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monument talk – a public talk/interview with our president Susanne Beseler: Current topics and controversial viewpoints were discussed, thus raising awareness of monument protection and preservation or looking at them from a different perspective. - The ÖRV is currently working on a document on the recommendations of the hourly rates for restorers - We worked intensively on the revision of the NACE Code, the Austrian Federal Statistical Office (STAT) agreed to involve the ÖRV in the translation of the English-language NACE code into the Austrian Ö-NACE code. Our recommendations were submitted to STAT at the beginning of November. - In autumn 2023 a preliminary discussion on the topic of free trade took place with our President Susanne Beseler and Prof. Dr Reinhard Kainz, Managing Director of the Federal Trade and Crafts Division of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber. - The ÖRV took part at the round table at the Federal Monuments Office at the end of November on the subject of the Gilding Guild - In autumn 2023, we were asked to write a statement during the review phase of the amendment to the Cultural Heritage Protection Act. The review phase ended on 28 December 2024. Although only a few of our proposals were likely to be included in the legal text, we were at least able to ensure that at least one place for a conservator on the Monument Advisory Board was firmly anchored in the legal text.
Achievements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We have a new website – with a new design and new content, including a login area for our members - Our president, Susanne Beseler, was appointed a permanent member of the Monument Advisory Board for a period of six years by the Federal Ministry of Art, Culture, the Civil Service and Sport.
Obstacles/ Difficulties	We are currently working on the new statutes; the process is taking much longer than expected
DISSEMINATION	
Promotional Activity (lectures, meetings, workshops, exhibitions...)	We have a newsletter for our members, promoting events and sending job ads for conservator-restorer and similar offers in the cultural sector.
European Day of Conservation-Restoration	There were several workshops open for visiting, including the Universities, which held Open Days with guided tours on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday
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OTHER ACTIVITIES	
<p>The ÖRV has a long history and its archive has grown steadily over the years. This archive includes records, journals, conference proceedings and minutes of various meetings and general assemblies. Until now, the archive has been stored in various locations. Last year 2023, however, it was decided to transfer the archive to a centralised location at the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna in Augasse, where it is currently being viewed and sorted.</p> <p>Andrea Hackl had to step down from the Board at the end of 2023 for professional reasons. In April 2024 we were able to co-opt Eleonora Weixelbaumer and Andreas Schretthauser as new Board members.</p> <p>Our Board consists of:</p> <p>Susanne Beseler (President) Sabina Simonič (Vice President, E.C.C.O Delegate) Theresia Burkheiser (Secretary) Barbara Rankl (Deputy Secretary) Michael Formanek (Treasurer) Andreas Schretthauser (Deputy Treasurer) Caroline Göllner (Membership administration) Meral Hietz Deputy (Member Administration) Elias Campidell (Sponsoring) Anna Boomgaarden (Homepage) Irina Huller (Homepage) Ursula Huber-Kainz (Structural Support) Eleonora Weixelbaumer (Structural Support) Thomas Stangl (Conservator in training University of Applied Arts Vienna) Laura Wurm (Conservator in training Academy of Fine Arts Vienna)</p>	
COMMENTS	