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# ILLICIT NETWORKS WORKSHOP

JUNE 29-30, 2026  
VIENNA, AUSTRIA

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**Complexity  
Science ★ Hub**

**Global Crime**

# Foreword

**Welcome to the Illicit Networks Workshop!**

We are delighted to welcome you to Vienna and make it a memorable and pleasurable conference. Here you will find tips and suggestions for our city, as well as some events that we have organised outside the schedule of the conference. The objective of this is for you to experience the best parts of our city

We look forward to seeing you during the conference and at our social events!

## Some common Austrian phrases

Grüß Gott (grus god)



Hello!

Wie geht's? (vi gets)



How are you?

Oida



cool



GIORGIO ARMANI

RSEG

GRABEN 25

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FABEN

COMPER

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WESK

DEO PATRI CREATORI

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# Welcome reception

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

**From 17:00 to 19:00**

**Complexity Science Hub**

**Metternichgasse 8**

# Useful tips

**Moving in Vienna:** Buy a weekly metro ticket (it always works Monday to Sunday). You can rent a bike with your phone (download NextBike app). Metro opens at 5:00 and closes just after midnight from Sunday to Thursday. It opens 24h on Friday and Sunday. From the airport, you can take a train to Vienna Central (Wien Hbf). There are other options (like a fast train called CAT, or a taxi).

**Electricity:** In Austria, the power plug sockets are of type F. The standard voltage is 230 V, and the frequency is 50 Hz. Standard European system.

**Eating in Vienna:** Try a Sacher Cake, an Apfelstrudel, a kaiserschmarrn, a Schnitzel and Manner waffles.





**Experience the Opera:** You might find some cheap tickets. Queue at the Opera at 17:00 and get a cheap ticket (more formal clothes than for a conference).

**Things close very early:** You might be used to finding a supermarket open until late, but here in Vienna, most things close very early (19:00 is normal) and many things are closed on Sunday. You can still find some smaller shops nearby petrol stations.

**We love cash (not):** Many restaurants and bars in Vienna are cash-only, so carrying a little cash is recommended.

**Emergency number:** 112

# Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June

	Start	End	
			Bernhard Haslhofer; David Décary-Héту; Rafael Prieto-Curiel
Welcome	09:00	09:15	<b>Introducing Global Crime &amp; Taylor &amp; Francis</b> Francesco Calderoni; Sadaf Hashimi
Keynote	09:15	09:45	<b>Collaboration or Disconnect? The Real Impact of Research in Law Enforcement.</b> Thomas Goger
Session 1	09:45	10:30	<b>The role of darknet marketplaces for the supply of highly potent synthetic opioids</b> Meropi Tzanetakis; Teodora Groshkova <b>How Prescription Regimes Shape Illicit Demand and Supply in Online Drug Markets</b> Filippo Andrei; Ákos Szigeti; Richard Frank <b>The role of prescription drugs in darknet markets</b> Katharina Ledebur; Richard Frank; Bernhard Haslhofer
Break	10:30	11:00	
Session 2	11:00	12:30	<b>Decoding the Global Cocaine Supply Chain</b> Bart Peters; Frederike Oetker; Robby Roks; Huijuan Wang <b>Beyond Source-Transit-Destination: Using Social Network Analysis and Clustering to Identify Dynamic Country Roles in Global Cocaine and Heroin Flow Networks</b> Phillip Screen <b>Cocaine Trafficking via Container Ships, Dynamics between Corruption, and Inspections: A Neural Network Agent-Based Model</b> Maykol Rodriguez Prieto; Daniel Cárdenas Sánchez <b>The Evolution of Drug-Control Regulation: A Network Approach</b> Alyssa Meier; Corinna Coupette <b>The emergence crime-as-a-service money laundering networks in the Netherlands</b> Paul Duijn
Break	12:30	13:30	
Session 3	13:30	15:00	<b>Layers of Trust: Multiplex Social Ties and the Structural Organization of the Sinaloa Cartel Network from El Chapo's Trial</b> Francesco Calderoni <b>Exploring the Dynamic Interplay between Communication and Co-offending Using Relational Hyperevent Data on an Italian Mafia Network</b> Tomáš Diviák; Caterina Paternoster; Jürgen Lerner; Francesco Calderoni <b>Structural Patterns in Interfamily Marriages in the 'Ndrangheta</b> Caterina Paternoster; Daniele Durante; Maurizio Catino; Alberto Aziani <b>Mapping the 'mafia cultural-digital drift'. A digital ethnography of networks of Calabrian parochialism and 'ndrangheta values on TikTok</b> Anna Sergi <b>Mapping the shadows: Graph-theoretic intelligence and behavioral clusteric across the TRON Transaction Network</b> Tammay Thapliyal and Rachit Agarwal
Break	15:00	15:30	
Session 4	15:30	16:40	<b>Social foraging for crime: A formal model of co-offending dynamics</b> Ruslan Klymentiev; P. Jeffrey Brantingham; Rafael Prieto-Curiel; Luis E. C. Rocha Christophe Vandeuiver <b>Evolving Ties: A Longitudinal Analysis of Youth Peer Network Dynamics in a British Columbia Youth Recreational Centre</b> Courtney Robertson; Martin Bouchard <b>Structural determinants of youth violent victimisations: Evidence from Cambridgeshire, UK</b> Paolo Campana; Noemi Corsini; Cecilia Meneghini <b>Predicting the formation of co-offending ties among Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Affiliates</b> David Bright, Callum Jones, Tomáš Diviák, Chad Whelan and Hamid Azizi
Closing	16:40		
Dinner	18:00		

# Karaoke night!

## When?

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June

## What time?




From 19:00

## Where?

little stage

ramperstorffergasse 66  
1050 Vienna

# Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June

	Start	End	
Opening	09:00	09:15	Day 2 Introduction
Session 5	09:15	10:30	<p><b>In Friends We Trust: Peer Networks, Trust, and the Social Organisation of Corrupt Exchange in FIFA World Cup Bidding</b> Lucas Tosi Rodriguez; Sarah Osman; Stefano Caneppele</p> <p><b>Adaptive dynamics of procurement corruption: A multilevel longitudinal network analysis of municipal contracting in Guatemala, 2012–2026</b> Harald Waxenecker; Christina Prell</p> <p><b>State capture in the Italian public procurement network</b> Marti Medina-Hernandez; Mihaly Fazekas; Janos Kertesz</p> <p><b>Shaming Epstein’s licit and illicit networks</b> Michael Levi</p>
Break	10:30	11:00	
Session 6	11:00	12:30	<p><b>Illicit Enterprise and Innovation: A Comparison of Two Financial Malware Networks</b> Jonathan Lusthaus; Michael Levi; Rutger Leukfeldt; Thomas Holt; Edward Kleemans</p> <p><b>White-Label Fraud Ecosystems: Campaign Clustering and Multiplex Infrastructure Network Analysis of Online Investment Scams</b> Ashleigh Rhea Gonzales Burnside; Ian MacKinnon</p> <p><b>Hybrid Criminal Ecosystems: A Network Theory of Corruption–Cybercrime Convergence</b> Issa Luna-Pla</p> <p><b>Understanding illicit knowledge sharing on online platforms in the facilitation of economic crime and cyber crime</b> Rose Alexander; Jess Kelly; David Décaray-Héту; Samantha Dowling</p>
Break	12:30	13:30	
Session 7	13:30	15:00	<p><b>Operation Alice: Insights into Shared Cryptocurrency Infrastructure Across Dark Web Sites</b> Thomas Niedermayer; Eljo Haspels</p> <p><b>Beyond Individual Vulnerability: A Temporal Network Analysis of Incel Radicalisation in Online Forums</b> Giorgia Caon</p> <p><b>Beyond Events: Political and Structural Drivers of Interstate Cyber Relations</b> Gaia Michelazzi</p> <p><b>Modeling the evolution of human trafficking networks using Bayesian network reconstruction methods</b> Felipe Aros-Vera; Edward Asante</p> <p><b>Understanding self-starter terrorism: a network mobilization perspective</b> Michael Genkin and Alexander Gutfraind</p>
Break	15:00	15:30	
Session 8	15:30	15:50	<p><b>Selecting For Certainty: How Workplace Friendships Form and Function in Police Work</b> Marie Ouellet; Sadaf Hashimi</p>
Closing	15:50	16:00	<p><b>Looking ahead. The Future of the Illicit Networks Workshop.</b> Scientific Committee Members</p>
Closing	16:00		Closing Remarks & Farewell

# TOURIST TIPS!



## Kahlenberg

a scenic hill on the edge of Vienna, famous for its sweeping views over the city and the Danube.

pleasant place to walk and great vineyards.

## Schönbrunn palace

Vienna's grand former imperial summer residence, known for its magnificent rooms, vast formal gardens, and rich Habsburg history.



## Day trip to Bratislava

easy and popular excursion from Vienna (you can even go by boat!).



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