



I. LETTER OF THE PRESIDENT

Salzburg, 27. März 2026

Liebe Mitglieder der Europäischen Akademie der Wissenschaften und Künste,

herzliche Ostergrüße aus dem frühlingshaften Salzburg! Ich danke noch einmal allen Mitgliedern und Amtsträgern, die zum Gelingen der Jahresveranstaltungen vor einigen Wochen in Salzburg beigetragen haben.

Auf dem Roundtable am 6. März unter dem Titel „Challenges of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts for the Future of Europe“ haben sich die neuen Vizepräsidenten und Dekane vorgestellt, um Ihre programmatischen Ideen für die neue Amtsperiode zu erläutern. Das Amt eines Dekans besteht eben nicht nur darin, neue Mitglieder in den Senatssitzungen zu wählen, sondern neue Initiativen für die einzelnen Klassen (am besten gleich mit finanzieller Planung) anzustoßen und zu realisieren. Bitte gehen auch Sie als Mitglieder auf die Dekane Ihrer Klassen zu, um Projekte zu unterstützen und anzuregen. Denn – wie vielfach auf der Festveranstaltung betont – wir wollen eine interdisziplinär und international arbeitende Akademie sein und nicht nur, wie häufig bei Akademien, eine Versammlung älterer Würdenträger. Deshalb haben wir auch die Idee einer „jungen Akademie“ aufgegriffen.

Von den neuen Projekten in diesem Jahr möchte ich die ANSO-EASA Conference on „Applied AI and Complex Systems“ hervorheben, da sie als erstes peer-reviewed Projekt der Akademie beispielhaft ist. Grundlagenforschung über Künstliche Intelligenz (AI) wird mit Anwendungen in Themen der Landwirtschaft, Ökologie, Gesundheit etc. verbunden. Das trifft auch für das Projekt „Supercomputing, AI, and the Future of Europe“ zu, das kürzlich von der EASA, der Bayerischen Akademie der Wissenschaften und dem Institute for Advanced Studies der TU München mit EU-Repräsentanten, Firmen und Stiftungen durchgeführt wurde. Dazu wird ein White Paper mit Empfehlungen für Regierungsstellen vorbereitet.

Supercomputing und AI-Factories tragen erheblich zum Energieverbrauch weltweit bei. Die Energiefrage ist ein Schlüsselproblem, das Umwelt- und Klimafragen ebenso berührt wie unsere weltpolitischen Krisen, Konflikte und Kriege. Angestrebt ist in unserem Projekt, Supercomputing und AI mit dem europäischen Green Deal energieeffizient und damit umweltfreundlich zu verbinden. Was Umwelt betrifft, so werden EASA-Mitglieder der Klasse V und VI und des Institute for Earth System Preservation (IESP) ein Projekt zum Grundwasser-, Boden- und Umweltschutz aufnehmen.

Was die weltpolitische und europäische Krisenbewältigung betrifft, so wird die EASA Mitglied in der Conference of International Non-Governmental Organisations (CINGO) des Europarats (CoE) als Zentrum kultureller Kompetenz für den Europarat CoE und folglich für die Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE). Es ist das Ziel, aktiv zur weiteren Entwicklung von sowohl Europarat als auch OSCE beizutragen, besonders in den Feldern der nationalen, supranationalen und internationalen Wissenschafts- und Kulturpolitik.

Hier ist auch unsere Klasse Weltreligionen gefragt. Beim Antrittsbesuch des Präsidiums beim Erzbischof von Salzburg wurde ein Arbeitskreis der Akademie für diese Fragen mit Kirchenvertretern angeregt. Auch der Brückenschlag von Science and Arts geht in der bewährten Weise weiter. Ich bitte Sie dazu,



das Programm von „Arts meets Science“ zu verfolgen. Auch hier ist Ihr Engagement nicht nur als Teilnehmer, sondern auch als Redner gefragt.

Um Projekte durchführen zu können, bedarf es einer guten Governance der Akademie. Deshalb wurde vom Präsidium ein Komitee bestellt, das sich mit einer Überarbeitung der By-Laws unter professioneller Leitung der beiden Juraprofessorinnen im Präsidium, Verica Trstenjak als Vizepräsidentin und Expertin für Europäisches Recht und Marianne Roth als Expertin für österreichisches Recht und internationales Schiedsgericht, beschäftigt.

Mit diesen Informationen über die Arbeit der Akademie wünsche ich Ihnen eine schöne Osterzeit und bitte Sie nochmals, sich zu engagieren und mit ihren Dekanen/Dekaninnen die Aktivität der Klassen zu fördern. Wie immer finden Sie in diesen Greetings einen Überblick über die kommenden Veranstaltungen, die Sie auch unserer Webseite entnehmen können. Wenn Sie den Eindruck haben, dass Sie E-mails der Akademie nicht erreichen, bitte im EASA-Office melden. Dort gibt es eine genaue Liste, an welche E-Mail Adressen Informationen versendet wurden.

Herzliche Grüße

Klaus Mainzer
Präsident/President

der Europäischen Akademie der Wissenschaften und Künste
of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts

LETTER in English

Salzburg, March 27, 2026

Dear Members of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts,

Warm Easter greetings from spring-like Salzburg! I would like to thank once again all members, colleagues, and the EASA-office who contributed to the success of the annual events held in Salzburg a few weeks ago.

At the roundtable on 6 March, entitled ‘Challenges of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts for the Future of Europe’, the new Vice-Presidents, Deans, and Vice Deans introduced themselves and presented their programmatic ideas for the new term of office for discussion. The role of a dean is not merely to elect new members at the Senate meetings, but to initiate and implement new initiatives for the individual classes (ideally accompanied by financial planning). As members, please, also approach the deans of your classes to support and suggest projects. For – as was emphasised many times at the annual events in Salzburg – we want to be an interdisciplinary and internationally working academy, and not merely, as is often the case with academies, an assembly of elderly dignitaries. That is why we have also taken up the idea of a “young academy”.



Of this year's new projects, the ANSO-EASA Conference on 'Applied AI and Complex Systems' is particularly noteworthy, as it is the Academy's first peer-reviewed project and serves as a model. Basic research in artificial intelligence (AI) is combined with applications in fields such as agriculture, ecology and health. This also applies to the project "Supercomputing, AI, and the Future of Europe", which was recently carried out by the EASA, the Bavarian Academy of Sciences, and the Institute for Advanced Studies (IAS) at the Technical University of Munich (TUM), in collaboration with EU representatives, companies and foundations. A white paper containing recommendations for government bodies is currently being prepared.

Supercomputing and AI factories contribute significantly to global energy consumption. The energy issue is a key problem that affects environmental and climate issues as well as our global political crises, conflicts and wars. The aim of our project is to combine supercomputing and AI with the European Green Deal in an energy-efficient and therefore environmentally friendly manner. With regard to the environment, EASA members of Classes V and VI and the Institute for Earth System Preservation (IESP) will launch a project on groundwater, soil and environmental protection.

With regard to global and European crisis management, EASA will become a member of the Council of Europe's (CoE) Conference of International Non-Governmental Organisations (CINGO) as a centre of cultural expertise for the Council of Europe (CoE) and, consequently, for the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE). The aim is to contribute actively to the further development of both the Council of Europe and the OSCE, particularly in the fields of national, supranational and international science and cultural policy.

This is also where our class of World Religions comes into its own. During the Presidium's inaugural visit to the Archbishop of Salzburg, a working group of the Academy on these issues involving church representatives was proposed. The bridge-building between science and the arts also continues in the familiar manner of the past. I would ask you to follow the 'Arts meets Science' programme. Here, too, your involvement is required not only as a participant but also as a speaker.

In order to carry out projects, the Academy requires sound governance. For this reason, the Presidium has appointed a committee to undertake a revision of the By-Laws under the professional guidance of the two law professors on the Presidium: Verica Trstenjak, as Vice-President and an expert in European law, and Marianne Roth, as an expert in Austrian law and international arbitration law.

With this update on the Academy's work, I wish you a happy Easter and would like to ask you once again to get involved and work with your deans to encourage class participation. As always, you will find in these Greetings an overview of upcoming events, which can also be found on our website. If you feel that emails from the Academy are not reaching you, please contact the EASA Office. They have a detailed list and control of the email addresses to which information has been sent.

Best wishes and kind regards,

Klaus Mainzer

Präsident/President

der Europäischen Akademie der Wissenschaften und Künste
of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts

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II. EVENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

COLLOQUIUM ARTS MEET SCIENCES

SUMMER SEMESTER 2026

April 10 till July 3, 2026

Organizers:

Violeta Dinescu, Livia Teodorescu Ciocanea, Yue Zhao, Andrew Balas, Peter Hermann, Dušan Šuput

First Colloquium: April 10: [Yue Zhao](#) & [Pavlos Kavouras](#)

Online

[PROGRAM FLYER](#)

SPECIALIZED COLLOQUIUM/1st ROUND

Protection of Cultural Property in Crisis and Conflict/“Crossroads in art, cultural heritage and new technologies“

Location: online

Dates. February 6, February 18, April 17, May 4 and May 27, 2026

EASA, Hellenic Blue Shield, Hungarian National Commission for UNESCO, National Center of Excellence Green Heritage Science, University of Ljubljana (LU),
organisation: **Ioannis Liritzis** (Vice-President EASA)

[PROGRAM FLYER](#)

COLLOQUIUM ON PORTABLE X-RAY FLUORESCENCE

April 22, 2026, 05: 00-07: 00 p.m. CEST/ Online Colloquium

Organisation and Chair: **Ioannis Liritzis** (Vice-President EASA)

Co-Organisation:

Michaela Schauer, Vienna Institute for Archaeological Science (VIAS), Keelie Rix, CASES Research Group, Dept. of Humanities, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (CASEs UPF), The Global p-XRF Network (GopXRF.net)

[PROGRAM-FLYER](#)

THE 10th BFF CONFERENCE

Date: 10.07.26 - 11.07.2026

The 10th BFF Conference brings together researchers working in Bayesian, Fiducial, and Frequentist statistics, fostering exchange between theoretical developments and practical applications. The 2026 edition will be held in Salzburg and is organized in close cooperation with the BFF Community: bff-stat.org

Chair: **Arne Bathke, Class IV**

Dates: July 10–11, 2026, CEST

Venue: NaWi – University of Salzburg/Hellbrunnerstraße 34

Lecture Hall: 402 (“Blue Auditorium”)

Social Events:

Conference Dinner: Sternbräu Salzburg (July 10)

Pre-Conference Reception: July 9 (to be confirmed)

Further details will be announced closer to the conference.

[BFF CONFERENCE REGISTRATION](#)



[1st CONFERENCE DIALOGUES4PEACE](#)

October 25-27,2026

LEAD

Klaus Mainzer, President EASA

Ioannis Liritzis, Vice-President EASA

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

[Organizing Committee | 1st Dialogues for Peace Conference | HIS 2026](#)

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

[Scientific Committee | 1st Dialogues for Peace Conference | HIS 2026](#)

PROMOTION CHAIR

[Promotion Chair | 1st Dialogues for Peace Conference | HIS 2026](#)

CONFERENCE TOPICS

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The Program will be announced soon

REGISTRATION

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Place: Athens, Greece/Zappaion Megaron

ANSO-EASA Conference on Applied AI and Complex Systems (CAS-ANSO-C1A-2025-04)

November 2026

THE KAPODISTRIAN LECTURES

December 4, 2026, Athens, in partnership with [PARNASSUS Literary Society](#)

Organisation: **Ioannis Liritzis** (Vice-President, EASA)

First invited speaker: Lenart Skof, Director, ZRS Koper public research institute, Koper, Slovenia.

Initiative:

Source2Sea: Bartók 3.0 Connectivity

Organisation: **Ioannis Liritzis** (Vice-President EASA)

Source2Sea: Bartók 3.0 Connectivity is an international project that officially began in February 2026. Its goal is to connect freshwater and ocean systems by integrating scientific research, cultural heritage, and ethical digital innovation.

The project is led by the UNESCO Chair in Water Conflict Management in Hungary and has partners across Europe, Asia, and Africa...

From an EASA perspective, one of the strongest features of Source2Sea is its inherently interdisciplinary and transregional architecture. It creates a meeting ground for the humanities, environmental studies, heritage research, education, technology, and sustainability-oriented governance. This aligns well with EASA's profile as a learned society committed to scientific and societal progress through innovative research, interdisciplinary exchange, and transnational collaboration...[MORE INFORMATION](#)

III. RECEIVED PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

KLAUS MAINZER

[Complexity, Artificial Intelligence, and Emerging Technologies. Innovation in the 21st Century](#)

World Scientific Singapore 2025 (Volume 1 of the new Book Series (Ed. K. Mainzer), Complexity, Artificial Intelligence, and Emerging Technologies, World Scientific Singapore),

ISBN 978-9819813131, [AMAZON](#)

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LUDWIG TAVERNIER & co authors,

[COVID-19. Cultural Studies-Research and Essays,](#)

Published: March 2, 2026, VOL 1 of the Publications of the European Academy of Sciences and Art | Class III.

In late 2019, the Corona virus caused a worldwide outbreak of the infectious disease COVID-19. Lockdowns, quarantine and mandatory masks were only some of the drastic consequences on the everyday life of societies. This volume contains essays examining various aspects of the pandemic and its consequences from the perspectives of cultural studies, economics, sociology, linguistics, and psychology. ISBN: 978-3-658-50203-4, Edition: Springer VS, [AMAZON](#)

KLAUS MAINZER, GERHARD L.FASCHING,

Authors & Editors

[FESTSCHRIFT FELIX UNGER 80](#)

Published: March 7, 2026

This programmatic Festschrift constitutes a scholarly tribute presented by the Presidium and the Senate to the Founder, President, and present Honorary President of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts (EASA), Professor emeritus Dr Dr h.c. mult. Felix Unger, on the occasion of his 80th birthday in 2026. Conceived as a document of its time, it honours his life and achievements in cardiac surgery as well as his life's work, the EASA. Its culminating focus is formed by his reflections on a European Federation as a realistic utopia for the further development of Europe on the foundation of shared values.

EASA Press (1.) 2026, European Academy of Sciences and Arts Publishing House/1st Volume in German and English

ISBN: 978-3-903611-01-6

KLAUS MAINZER & ANNA VANADIS FAIX (Alma Mater Europea-ECH),

Authors & Editors

[DAS HERZ EUROPAS-Wissenschaft, Humanität und Verantwortung](#)

Published: March 7, 2026

Festschrift für Prof. Dr.Dr.h.c.mult.Felix Unger zum 80. Geburtstag

This commemorative volume pays tribute to his life's work and his vision of a Europe united through dialogue, scholarship and shared values. It brings together contributions from his companions, colleagues and leading figures from the fields of medicine, philosophy, the natural sciences, politics, economics and culture.

Publishing House: Alma Mater Europea ECH, Scientia Press, Herrenberg, ISBN 978-3-9828282-0-6

IV. WE ANNOUNCE

[EASA ANNUAL REPORT 2025](#) (please click)

[SPRINGER NATURE AWARD](#)

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