Here are some information for travel to the venue:

**Train**: Vienna is serviced by three main train stations and the details for them follows.

1. If your train arrives at **Wien Hauptbahnhof** (Vienna Central Train Station) then, take either **S3** or the **Regional Express train** (marked by **R** or **REX**) to **Mödling** station, there you will have to change to **bus 364** in the direction of **Gruberau**. The stop to get down from the bus will be called **Sparbach Tiergartensiedlung** or a combination of these two words with possibly Wienerbald written in between. The venue is then a short walk away from this stop.

The platform for the S3 and REX in this case is Platform 1 (in the direction of Meidling), this platform is about 2 minutes walk from the platforms for long distance trains.

- 2. If your train arrives at **Wien Meidling** station then the information is exactly same as the previous bullet point, because the S3 and the REX will pass via Meidling from Hauptbahnhof, so please refer to the above.
- 3. The third major station in Vienna is called **Wien Westbahnhof** and if you arrive there, then the best option is to take the **metro U6** in the direction of **Siebenhirten** and get down at the stop called **Meidling or Wien Meidling** (both mean the same thing), and then follow the directions from the previous bullet point.

The frequency of trains is about 1 connection every two hours. There are some other bus routes which exist but the options presented here seemed the easiest and cheapest ones to me.

In all these cases, you can buy the tickets either at the ticket machines or in the ticket counters at all the stations mentioned or use the Austrian Railways App or website (<a href="https://tickets.oebb.at/de/ticket/">https://tickets.oebb.at/de/ticket/</a>) to buy them. The S3 and REX inside the city limits acts as normal rapid transport trains and if you hold a valid Vienna public transport pass then you can use them to travel to the last stop within the city zone (which is Wien Liesing in this case), and then buy your ticket from that stop onwards. This is specially true for people coming from Westbahnhof, as to your metro ticket can be used until Leising even on the S3 or REX.

However, note that a single ticket means a single journey and you cannot break your journey or take a circuitous route, but any pass above 24 hour validity can be use as you wish. A very detailed description of the Vienna

metro system can be found in this unofficial website: <a href="https://homepage.univie.ac.at/horst.prillinger/ubahn/english/">https://homepage.univie.ac.at/horst.prillinger/ubahn/english/</a> and in the official website of Wiener Linien (<a href="https://www.wienerlinien.at/eportal3/">https://www.wienerlinien.at/eportal3/</a>) who manages all public transport in Vienna.

**Bus**: Vienna is again serviced by three main bus stops for international buses, and the detailed travel information is below:

- Vienna Erdberg: This stop is mainly used by Flixbus, and other small companies. If you arrive here, then take the metro U3 in the direction of Ottakring and get down at Wien Mitte Landstrasse station. From there take the Regional Express train (also called R or REX) to Mödling station. From there on, the directions are same as in the directions for the first bullet point for trains above.
- 2. Vienna Stadion: This stop is mainly used by Regiojet. If you arrive here, then take the metro U2 in the direction of Karlsplatz and get down at Pratestern station. From there take the Regional Express train (also called R or REX) to Mödling station. From there on, the directions are same as in the directions for the first bullet point for trains above.
- 3. **Vienna Hauptbahnhof**: This station is adjacent to the train station (see above Trains bullet point 1) and is about 3 minutes walk to the main station. From here follow the same directions as before in the Train bullet point 1.

In all the above cases, the buying of tickets, etc. is the same as already mentioned below the travel information for trains (see above).

**Flights**: The closest airport is the Vienna International Airport. However, several budget airlines have flights to the nearby Bratislava airport (about 1.5 hours to Vienna main city by bus), so I will mention the information for both.

- 1. **Vienna International Airport (Flughafen Wien)**: From the airport there are four options to come to the city and thereon to the venue, which are mentioned below:
  - (i) **By S-bahn**: Take the S7 (or sometimes other S-bahns as well service) from the Airport station and get down at Wien Rennweg station. From there take the **Regional Express train** (also called R or REX) to **Mödling** station. From there on, the directions are same as in the directions for the first bullet point for trains above.

- (ii) **By RailJet**: Take the RailJet (the Austrian fast trains) to Wien Hauptbahnhof and from there the directions are same as in the directions for the first bullet point for trains above.
- (iii) By City Airport Train (CAT): Take the CAT to Wien Mitte Landstrasse station. From there take the Regional Express train (also called R or REX) to Mödling station. From there on, the directions are same as in the directions for the first bullet point for trains above.
- (iv) **By Vienna Airport Lines (bus)**: This is bus service which you can take from the airport, there are several stops in the city, the first is the **Wien Hauptbahnhof**, get down there and follow the same directions as in the case of Trains bullet point 1 above.

Since, the choices might be overwhelming, let me say which one I would prefer. The easiest and cheapest as well as fastest option would be to take the S-bahn (bullet point (i) above). Since, the airport is located in a different zone from the main city, so here you will have to buy a ticket from scratch for the entire trip. There are ticket machines and ticket counters, but they are usually quite busy. The airport has free wifi, so the best option would be to use the Austrian railways app to purchase the ticket.

All the trains mentioned leave every 30 minutes from the airport, while the bus leaves every hour from the airport.

2. Bratislava Airport: Flixbus serves the route from Bratislava Airport to Vienna Erdberg with ticket prices starting from 5 Euros for one trip. The information from Erdberg is already mentioned in Bus bullet point 1 (see above). Slovak Lines serves the route from Bratislava Airport to Sudtiroler Platz (which is the same place as Wien Hauptbahnhof), for travel information from here check Trains bullet point 1 above.

Car: For this, I do not have ready information, so I will just write the translation of what the venue website says: via the A21 Austrian highway, at the circle, exit at Hinterbrühl. At the exit, take direction Sittendorf. After the first intersection, the second entrance on the right side of the street.

Probably using Google Maps would be better then this translation.

**Cycle**: Vienna is a cycle friendly city, so if you are adventurous, there are various bike routes that can be taken to go to the venue. From the city, using a cycle would take about an hour and a half to reach the place, contrast this

to trains which takes about 50 minutes to an hour. Google Maps usually shows a good cycle route in Austria.

**Foot**: May the Force be with you!