The **Austrian Institute for International Politics** (OIIP), Vienna
the **Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe** (ÖFZ), Vienna,
and the **Southeast Europe Association** (SOG), Munich

invite you to a panel discussion on the subject

The OSCE in the migration and refugee crisis

Date: 16 March 2017, 17h00-19h00
Location: Austrian Institute for International Politics (OIIP), Berggasse 7, 1090 Wien

The migration crisis had an important impact on the European Union but has also affected the work of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and its field missions throughout the Western Balkans. How are migrations and comprehensive security challenges related with each other in the agenda of the OSCE? What role can the OSCE play in migration management in Europe and beyond? What challenges does the OSCE and Western Balkans states face in their response to the migration crisis? What is the Austrian approach in this area, considering that it assumes the OSCE Chairmanship-in-Office in 2017? These questions and others will be discussed. Also, a short presentation of a study carried under the auspices of the Southeast Europe Association (SOG) in the framework of the German OSCE Chairmanship in Office 2016 will be given.

Programme
17h00 Welcome
    Amb. **Johannes Kyrle**, Secretary General of the Austro-French Centre

17h10 Keynote speech
    Amb. **Clemens Koja**, Permanent Representative of Austria to the OSCE

17h30 Panel discussion
    Tobias Flessenkemper, Board Member, Southeast Europe Association; Senior Fellow & Balkans Project Director, Centre international de formation européenne
    Vedran Dzihic, Senior Researcher, Austrian Institute for International Politics
    Senada Šelo Šabić, Research Associate, Croatian Institute for Development and International Relations
    Florent Marciacq, Research Associate, University of Luxembourg; Chargé de mission, Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe

The event will take place in English
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