



# GROVE OF FLIGHT

## in the Krimml Valley

### Idea, Chronology and Dedication

*Alpine Peace Crossing* (APC) is dedicated to all people on the run, and the same recognition is also valid for the "*Grove of Flight*". 49 trees and two large natural stones were installed in the Krimml Achenal (Valley), as a joint cultural project by APC with the *National Park Hohe Tauern* (NPHT), like the 7 peace pyramids along the 18 kilometer APC National Park Peace Trail over the Krimml Tauern pass from Krimml to Kasern in South Tyrol/Italy.

As a place for the Grove a uniquely beautiful alpine pasture was selected in the Krimml Achenal (Valley), about 200 m from the 4th peace pyramid before the ascent to the "Windbachalm", with an unobstructed Southern view to the glacier-covered valley and - towards the Northwest - to the Windbach-Waterfall.



In accordance with the nature of the Krimml Achenal (Valley), the following three tree species were selected for the Grove: white birch, moorbirch and mountain ash/rowanberry. The picture shows the „heart“ of the *Grove of Flight* with *Peace Stone Windbachfall* (r), *Flight Stone Krimml Glacier* (l), *Prism* and some of the 49 trees towards the glacier-covered valley.



Mountain guide Viktor Knopf with Jewish refugees 1947 on the alpine meadow of the “Mentl-Farm” before the ascent to the “Windbachalm”: precisely there the *Grove of Flight* was installed.

At this point, we wish to thank the “Mentl”- farmers Helmut Leiter and Hermann and Maria Kaiser, who have personally supported this project by providing their property for the Grove.

The solemn inauguration of the Grove took place on October 17, 2017 as part of a Ceremonial Act (Annex I) within the special year 2017, commemorating the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Jewish Krimml Exodus in 1947 and the founding of APC 10 years ago.

Many people have contributed that Ernst Löschner's idea and initiative towards the *Grove of Flight* could now be realized:

- Judith Forthuber (APC Board) took over the overall responsibility for organization, logistics and coordination, together with our APC member Hans Lerch;
- Peter de Bruin (APC member) was planning and advising on the selection of the dedicatees;
- on the part of the NPHT, the project was endorsed out at the highest level by Deputy Governor of Salzburg Astrid Rössler and NPV Director Wolfgang Urban; Ferdinand Lainer and Ariane Schweiger contributed creatively during the planning stage of the Grove;
- the preparation and implementation of ecological principles regarding the installation of the trees are the merit of Susanne Popp (“Landesumweltanwält Salzburg”); and
- although the concept of the landscape architect Maria Auböck was not implemented, she is to be thanked sincerely for her commitment and her plans.

The number 7 is a lucky number in many cultures and religions. Therefore, the *Grove of Flight* consists of  $7 \times 7 = 49$  trees. The *Betula Pendula* (white birch), *Betula Pubescens* (Moorbirke) and *Sorbus Aucuparia* (mountain ash / rowanberry) were selected as the native tree species, ideally suited for the wetland site at 1.750 m above sea level. All the trees (and the two large natural stones) were dedicated to personalities whose fate is inextricably linked to the former camp *Givat Avoda* in Saalfelden and to the Jewish Exodus in 1947 via the Krimml Tauern Pass as well as to those who contributed towards the founding of APC - and thus to the revival of this flight route - as well as to the development of APC's aid programs.

It is a very large number of people – 356 as of today – who have deserved this recognition: 329 personalities at the 49 trees, and 27 personalities at both natural stones.

The group-trees with the relative biggest number of selected personalities is the “APC-Tree” (57), followed by the “Tree of the Arts and Culture” (35), the “CSR-Tree” (34), the “NGO-Tree” (29), the “Tree of the Refugees” (23) and “Tree of the Media, Film & Communication” (23).

The further group-trees: “Bricha- and APC/Israel-Tree” (14), “Survivors-Tree” (13), “Tree of the Religions” (13), “Tree of Politics” (12), “Tree of Human Rights” (10), “Mayors Tree” (7), “Tree of Sports” (5) and “Ambassadors Tree” (5). (We hope that the numbers will grow in particular regarding the “Bricha-” and “Survivors-Trees”, last not least as a result of the publicity in connection with the “APC-Ceremony and Film Screening” on November 4, 2017 in Tel Aviv.)

The *Grove of Flight* was installed in honor of them all, on both sides of the former flight route in 1947, whereby every single tree and natural stone can be sponsored by a private person or organization (see Annex II) who feels close to this personality.

However, we wish to state explicitly that the installation and dedication of the individual trees and natural stones was completely independent of whether or when a contribution from a sponsor is being made.

## The Trees

Of the 49 trees, 34 were dedicated to single persons, a further 15 to selected groups of people.

Tree	Year	Person	Sponsor
1	1946	Asher Ben Natan	
2		Aba Gefen	
3		Marko Feingold	
4		Bella (Bilha) und Moshe Talit	
5	1947	Liesl Geisler-Scharfetter	
6		Viktor Knopf	
7	2003	Paul Rieder	
8	2006	Michel Pébereau	
9	2007	Hans Lerch	
10		Alois Steger	
11		Peter Huemer	
12	Survivors	Family Yaffa Levy	
13	2007/08	Family Jacov Shwartz & Ahuva Shamir	
14		Family Lili Segal	
15		Family Moshe Frumin	
16		Family Avraham Weiss	
17		Family Margarita Weinberg	
18		Family Nataniel Brener	
19		Family Itzak Drach	
20		Family Zwi Katz	
21		Family Tova Zehavi	

Tree	Year	Person	Sponsor	
22	2008/09	Hans Dieter Nerbl		
23		Michael Kerbler		
24		Julian Holleis		
25		Peter de Bruin		
26		Regine Kappeler		
27		Manfred Schwab & Donatella Magliani		
28		from 2010	Wilfried Rohm	
29			Guy Shachar	
30			Patricia Kahane	
31			Bettina Reiter	
32			Rainer Prohaska & Willi Svoboda	
33			Judith Forthuber	
34			Norbert Wallner	
35	Ambassadors-Tree:	Dan Ashbel Talya Lador-Fresher Michael Rendi Aviv Shir-On Martin Weiss		
36	Bricha- and APC/Israel-Tree:	Family Esti Adler Family Niva Ashkenazy Family Nina Elazar Family Meir Gefen Family Yehuda Gefen Family Moshe Hirshberg Family Moti Kas Family Melville Marks Family Shlomo & Miri Nehari Family Yoav Steinberg Family Ora Spangenthal Family Gal Talit Family Uzi Talit Family Nir Yehudai		
37	Survivors-Tree: (from 2017)	Family Ra'anana Beeri Family Rivka Bronstein Family Rachel Fisher Family Yehuda Gai Family Miriam Ganot Family Tova Kalman Family Zvika Kanonich Family Dvora Levin Family Ahuva Mezvinski Family Itzhak Noy		

Tree	Person	Sponsor
	Family Hanna Weiss Family David Yogev Family Zehava Zarhi	
38	Mayors-Tree: Erich Czerny (Krimml) Alois Gadenstätter (Maria Alm) Helmut Klammer (Ahrntal) Hubert Rieder (Ahrntal) Erich Rohrmoser (Saalfelden) Robert Steger (Prettau)	
39	Tree of Human Rights: Gertraud Auer Michael Ingber Georg Lennkh Hannah Lessing Manfred Nowak Viola Raheb Doron Rabinovici Katja Sturm-Schnabl Ruth Schöffl Kurt Scholz Jean Ziegler	
40	Tree of the Sciences: Thomas Albrich Helga Embacher Brigitte Lueger-Schuster Albert Lichtblau Wendy Olesker Anton Pelinka Oliver Rathkolb Susanne Rolinek Walter Schachermayer Wickham Skinner Ruth Wodak	
41	Tree of the Arts and Culture: Marwan Abado Martin Auer Florian Bösch Andrea Eckert Dimitre Dinev Martin Grubinger Paul Gulda Elfriede Hallama Toyoko Hattori Ernst Haupt-Stummer Daniel Keberle	

Tree	Walter Kobera Person	Sponsor
	Karl Kogler & Elfriede Hallama	
	Ernst Kovacic	
	Ludwig Laher	
	Daniel Landau	
	Elisabeth Leopold	
	Sigrid Löffler	
	Vivien Löschner-Lubroth	
	Karl Markovics	
	Thomas Maurer	
	Karl Merkatz	
	Matthias Naske	
	Otto Ressler	
	Gerhard Roth	
	Andreas Schablas	
	Vita Senn	
	Andreas Stadler	
	Ursula Strauss	
	Hanna Sukare	
	Erwin Steinhauer	
	Anton Thuswaldner	
	Ilija Trojanow	
	Helmut Zobl	

42 Tree of the Religions:

Michael Chalupka  
 Paul Chalupny  
 Olivier Dantine  
 Geshe Tenzin Dargye  
 Raimund Fastenbauer  
 Schlomo Hofmeister  
 Mohammed Khorchide  
 Franz Lackner  
 Michael Landau  
 Alexander Lerner  
 Ibrahim Olgun  
 Fuat Sanac  
 Christian Walch

43 Tree of the Media, Film & Communication:

Heinz Bayer  
 Ruth Beckermann  
 Judith Brandner  
 Irene Brickner  
 Barbara Coudenhove-Calergi  
 Eric Frey  
 Susanne Glass  
 Reinhard Grabher  
 Brigitte Jünger  
 Helene Maimann  
 Thomas Neuhold

Tree	Joanna Nittenberg Person	Sponsor
	Ernst Pohn Anita Pollak Richard Rossmann Susanne Scholl Ben Segenreich Romy Seidl Ulrich Seidl Greg Steinmetz Barbara Stöckl Johanna Stöckl Stefan Wallisch	
44	Tree of Sports:	
	Simon Eder Felix Gottwald Petra Kronberger Wastl Wörgötter David Zwilling	
45	Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)-Tree:	
	Wolfgang Anzengruber Markus Breitenecker Willi Bründlmayer Christine de Castelbajac Tom & Kate Chappell Herbert Cordt Wolfgang Eder Heimo Hackel Heinz Hufler Gerry Kriz Hubert Mierka Peter Mooslechner Harald Nograsek Stefan Pinter Claus Raidl Wilhelm Rasinger Günther Reibersdorfer Jörg Rodewald Wolfgang Rosam Sebastian Schager Benjamin Schlaff Alexander Schütz Stefan Sengl Heinrich Spängler Alois Steinbichler Johann Strobl Andreas Treichl Alexandra von Vietinghoff Monika Vondracek Franz Vosicky	

Tree	Leon Widecki Person	Sponsor
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46 Tree of Politics:

Martina Berthold  
 Erhard Busek  
 Muna Duzdar  
 Doraja Eberle  
 Arno Gasteiger  
 Ferdinand Lacina  
 Ulrike Lunacek  
 Brigitta Pallauf  
 Wolfgang Petritsch  
 Astrid Rössler  
 Heinz Schaden  
 Walter Thaler

47 NGO-Tree:

Karin Abram  
 Christine Enzinger  
 Andrea Eraslan-Weninger  
 Susanne Erian  
 Erich Fenninger  
 Annelyse Forst  
 Sylvia Hobiger  
 Andrea Holz-Dahrenstädt  
 Friedrun Huemer  
 Lisa Jama  
 Eva Kern  
 Anny Knapp  
 Raoul Kopacka  
 Ursula Liebing  
 Alexander Pollak  
 Thomas Randisek  
 Christoph Riedl  
 Anita Sackl  
 Susanne Schaidinger  
 Matthias Schickhofer  
 Claire Schocher-Döring  
 Peter Schwarz  
 Sonja Siegert  
 Bernhard Spiegel  
 Sibylle Summer  
 Mario Thaler  
 Christian & Susanna Vötter

48 Tree of the Refugees:

(NB: All refugees listed here (from the Middle East, West-Africa, Tibet, China, Chechnia, Afghanistan, Sudan and ex-Yugoslavia) are role models for their active integration into the Austrian society. Nevertheless, several of them are still waiting for a positive outcome of their asylum applications.)



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Fazlullah Adina  
Mohammed Khalil Ali  
Ali Abd Alraham  
Pete Balde  
Ousmane Diaby  
Tsering und Lobsang Drongshar  
Hizir Dzabarov  
Wasil Faizi  
Raman Hussein  
David Jarju  
Luo Jin-Ying  
Muamer Kebic  
David Khadisi  
Babak Mahdavi  
Eqbal Mohammad  
    Baba Moussa  
Nizar Mutwali  
Alireza Rahimi  
Abdelaziz Barak Sakin  
Salkm Shreiki  
Khando Sichoe  
Shokat-Ali Walizadeh

## 49 APC-Tree:

Sabine Aschauer-Smolik  
Diane Boehm  
Rainer Danzinger  
Greta Duschek  
Stefan Duschek  
Brigitte Elmecker  
Erwin Erasim  
Evelyn & Gerhard Feichtner  
Hanna Feingold  
Anton Fink  
Peter Fischer  
Gerda Frey  
Friedl Geisler  
Martin Grill  
Brigitte Höfert  
Erich & Adelgunde Huemer  
Saad Jadir  
Franz Kaltseis  
Paul Knotter  
Petra Lemberger  
Marlene Linhuber  
Waltraud Löschner  
Andrea Mair  
Gilbert Mayer  
Uwe & Maria Mendel

Tree	Person	Sponsor
	Michael Mooslechner	
	Petra Navara	
	Céline Nerbl	
	Ludwig Neumann	
	Peter Nothdurfter	
	Bruno & Kathrin Plankensteiner	
	Hans Pollan	
	Barbara Preis	
	Marco Rampin	
	Ursula Rauchbauer	
	Charles Reisman	
	Jörg Rodewald	
	Harry Sachse	
	Andrea Schöppl	
	Verena Schrems	
	Michael Schwerzler	
	Friedrich Michael Steger	
	Irmela Steinert	
	Julia Steinmetz	
	Thomas Treu	
	Heinz Tschannett	
	Rainer Ullmann	
	Antonia Van der Post	
	Johannes Völkl	
	Wolf Wiesinger	
	Barbara & Martin Wolf	
	Erich Wolf	
	Elisabeth Wolfbauer-Schinnerl	

## The Nature Stones

In the *Grove of Flight* two large natural stones were installed in the form of a 'mensa' to symbolize a welcome hospitality and to honor those Austrian and international APC-affirming personalities who

- have made exemplary contributions to the cause of peace; dedicated to them is the "*Peace-Stone Windbachfall*".
- have become a role model for all people, especially the young, on the basis of their own flight experiences or through their commitment to the theme of flight; dedicated to them is the "*Flight Stone Krimml Glacier*".

Many of these people have participated in the *Appeal for a Human Refugee Policy* (Petition *Against Inhumanity*) initiated in 2013 by Alpine Peace Crossing (Ernst Löschner and Michael Kerbler), or have declared their solidarity with our goals already in 2007 by joining the Honorary Committee of APC.

**“Peace Stone Windbachfall”** (dedicated to peace-makers of this world):

<u>Honored Personality</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Daniel Barenboim	
James Earl „Jimmy“ Carter	
Cecily Corti	
Paul Chaim Eisenberg	
Heinz Fischer	
David Grossman	
Giorgio Napolitano	
Patricia Kahane	
Helmut Kohl	
Bruno Kreisky	
Johannes Poigenfürst	
Christoph Schönborn	
Franz Vranitzky	
Anton Zeilinger	
Jean Ziegler	

**“Flight Stone Krimml Glacier”** (to honor outstanding personalities who were refugees themselves, and those who were or are deeply committed to refugees):

<u>Honored Personality</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Ute Bock	
Friedrich & Gertraud Cerha	
Tenzin Gyatso, 14th Dalai Lama	
Ruth Klüger	
Elfriede Jelinek	
Nadja Lorenz	
Ari Rath	
Rudolf Sarközi	
Alexander Van der Bellen	
Simon Wiesenthal	
Leon Zelman	

The dedicatees of all 49 trees and the two natural stones were proposed by a APC working group in agreement with the NPHT. The honoring of all personalities in the *Grove of Flight* was unanimously adopted by the APC Board of Directors. A corresponding certificate will be prepared for all and will be presented individually.

Combined with this honor we wish to express also the sincere special thanks of *Alpine Peace Crossing* to all dedicatees who have contributed that today - 10 years after our foundation – APC is receiving international recognition. The annual APC events and the APC Social- and Refugee Support Programs - whose importance is continually growing – would not have been possible without their commitment and support.

# The Prism

In the center of the *Grove of Flight*, a 3-sided *Prism* with the logos of APC and NPHT shows the following text in German, Italian and English:

This "*Grove of The Flight*" is dedicated to all people on the run. It consists of 7 by 7 trees. The number 7 is a lucky number in almost all cultures and religions. May this good fortune be granted to all who must flee their homeland!

Each individual tree is in remembrance of people for whom the flight route across the Krimml Tauern Pass in 1947 had a fateful significance, as well as to all those who have rendered outstanding services to the reactivation of this flight route and to the social and refugee assistance programs of *Alpine Peace Crossing*.

The two natural stones found in this Grove – the "*Peace Stone Windbachfall*" and the "*Flight Stone Krimml Glacier*" – stand as a "Mensa", a symbol of hospitality for refugees. They are dedicated to great individuals who were themselves refugees or protectors of refugees or have made a name for themselves as founders of peace. All the names of the honored individuals can be found on our websites.

The growth of the trees and the pathway through the Grove stand as a living reminder of these people.

Ernst Löschner  
October 2017

On the 70th anniversary of the Jewish Exodus over the Krimml Tauern Pass - in solidarity with all people who are forced to flee – and on the 10th anniversary of the founding of *Alpine Peace Crossing*.

[www.alpinepeacecrossing.org](http://www.alpinepeacecrossing.org)

[www.nationalpark.at](http://www.nationalpark.at)

Integrated into the Prism is also a "*Grove-Book*". All visitors may register their personal perceptions, thoughts and wishes in this book. From time to time, we will publish a selection of these entries on the APC and NPHT websites.

Finally, let us emphasize our desire that the *Grove of Flight* may become a *spiritual place of hope* for many people, for those on the run as well as for all those who do not want to look away when help is needed. The symbolism of the consciously chosen numbers *two* (there are two natural stones) and *seven* (there are 7 x 7 trees) should also radiate from the Grove of Flight: the *two* is seen here in the sense of *Daoism*, in which the *Taijitu*- circle forms a union between *Yin* and *Yang*, and - as with the *Dioscurs* of Greek mythology - as a symbol of harmony. The number *seven* is also mythological: it occupies a special position in almost all cultures, often as a symbol of good luck. *Flight* and the longing for *Peace* were therefore also the namesake for the natural stones of the Grove.

Recognition, thanks, a message of hope and peace, and also an appeal to all people for compassion and support: these were the themes of the Festive Ceremony on October 17, 2017 with the solemn inter-religious inauguration of the *Grove of Flight* (cf. Annex I for the program). It was a dignified ceremony, with beautiful music and large media attention. Over 100 people participated in the Ceremony in gorgeous sunshine.



Ernst Löschner on behalf of the Board of *Alpine Peace Crossing – Charity of Social and Refugee Support*, in agreement with the *National Park Hohe Tauern*, Salzburg

October 22, 2017

In preparation: Biographies of the individual honored personalities.

They are all asked to send a photo and a short text (3-5 lines) of their bios to [office@alpinepeacecrossing.org](mailto:office@alpinepeacecrossing.org). Furthermore, we would welcome individual “testimonials” where they express their sentiments towards the *Grove of Flight*, and their thoughts and wishes which APC shall be pleased to record on the website.

#### Annexes

- Annex I: Ceremony with inter-religious inauguration of the Grove of Flight: Program
- Annex II: Sponsor Contributions for Honored Personalities

## Annex I



# CEREMONY with inter-religious inauguration of the Grove of Flight

Oct 17, 2017

Krimml Valley

## Program

10:30 hours: joint hike (30 minutes) from the Krimml Lodge to the pasture at the "Mentl-Farm"

11:15 hours:

**Welcome:** Erich Czerny

**Greetings:** Marko Feingold

**Reading:** Daniel Keberle from "The Bricha" by Asher Ben-Natan

**"Grove of Flight", Planning and Dedication:** Ernst Löschner and Judith Forthuber

**Opening Speech:** Astrid Rössler

**Inter-Religious Inauguration:** Franz Lackner, Olivier Dantine, Alexander Lerner,  
Geshe Tenzin Dargye

**Music:** Wilfried Rohm

**Master of Ceremony:** Petra Navara

## Speakers

**Astrid Rössler:** Deputy Provincial Governor of Salzburg and responsible at the government level for the *National Park Hohe Tauern*. She held the opening speech at the 8th Alpine Peace Crossing in June 2014. The project of the "*Peace Pyramids*" along the escape route of 1947 was also realized jointly between APC and the National Park Hohe Tauern.

**Marko Feingold:** President of the Jewish Community Salzburg. In 1947 he discovered the escape route over the Krimmler Tauern for 5000 Jewish men, women and children. First honorary member of APC. Since 2007, he has participated every year as an honorary guest at all APC events (now at the age of 104 years), sharing his personal memories as a survivor of four concentration camps.

**Daniel Keberle:** Austrian actor. As a member of the People's Committee he supported with a personal quote the "*Appeal for a Human Refugee Policy*" initiated by Alpine Peace Crossing (Petition "*Against Inhumanity*"). APC member.

"The Bricha" (1943), by Asher Ben-Natan (published in 2005): Born as Arthur Piernikarz in Vienna in 1921, he fled to Palestine. After the end of WWII, he returned to Vienna as head of the Austrian branch of the Beriha (Bricha), helping countless Jews to emigrate. From 1965 to 1969 he was the first Israeli ambassador to Germany. Asher Ben-Natan died in 2014. In December 2007 a APC delegation from Austria could spend an evening with him in Tel Aviv. He was immensely pleased that APC had organized six months earlier the commemorative APC Peace Hike, step-by-step on the same route as the Jewish Exodus over the Krimml Alps in 1947.

**Franz Lackner:** Archbishop of Salzburg and Primas Germaniae; his predecessor, Archbishop Alois Kothgasser, was a member of the Honorary Committee in 2007 at the founding of Alpine Peace Crossing.

**Olivier Dantine:** Superintendent (bishop) of the Diocese of Salzburg and Tyrol. As a member of the People's Committee he supported the *Appeal for a Human Refugee Policy* initiated in 2013 by Alpine Peace Crossing (Petition "*Against Inhumanity*") with a personal quote.

**Alexander Lerner:** Kantor of the Jewish Community Vienna, which has been in close connection with Alpine Peace Crossing already for 10 years. Rabbi Paul Chaim Eisenberg was a member of the Honorary Committee at the founding of APC in 2007. Raimund Fastenbauer is General Secretary of the Federation of Jewish Communities in Austria and member of APC. At the 1st Alpine Peace Crossing 2007, he gave a speech at the inauguration of the memorial in Saalfelden at the former camp *Givat Avoda* on "The History of the Fight Movements through Austria to Israel and its Significance to this Day".

**Geshe Tenzin Dargye:** As a Geshe-la he is a Buddhist dignitary and monk, former student of HH the Dalai Lama who appointed him as head of the Tibet Center in Austria. APC, jointly with him, organized the program for his Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama on May 21, 2012 in Salzburg, including the interreligious dialogue with SH Dalai Lama, which was organized by APC jointly with the

University of Salzburg. Geshe-la was honorary guest at the 6th APC in June 2012 with a focus on "Tibetan Refugees".

**Erich Czerny:** Mayor of Krimml. Since 2007 closely linked to Alpine Peace Crossing. As a former board member, he is a strong supporter of the objectives of APC.

**Wilfried Rohm:** Educator at HTL Saalfelden and lecturer for mathematics at the University of Salzburg. APC member and program director for the 2nd exchange of Alpine Peace Crossing in 2014 with an Israeli school. Joint participation with his HTL pupils at the 7th APC in 2013.

**Judith Forthuber:** Member of the Board of APC. She has played a decisive role in the creation and development of the "Grove of Flight".

**Ernst Löschner:** former bank director, founder (2007) and since then Chairman of the Board of Alpine Peace Crossing - Charity for Social and Refugee Aid. Initiator of the Grove of Flight.

**Petra Navara:** former journalist and NGO CEO, Secretary General of Alpine Peace Crossing.



**October 17, 2017: Ceremony with Inter-Religious Inauguration of *The Grove of Flight***

Seated: Marko Feingold (next to the „Peace Stone Windbachfall“)

Standing (from left to right): Geshe Tenzin Dargye, Christian Walch (Rom. Catholic priest of Krimml), Olivier Dantine, Franz Lackner, Petra Navara, Ernst Löschner, Astrid Rössler, Alexander Lerner, Wilfried Rohm

EL: October 22, 2017



## Sponsor Contributions for Honored Personalities

*Alpine Peace Crossing* (APC) has agreed with the *National Park Hohe Tauern* (NPHT) on a most simple installation of the "*Grove of Flight*", with a 3-sided *Prism* rendering a short text in German, English and Italian, and with a "*Grove-Book*" into which every visitor can register his/her thoughts and wishes. From time to time, we will publish a selection of these entries on the APC and NPHT websites.

At the site of the individual trees and natural stones there will be no listing of names of the dedicatees and their sponsors, but they are individually listed with their short biographies on our web sites. In the future, further names will be added to honor merit-bearers and survivors not known until now.

All the names of the dedicatees to be honored were proposed in agreement with the APC board, with all dedicatees or their representatives to be informed with the request for feedback if they should not wish to accept this honor.

The costs for the establishment of the *Grove of Flight* amount to approx. € 45.000 with running costs for the maintenance and care of the Grove of approx. € 1.500 p.a.

To finance these costs we are dependent on donations and contributions from sponsors. These are tax deductible in Austria. (APC is a "beneficiary recipient" registered with the Federal Ministry of Finance with the number SO-2150; APC has furthermore been awarded already in 2016 the seal of the official Austrian Donation Certificate 06060.)

The sponsoring contribution is € 500 - € 1.000 for individuals and € 1.500 - € 2.500 for institutional sponsors. Several sponsors may be registered for each honored personality.

Please transfer your contribution to our APC account:

Alpine Peace Crossing

IBAN: AT24 3502 8000 0002 6609

BIC: RVSAAT2SO28

Purpose: Grove of Flight - sponsoring for (Name)

With the recognition of the sponsors' names on our websites, APC will express its gratitude for the cost contribution. Should the contributions received from sponsors exceed the total costs for the installation and maintenance of the Grove, the sponsors are hereby asked for their consent that the funds may be used in accordance with APC's statutes, in particular for APC's social assistance programs.

In due course, we will also announce the names of our sponsors via the APC newsletters or

via Facebook, unless someone wishes to remain anonymous. All sponsors are requested to send to [office@alpinepeacecrossing.org](mailto:office@alpinepeacecrossing.org) a photograph, a few lines regarding their bios and the text how they would like to be recognized. Furthermore, we would welcome individual “testimonials” where sponsors express their sentiments towards the *Grove of Flight*, and their thoughts and wishes which APC shall be pleased to record on the website.

All sponsors, like all dedicatees of the trees and natural stones, will receive an individual certificate from the APC Board of Directors with our thanks and recognition.

EL: October 22, 2017