

PRESS RELEASE

Hotel Schani Wien Presents Another Innovation at its Opening Press Conference: Individual Room Selection

29th April 2015 | A handful of selected project partners presented the new reservation system at the press conference at 9:00 a.m. this morning. From now on, guests may select any room they desire at Hotel Schani Wien: they can decide on which floor the room should be, which direction it should face and its view. Hotel Schani Wien is a trendsetter once again with this SMART solution.

Benedikt Komarek (Hotel Schani Wien) and project partners Michael Widmann (PKF hotelexperts), Gabriel Kacerovsky (archisphere), Vanessa Borkmann (Fraunhofer IAO) and Martin Reents (hetras) not only presented Hotel Schani Wien to over 20 journalists at the press conference, but also another innovation in the hotel business: reservations with individual room selection. This new reservation system will allow guests to book their rooms, according to their own preferences. Guests can choose their favoured location on the desired floor and select between King or Twin rooms and the view – street or garden – by themselves. Or they let themselves be persuaded by all the amenities and facilities and choose one of our maisonettes. All in line with the Schani catchphrase: "Ged ned, gibt's ned!" – Nothing is impossible!

Innovative solutions such as the mobile check-in, downloadable room keys for smartphones and the co-working space in the lobby have been developed jointly with our partners over the past few years, in addition to individual room selection. Thus, Hotel Schani Wien is the first hotel in Europe to integrate a complete co-working space into the hotel lobby, picking up on the international trend in the modern working world. Business travellers and local co-workers will become part of the life in the lobby and also have the choice to retreat to separate rooms, if necessary.

Furthermore, this SMART hotel sets great store on simplifying all the typical time-consuming administrative steps as much as possible and satisfying guests' requests. The use of technological innovations helps facilitate procedures: as a result, guests are not only able to choose their rooms individually, but can also check in via their mobile phones. Smartphones can also be used as room keys. This way, guests avoid long queues at the reception desk and can also download their room keys to their smartphones, if preferred. These SMART solutions at Hotel Schani Wien not only make life easier for guests, but give Schani staff more time to focus on what is really important: to read the guests' wishes from their minds. They can take over concierge duties that guests would only expect at luxury establishments.

Hotel Schani Wien

Hotel Schani Wien is the second hotel run by the Komarek family from Ottakring -- Vienna's 16th District -- after their eco-friendly Hotel Gallitzinberg. This modern hotel with its Viennese charm will open its doors on the site of Vienna's new Central Station at Quartier Belvedere in Spring 2015. A total of 135 rooms, including 10 studios, a multi-functional lobby and a courtyard garden with a "green oasis" right in the city will await the guests. Managing Director Mag. Benedikt Komarek is continuing his family's successful hotel tradition with his own trendsetting project and innovative ideas in cooperation with Archisphere architects. You will find regular updates on building progress and the project at www.schanihotels.com.

Umwelthotel Gallitzinberg

Hotel Gallitzinberg was one of Vienna's first hotels to receive the Austrian Eco Label in 1999. Thanks to its ideal location on the Wilheminenberg, the small, family-run hotel with 12 rooms, four studios and four apartments is ideal for visitors to Vienna wanting to stay in a quiet, green area during their city trip and enjoy the breathtaking view of the city. Following a hearty, organic breakfast buffet with regional products, the guests can decide whether they want to take a hike in the neighbouring Vienna Woods or go sightseeing in the city centre, which is only 20 minutes by public transport. Ideal for business travellers who want to recharge their batteries after a stressful day. www.umwelthotel.at