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Once every four years about 200 participants from over a dozen of different countries take part in the Mittenwald International Violin Making Competition and have their purpose-built instruments and bows judged by a panel of famous expert jurors who appoint the "masters" in different categories among them. The 9th International Violin Making Competition 2022 was scheduled to take place during the Bavarian Whitsun Holidays (2nd to 19th June, 2022) as an internationally renowned event to pay tribute to Mittenwald's long violin making tradition.

The New Date

Due to the decision by the Federal Government to hold again the G7 Summit at the Schloss Elmau castle hotel at the end of June 2022, the Competition's Organising Committee has unanimously resolved to postpone the Competition to the autumn break and the following week.

The International Violin Making Competition 2022 is thus going to be held between October 28th and November 13th, 2022.

The Reason

The G7 Summit is going to take place from 26th to 28th June, 2022. Considering the almost overlapping dates of both events and the preparations for the G7 Summit, the Competition's organizers are expecting restrictions to be introduced as the event approaches. Therefore, they resolved on a concerted postponement of the 9th International Violin Making Competition in order to ensure an ideal context for its preparation and realization, and to pay due tribute to its importance.

Moreover, postponing the Competition to the autumn will ensure that the Competition's winners and interested visitors can find accommodation in the Alpenwelt Karwendel region even at short notice and thus be present at the award ceremony, the closing concert and all fringe events. Also, the instruments' exhibition is likely to attract a larger number of visitors in autumn than in June 2022, when the majority of the accommodation facilities will be reserved for the service personnel.

None of the parties concerned has ever considered cancelling the event and putting it off till the following year to be an option. The municipality Markt Mittenwald and the tourist board Alpenwelt Karwendel are pleased about the concerted postponement of the 9th International Violin Making Competition to the autumn of 2022 and thank all partners and participants for their understanding.

Further information and application details are available at <u>www.geigenbauwettbewerb-</u>mittenwald.de and <u>https://geigenbauwettbewerb-mittenwald.de/en/</u>.

