Holidays of all kinds in Carinthia – the ski season on the Mölltal glacier begins and so does the hiking season in Ankogel

Flattach – 19th May – Tourism in Austria is slowly getting off the ground. After pandemic restrictions were loosened on 19th May, life is returning to the ski resorts and tourist centres in Carinthia too. Top conditions attract skiers to come to Mölltaler Gletscher, tourists to hike in the beautiful Ankogel resort and cyclists to zip through magical valleys at the foot of the High Tauern.

Mölltaler Gletscher – the only glacier in Carinthia is reopening on 22nd May 2021. Recreational skiers and sport clubs can enjoy more than 3 metres of snow on the pistes. "The Schareck 1, 2, 3 pistes will be available for skiers and so will be the almost 3kilometre-long red Eissee piste no. 9, which runs to the lower cable car station and is usually not at disposal at this time of the year. Our resort will be opened also for tourists, of course, and is ready to serve as a popular starting point or outlook spot. After the restrictions have been loosened, hotels and guest houses could reopen and simpler rules of border crossing for vaccinated people have been announced, we expect that our glacier will welcome recreation seekers as well as training athletes," said Max Gottfried, the resort general manager.

Tourists and skiers coming to the Mölltaler Gletscher resort can travel with the Mölltaler Gletscher Express funicular, the Gondelbahn Eissee cable car, the Gletscher Jet 6-seater chairlift or the 3000er chairlift depending on the conditions.

2021/22 PREMIUM Smart Season Passes, which are valid in all TMR resorts in Austria, Slovakia, Poland and the Czech Republic can be already used for May skiing. The Smart Season Passes are available online via <u>GOPASS.TRAVEL</u>.

Season TopSkiPasses 2020/21 Kärnten/OstTirol are going to be valid in the Mölltaler Gletscher resort until 30th June 2021.

Another resort located at the foot of the High Tauern – Ankogel is going to be opened at weekends from 3rd June. In addition to iconic cableways that operate to the altitude of 2636 m, there is a wide range of tourist trails and attractive cycle routes which run along waterfalls, romantic shepherd's huts and mountain chalets. The cable cars and chairlifts are going to operate in Ankogel at weekends and on bank holidays (3.6.-6.6., 12.6.-13.6.,

19.6.-20.6.). The summer tourist season begins on 26th June, which means daily cableway operation from then.

Mountain resorts, gastronomy facilities, accommodation establishments and other services are opened based on current precautions and restrictions. Negative COVID-19 tests, vaccination certificates or certificates proving overcoming of COVID-19 must be presented at accommodation establishments but also when entering restaurants where every guest has to register. For specific terms regarding travelling to Austria from individual countries, please visit <u>austria.info</u>.