

Training Seminar for Sudanese Election Officials



Group picture with the President of the Political Academy, Dr. Werner Fasslabend, Former Minister of Defense and the Sudanese Ambassador H.E. Mahmoud Hassan Elamin

Context/short summary:

A group of fourteen Sudanese Elections officials took part in a special training Seminar at the Political Academy in Vienna. The seminar took place at the end of September 2009, thereby giving the possibility to observe the regional, local and mayoral elections in Upper Austria on the 27th September.

The overall aim of the training activity was focusing on the preparation, execution and follow-up of local, regional and state elections. Practical examples were given during the observation in a local polling station in the town of Grieskirchen and to observe the reporting at the district election centre from the local to the regional and finally to the provincial authorities.

A high-light of the seminar was the meeting with the Head of the Austrian elections authorities in the Ministry of the In-



Wolfgang Großruck, MP, Deputy Chairman of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly is briefing the delegation outside of a polling station in the Upper Austrian Town of Grieskirchen.

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terior. Thereby the delegation was briefed on various issues related to the election process.

Finally, a meeting in the Austrian Parliament with the Vice-Chairman of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Mr Wolfgang Großruck, MP, took place. Deputy Großruck, who was the Head of the OSCE observer mission during the Albanian parliamentary elections in 2009, focused on the work of international elections observers.



Briefing by the head of the district election centre Grieskirchen.

In the follow-up to this seminar a delegation of the Political Academy paid a visit to Sudan (including the South and Darfur) in December 2009 to evaluate the preparation process for the Sudanese elections, which will take place from 5th to 12th April 2010.

Partners:

- [Politische Akademie der ÖVP \(PolAk\)](#),
- Embassy of the Republic of Sudan in Austria

Objectives:

Organisational, legal and political requirements for free, fair and democratic elections. The role, tasks and duties of elections officers within the electoral process.

Target group:

Sudanese Elections Officials from the state and provincial level

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