

## **Special Counselor: Michael Frischenschlager**



Michael Frischenschlager – soloist, chamber musician, violin pedagogue from Salzburg – is descendent of a well known musician's family of long tradition. He studied violin, conducting and musicology in Salzburg, Cologne, Vienna, Rome. Violin with Theodor Müller, André Gertler, Franz Samohyl, and Yehudi Menuhin. After several years of important orchestral experience (Wiener Solisten and Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra) followed a period of intensive concert activity as soloist and chamber musician, performing in almost all european countries, Asia and North America.

1971 he began to teach and is still teaching at the University of Music and Performing Arts in Vienna with many brilliant violinists coming out from his class throughout the years. He served his

University also as its head of string department, later as its Vice-Chancellor and then Chancellor from 1989 to 1996. He is worldwide in demand as jury member of renowned violin and chamber music competitions and also as teacher for master classes at leading universities and academies.

Former head of the European String Teachers Association in Austria, Michael Frischenschlager has been the President of the Fritz Kreisler International Violin Competition in Vienna since 1989.

In 1990 he founded the International Summer Academy Prague-Wien-Budapest and was its director for 14 years.