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“Waldzell Meeting ‘04” from September 11 to 12 in Melk

## Prominent panelists search for the meaning in life

**As many as three Nobel Prize laureates are coming together at Melk Abbey on September 11 and 12 to lead a global dialog on meaning and the search for meaning with numerous other thinkers and visionaries in the context of the Waldzell Meeting 2004.**

The list of panelists and partners in dialog reads like a who is who: Peace Nobel Prize laureate Shirin Ebadi, the “father of the pill” Carl Djerassi, experimental physicist Anton Zeilinger, “Thinker of the Year 2000” Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, Senior Rabbi David J. Goldberg, baritone Thomas Hampson as well as the Nobel Prize laureates Kary B. Mullis (Chemistry) and Gunter Blobel (Medicine) will come together under the auspices of the head of the provincial government, Erwin Pröll, and “host” Abbot Burkhard F. Ellegast. The focus is on making “the search for meaning in life into an important matter of concern for society,” when the daily pressures of our performance-oriented society make this difficult to achieve for many of us.

The direct continuation of the Meeting is already taking place on September 22, when the author Paulo Coelho will elaborate on the results. He will reopen the reconstructed Austrian section of the Road to Santiago. Coelho triggered a pilgrimage boom with his novel on the Road to Santiago de Compostela. Further information at [www.waldzell.org](http://www.waldzell.org).