



AUSTRIA - National and regional funding programmes



National Programmes

Programme title	City of Tomorrow	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	The technology program "City of Tomorrow" aims at researching and developing new technologies and solutions for future cities and urban developments. The program follows an applied and demand-oriented approach and, with this mission orientation, can make an essential contribution to the modernization and resource efficiency of Austrian cities. These innovative solutions significantly increase the competitiveness of the domestic energy and environmental technology industry.	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	
Relation to MB sectors	X	Construction
		Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
	X	Nature based solutions
		Recycling industry
Topics	Thematically, the program is focused on three topics: (1) digital planning, building and operating, (2) plus-energy districts and (3) innovative greening technologies.	
Beneficiaries	SMEs	
Funding rates	50% - 100%	
Eligible costs	Depends on type of funding	
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Programme title	Aws Digitalisierung	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	Supports the digitization of business processes and the development of digital business models.	



Entity/authority driving the programme	Austria Wirtschaftsservice (AWS)	
Relation to MB sectors		Construction
		Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
		Nature based solutions
		Recycling industry
Topics	AI, Industry 4.0, SME e-commerce	
Beneficiaries	SMEs, Large Enterprises	
Funding rates	Depends on specific conditions of application	
Eligible costs	Depends on specific conditions of application	
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Programme title	Aws Creative Impact	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	Supports new innovative products and services with the potential to create a positive societal and sector-related impact.	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Austria Wirtschaftsservice (AWS)	
Relation to MB sectors	x	Construction
		Additive Manufacturing
	x	ICT
		Nature based solutions
		Recycling industry
Topics	The creative impact needs to be mostly related to the sectors digitization, social impact, design, fashion, architecture and musical or film technologies.	



Beneficiaries	Individuals, Start-Ups, SMEs
Funding rates	50% - 70%, depending on type of project
Eligible costs	Personal costs, material costs, third party costs, other costs
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Programme title	Lighthouse projects for resilient cities 2040	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	Supports practical solutions for sustainable city development	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Austrian Climate and Energy Fund	
Relation to MB sectors	X	Construction
		Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
	X	Nature based solutions
		Recycling industry
Topics	1) Resilient urban open spaces 2) Resilient settlement development in existing neighbourhoods 3) Social innovations as a driver of sustainable urban development	
Beneficiaries	Consortiums of: City authorities, businesses, research institutions, public initiatives	
Funding rates	35% - 100%	
Eligible costs	Depends on type of funding	
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Programme title	Production of the future	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	The initiative aims to further strengthen and expand the success story of manufacturing research in Austria which is a main driver of its international competitiveness. There are three operational goals: 1) Efficient use of resources and raw materials and efficient production technologies 2) Flexible production 3) Production of high-quality products	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	
Relation to MB sectors		Construction
	X	Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
		Nature based solutions
		Recycling industry
Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Industry 4.0 2. Additive manufacturing 3. Materials 4. Robotics and resource efficiency 5. Ex-ante environmental performance of additive manufacturing technologies 	
Beneficiaries	SMEs	
Funding rates	Up to 100%, depending of type of funding	
Eligible costs	Depends on type of funding	
Website/more info	https://www.ffg.at/produktion-der-zukunft-das-foerderprogramm	
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Programme title	Impact Innovation	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	Promotes the use of innovation methods to solve a social or societal problem. Central to this is a process that involves all stakeholders to find new ideas and develop an effective solution. The result can be services, products or processes that add value for the target group.	



Entity/authority driving the programme	Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	
Relation to MB sectors	X	Construction
	X	Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
	X	Nature based solutions
	X	Recycling industry
Topics	The grant is open to all sectors, as long as it solves a social or societal problem.	
Beneficiaries	SMEs	
Funding rates	50%	
Eligible costs	Personal costs, material costs, third party costs, travelling costs, investment costs	
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Programme title	Circular Economy	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	Aims to accelerate the development of a circular economy to create positive impacts for the environment and climate as well as to gain relevant knowledge.	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	
Relation to MB sectors		Construction
		Additive Manufacturing
		ICT
		Nature based solutions
	X	Recycling industry
Topics	1. Innovation for circular economy	



	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Circular procurement and manufacturing 3. Intensification of the use of goods 4. Recycling
Beneficiaries	Businesses, Universities, Research Institutes
Funding rates	Up to 100%, depending of type of funding
Eligible costs	Depends on type of funding
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Programme title	COIN Programme – Cooperation & Innovation	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	The purpose of this programme is the development and strengthening of crucial competencies and functions among providers of hands-on RDI competence in the Austrian innovation system.	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	
Relation to MB sectors	X	Construction
	X	Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
	X	Nature based solutions
	X	Recycling industry
Topics	This grant is open to all sectors. There are two subprogrammes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. "Build-Up" 2. "Networks" 	
Beneficiaries	SMEs, Universities, RTOs	
Funding rates	Up to 70%	
Eligible costs	Depends on type of funding	
Website/more info	https://www.ffg.at/programm/coin-cooperation-and-innovation	



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Programme title	Collective Research	
Country	Austria	
Main objective	Supports collaborative research projects whose results shall be made available to the concerned sector.	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	
Relation to MB sectors	X	Construction
	X	Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
	X	Nature based solutions
	X	Recycling industry
Topics	This grant is open to all sectors.	
Beneficiaries	Professional associations, non-university RTOs	
Funding rates	65%	
Eligible costs	Personal costs, material costs, in-kind costs, overhead costs	
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Regional Programmes

Programme title	easy2innovate
Country/region (NUTS2)	AUSTRIA/ Oberösterreich (AT31)
Main objective	Supports the competitiveness of business in Upper Austria through research and innovation
Entity/authority driving the programme	Regional Government of Upper Austria



Relation to MB sectors	X	Construction
	X	Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
	X	Nature based solutions
	X	Recycling industry
Topics	The subprogramme easy2research supports R&D projects in cooperation with research institutes. The subprogramme easy2market supports the market entry of promising products or services.	
Beneficiaries	SMEs	
Funding rates	33% - 50%	
Eligible costs	Personal costs, material costs, third party costs	
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Programme title	Digitalisierungsoffensive Salzburg.Digital	
Country/region (NUTS2)	AUSTRIA/ Salzburg (AT32)	
Main objective	Supports digitization projects with a focus on actual implementation.	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Regional government of Salzburg	
Relation to MB sectors		Construction
		Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
		Nature based solutions
		Recycling industry
Topics	The focus is on projects for the development, introduction or improvement of processes, technologies, procedures and prototyping methods, business models, products and services as well as the intended data use and data integration in parts or along the entire value chain.	



Beneficiaries	SMEs
Funding rates	Up to 50%
Eligible costs	Depends on type of funding
Website/more info	https://www.salzburg.gv.at/themen/wirtschaft/wirtschaftsfoerderung/digitalisierungsoffensive
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Programme title	Förderung für Forschungs-, Entwicklungs- und Innovationsprojekte	
Country/region (NUTS2)	AUSTRIA/Tirol (AT33)	
Main objective	Supports development of new products, processes and services or significant improvement of existing ones. Also supports technology transfer and feasibility studies.	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Regional government of Tirol	
Relation to MB sectors	X	Construction
	X	Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
	X	Nature based solutions
	X	Recycling industry
Topics	The grant is open to all sectors	
Beneficiaries	SMEs (Large Enterprises and Research Institutes if in a consortium)	
Funding rates	30% - 40%	
Eligible costs	Personal costs, material costs, third party costs	
Website/more info	https://www.tirol.gv.at/arbeit-wirtschaft/wirtschaft-und-arbeit/foerderungen/technologiefoerderungsprogramm/innovationsfoerderung/forschungs-entwicklungs-und-innovationsprojekte/	
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Programme title	Innovate4Vienna 2021	
Country/region (NUTS2)	AUSTRIA/Vienna (AT13)	
Main objective	Supports innovative solutions that help to better manage the medium- to long-term social and economic consequences of the Corona crisis. The project ideas should lead to new or improved products, services and processes or result in new business models as well as social and climate-relevant solutions.	
Entity/authority driving the programme	Regional government of Vienna	
Relation to MB sectors	X	Construction
	X	Additive Manufacturing
	X	ICT
	X	Nature based solutions
	X	Recycling industry
Topics	The grant is open to all sectors. The focus lies on a projects potential impact on the business location of Vienna.	
Beneficiaries	SMEs, Start-Ups	
Funding rates	Up to 35% for SMEs	
Eligible costs	Personal costs, investment costs, third party costs	
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