National and International funding

Externally funded projects | Support in project implementation:

Project leaders or university personal working in research projects can gather information about administrative steps starting from the submission of a new project, of project accounting until the closing of the project. The given support ranges from the project application phase until the final closing steps and duties.

*Marie Curie:*

The Marie Skłodowska Curie actions ensure excellent and innovative research training as well as attractive career and knowledge exchange opportunities through cross-border and cross-sector mobility of researchers and innovation staff at all stages of their career, irrespective of age. They are open to all domains of research and innovation.

*PostDoc services:*

In Austria, several funding programmes are directed at graduated PhDs and early stage postdocs. The Research Services and Career Development office will support these applications more strongly by offering proposal checks and feedback on written proposals for these specific programmes.
Cultivating Talents - Development of Human Resources

- Schrödinger Fellowship: Promotion of scientific work at leading foreign research institutions; gaining experience abroad during the postdoc-phase.

- Firnberg-Programme: Career development programme for post-docs, which aims to support women at the start of their scientific careers.

- Richter-Programme: Career development for advanced post-docs, which aims at providing the necessary qualifications to apply for professorial positions within Austria or abroad.

- Meitner-Programme: Incoming for highly qualified scientists who could contribute to the scientific development of an Austrian research institution

Exploring New Frontiers - Funding of top-quality Research

Stand-alone Projects:

Funding of individual research of any discipline in the area of non-profit oriented scientific research.
The Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG) is the national funding agency for industrial research and development in Austria. FFG acts also as the National Contact Point (NCP) for the European research and innovation programmes, supporting applicants from science and industry. We will provide you with a snapshot on funding opportunities through the European programs COST, MSCA, ERC and how the job section of the EURAXESS portal can help you to find positions at pre- and post-doc level. In addition to that, we will provide you with an inside into the shape the new EU Framework Program for Research and Innovation "Horizon Europe". As FFG also promotes national research activities, which are carried out as scientific-industrial cooperations, we will shortly present the program "Bridge" (Cooperative projects with the main emphasis on basic research, but with some prospect for commercialisation) as well as the program "Industrienahe Dissertationen" (Research partnerships - Industrial PhD) and the Innovation Voucher" (enables enterprises to enlist the services of research institutions).
Vienna Science and Technology Fund

The Vienna Science and Technology Fund (WWTF) is a private non-profit organisation established to promote science and research in Vienna. Within defined fields (thematic programmes) two funding instruments are available:

The WWTF identifies focus subjects for its funding in the form of thematic programmes that have a life span of several years each. Within the scope of these programmes, time-limited calls are regularly organised for either of the two funding instruments (project funding or research group funding), which are covered by call-specific guidelines and tenders:

Project funding: The WWTF provides funding to major scientific projects in basic research which offer medium- to long-term economic or social benefits. Funding is granted towards the cost of staff, investments, networking and management. To be eligible, project applications must have a term between two and four years. Funding ranges from a minimum of 200,000 € up to a maximum of 1 mio. €.

Research Group Funding - Vienna Research Groups for Young Investigators: With funding from the City of Vienna, WWTF aims to attract promising young researchers from abroad to build up their first "own" research group in Vienna and to give them a long-term perspective at this research location. The maximum funding sum available per research group is 1.6 mio. € for a period of six to eight years.

Up to date, 8 Science Chairs have been funded by the WWTF and 14 young researchers have established their research groups in Vienna via the "Vienna Research Groups for Young Investigators" with 32.2 mio. €. total funding from the City of Vienna.
The **Austrian Academy of Sciences** is Austria’s central non-university research and science institution. Its statutory mission is to “promote science in every way”. Founded in 1847 as a learned society, today the OeAW has over 770 members and 1,700 employees in 28 research institutes in the field of innovative basic research in the arts and humanities and the social and natural sciences. The OeAW is especially committed to the sustainable support of promising young talents and supports highly qualified young scholars from beyond its own institutes by awarding fellowships and prizes. The OeAW offers ten fellowship programs for

- pre-docs  DOC, DOC-team, Chemical Monthly Fellowship
- pre- and post-docs  L’ORÉAL Austria, ROM, ATHEN
- post-docs  MAX KADE, Post-DocTrack, JESH, APART-GSK
The OeAD is Austria’s central organisation for mobility and cooperation programmes in education, science and research in Europe and worldwide.

- **Erasmus+ Teaching Assignments, Erasmus+ Staff Training Mobility**: The Erasmus+ programme supports teaching periods and training periods at higher education institutions abroad.

- **Marietta Blau Grant**: The programme provides financial support for research visits abroad that are part of a doctoral programme at an Austrian university.

- **CEEPUS**: The Central European Exchange Programme for University Studies is a multilateral exchange programme within Central and Eastern Europe.

- **"Aktionen" Slovakia, Czech Republic and Hungary**: The programme allows lecturers in higher education and researchers from Austria to collaborate in specific projects with their counterparts in the partner countries.

- **Scientific & Technological Cooperation (S&T Cooperation, WTZ)**: The programme aims at intensifying the international scientific cooperation of Austrian researchers and researchers from the partner countries by funding mobility expenses within the framework of a bilateral or multilateral project.

- **EURAXESS** provides a job database with constantly updated job vacancies for researchers throughout Europe and offers various services, information and assistance to mobile researchers.

- **grants.at** is Austria’s biggest online database for scholarships and research grants for all academic areas.