




AUSTRIA'S AGENCY FOR EDUCATION and INTERNATIONALISATION

Owner representative

 Federal Ministry
Women, Science
and Research
Republic of Austria



Head office in Vienna

6 OeAD locations: in Bregenz, Graz, Innsbruck, Linz, Salzburg and Vienna

~390 employees in Austria and abroad

The Foundation for Innovation in Education is a separate legal entity. The Foundation's administrative office is affiliated with the OeAD.

The subsidiary OeAD student housing is owned 100% by the OeAD. It employs roughly 70 members of staff.

Focus: Educational cooperation

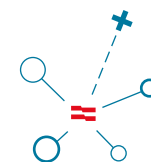
Regional cooperation offices in Tirana (responsible for Albania, Kosovo and North Macedonia) and Sarajevo (responsible for Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, and Montenegro) as well as cooperation offices in Chişinău and Odesa/Uzhhorod, headed by Austrian educational coordinators who are directly appointed by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Women, Science and Research (BMFWF).

Focus: Scientific cooperation

OeAD cooperation offices in Lviv (Ukraine) and Shanghai (China)



OeAD headquarters
 OeAD locations
 accommodation for international and national students



Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation

The OeAD is a non-profit limited liability company (GmbH) owned by the Republic of Austria. Our activities are funded by the Republic of Austria, in particular by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Women, Science and Research (BMFWF), the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education (BMB), the Austrian Federal Chancellery, the Austrian Federal Ministry for Housing, Arts, Culture, Media and Sport (BMWKMS), the Austrian Development Agency (ADA) and the European Commission. The OeAD is the national agency for the implementation of Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps (ESC) in Austria.

Our mission

With its future-oriented programmes the OeAD advises, supports and connects people and institutions in education, science, research and culture.

As an agency of the Republic of Austria the OeAD contributes to inclusive, equal and high-quality education.

The OeAD's fields of activity are in Austria, Europe and internationally in priority countries.

The OeAD is an interface to educational offers for all: kindergartens, schools, higher education and science, vocational education and training as well as adult education, youth and sports.

THE OeAD



Strategic framework
2021 to 2026:
www.oead.at/strategie





EXPERIENCE. EDUCATION. FUTURE.

Our goals

- + Developing personal skills for life in a digitised and globalised world
- + Strengthening Austria and its visibility as an attractive and internationally orientated country for science and research in a global knowledge society
- + Strengthening the (innovation) competence of education systems and institutions

Skills for the digital age: problem-solving skills, critical thinking as well as collaboration and creativity.

We help people to continuously develop the skills they need to lead a self-determined life in our digitised and globalised world and to work together – across borders – in science and education.

Our offers enhance the innovation competence of institutions in education and science and thus support their capacity development.

As a service-oriented organisation we offer transparent validation procedures, funding management and quality development.

EXPERIENCES FOR LIFE!

We support you.



OUR TASKS

are derived from the Austrian Federal Government's objectives in terms of content and its strategic objectives.



Our activities

- + **Implementing** national and international funding programmes and educational initiatives
- + **Strengthening** networking between education, science, research and society
- + **Contributing** expertise to the shaping of the education and science sector

Implementation in three strategic fields of action

- + Promoting the internationalisation of science and research, formal, non-formal and informal education
- + Strengthening the interface between education, science and society
- + Increasing quality and transparency in education



OeAD IN FIGURES

per year, around

150 million euros
OeAD budget (2024)

University Preparation Programmes:
> 4,000 students in Vienna
and Graz every year

ENIC NARIC AUSTRIA: **~ 5,000**
evaluations of foreign higher
education certificates per year

~ 7,500
enquiries about studies, scholarships,
co-operation and the law relating to aliens

Focus on educational cooperation with
Eastern and South-Eastern Europe
~ 16 projects per year
> 1,700 educational institutions reached

~ 2,600
incoming scholarships

Erasmus+ and ESC:

> 38,000
funded stays abroad
> 100 countries
worldwide (2024)

incl.
~ 800 incomings
from 16 countries with CEEPUS

> 1,400 incomings
from **> 60** countries in the Ernst Mach
Programmes

~ 110 lecturers
in **> 90** locations worldwide

Digital learning device initiative:
1,570 schools
with **> 400,000** pupils

Africa-UniNet: **~ 60** projects
from 100 scientific thematic
areas (per year)

1,800 examinations
OeAD International Testing Services

155,000 pupils
in **3,600** cultural education projects

Representation at **3**
international specialist and
higher education fairs and
28 fairs that are open to the
general public
(average per year)

~ 550 researchers
visiting schools as
science ambassadors

Educational professionals:
~ 13,000 people
reached with ERINNERN:AT

Erasmus Back to School:
20,000 pupils reached (since 2010)

Strong schools, strong society
(Prevention of extremism):
~ 74,000 pupils and young people
in **~ 3,400** workshops (2024)

Sparkling Science 2.0: **~ 81,000**
pupils and **~ 38,500** other
citizen scientists reached

Culture and language: **~ 1,400** German teachers
worldwide take part in professional development courses
to promote German as a foreign language (per year)

THE KEY TO KNOWLEDGE and exchange of experience

Internationalisation and the support of transnational cooperation and mobility associated with it are valuable key elements in education, science and research.

+ EDUCATIONAL COOPERATION
WITH EASTERN AND SOUTH-EASTERN
EUROPE IN PRE-TERTIARY EDUCATION

+ ERASMUS+

+ ETWINNING

+ EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS (ESC)

+ DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION
SUCH AS APPEAR AND KOEF

+ INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAMMES SUCH AS CEEPUS,
ERNST MACH AND MARIETTA BLAU

+ LECTURESHIP PROGRAMME

+ LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

+ SUPPORT FOR THE EUROPEAN
HIGHER EDUCATION AREA
(BOLOGNA PROCESS)

+ UNIVERSITY PREPARATION
PROGRAMMES IN GRAZ AND VIENNA

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL:

- + KINDERGARTENS, SCHOOLS, APPRENTICESHIPS
 - + TEACHING STAFF
- + PEOPLE IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING
 - + STUDENTS AND GRADUATES
- + HIGHER EDUCATION STAFF AND LECTURERS
- + PEOPLE IN EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION
- + TEACHERS AND PEOPLE IN ADULT EDUCATION
 - + RESEARCHERS
 - + YOUNG PEOPLE
- + YOUTH ORGANISATIONS
 - + SPORTS



Internationalisation – the best investment for the future

Stays abroad contribute to the development of personal skills. They strengthen the innovative capacity of institutions and entire education systems. Engaging with others leads to greater understanding of different positions and an appreciation of diversity. This contributes to an open society.

Success through cooperation

Transnational cooperation supports institutional capacity development: High-quality education, science and research need an international orientation to also work beyond the confines of national knowledge. International exchange of knowledge and expertise strengthen Austria as a place for education, science and research.

+ GAINING EXPERIENCE DURING STAYS
ABROAD + STRENGTHENING EDUCATIONAL
CAREERS + CONTRIBUTING TO SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT + INVITING EXCELLENT
PHD STUDENTS TO AUSTRIA + ACQUIRING
INTERNATIONAL SKILLS + LEARNING AND
TEACHING GERMAN + DISCOVERING
NEW PERSPECTIVES + DIVERSITY,
CULTURE AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE
SKILLS + INITIATING INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION + STUDYING IN AUSTRIA +
CULTIVATING INTERNATIONAL NETWORKS +
STRENGTHENING SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS
+ DEVELOPING EUROPE + FACILITATING
KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE + ERASMUS+
FRIENDSHIPS FOR LIFE + DEVELOPING
NEW PERSPECTIVES + PROMOTING
MULTILINGUALISM + PROMOTING
YOUTH ENCOUNTERS + STRENGTHENING
SOLIDARITY FOR EUROPE + SUPPORTING
VOLUNTEERING + LEARNING FROM
EACH OTHER

SHAPING THE FUTURE TOGETHER

- + PREVENTING ANTISEMITISM
- + CITIZEN SCIENCE
- + DIGITAL LEARNING
- + ERASMUS+
- + ETWINNING
- + EUROGUIDANCE AUSTRIA
- + EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS (ESC)
- + ERINNERN:AT
- + STRONG SCHOOLS, STRONG SOCIETY (PREVENTION OF EXTREMISM)
- + VISITS TO MEMORIAL SITES
- + DIGITAL SKILLS OFFICE
- + HOLOCAUST EDUCATION
- + FOUNDATION FOR INNOVATION IN EDUCATION
- + CULTURAL EDUCATION WITH SCHOOLS
- + SPARKLING SCIENCE 2.0
- + SCIENCE EDUCATION



From theory into the exciting world of research and creativity

Various funding schemes support (vocational) schools and kindergartens in encouraging children and young people to conduct their own research, engage in artistic activities and become skilled in the use of new digital tools.

Arousing curiosity and a willingness to innovate

Children and young people gain insights into different living and working environments. They try out new things and thus develop and strengthen their individual skills.

At the intersection of education, society, art, culture and science – beyond the regular school system

Education is the capital for the future: with customised offers and a high level of expertise we are committed to supporting the shaping of the education sector.

Supporting a safe and tolerant society

Many OeAD programmes raise awareness of the dangers of antisemitism, racism and intolerance. They promote democracy education and strengthen resilience to radicalisation for a pluralistic society.

Transnational cooperation

Transnational teaching and learning visits as well as online cooperation promote collaboration between people and institutions.

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- + PEOPLE IN EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION
 - + EDUCATION AND CAREER COUNSELLORS
 - + RESEARCHERS
 - + YOUNG PEOPLE
- + YOUTH ORGANISATIONS
 - + ARTISTS
- + CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS
- + INSTITUTIONS IN THE SPORTS SECTOR
 - + CITIZEN SCIENTISTS

QUALITY and transparency THAT convince

The aim is to further implement quality assurance and quality development tools in the Austrian education landscape.

Raising the level of education

Reliability and quality form the framework that enables innovation.

Recognition and comparability of educational qualifications in Austria and Europe

The basis for sustainable knowledge transfer is the expansion of quality and transparency.

Continuous further development

The focus is on continuous development and assurance of the quality of Austrian educational offerings and quality management tools.

+ ENIC NARIC AUSTRIA |
CREDENTIAL EVALUATION

+ EUROPASS

+ DIGITAL SKILLS OFFICE

+ INTERNATIONAL TESTING SERVICES






+ COORDINATION POINT FOR THE
NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

+ QUALITY ASSESSMENT
OF LEARNING APPS

+ REFERENCE POINT FOR QUALITY
ASSURANCE IN GENERAL AND
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING



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