

National eligibility criteria applied under the AAL call AAL-2014

	Country	Austria										
1	National funding authority	Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology, http://www.bmvit.gv.at										
2	National programme management agency	Austrian Research Promotion Agency Sensengasse 1 A - 1090 Vienna http://www.ffg.at										
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4	Eligible organisations and funding quota	<p>The following legal entities are eligible for funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> enterprises: industrial and commercial organizations (especially SMEs) and institutions of the social and health care sector including non profit oriented institutions (so called "Daseinsvorsorger") research establishments (universities, universities of applied sciences (<i>Fachhochschulen</i>), non-university research institutions and other scientifically oriented organizations) are only eligible to participate in cooperation with at least one eligible Austrian enterprise partner associations (including organizations representing older adults and their relatives, etc.) public bodies (federal countries, municipalities) (öffentliche Bedarfsträger); <p>Maximum funding rates / experimental development:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Small Enterprise</th> <th>Medium Enterprise</th> <th>Large Enterprise</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Coop. Research project / integration of technologies / experimental development</td> <td>60 %</td> <td>50 %</td> <td>40 %</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The funding rates of research establishments amount to 75%.</p> <p>Universities, universities of applied sciences (<i>Fachhochschulen</i>), non-university research institutions and other scientifically oriented organizations (e.g. associations with an appropriate purpose) are considered to be research establishments.</p> <p>Federal states and local authorities are considered to be large enterprises. Other public agencies and non-scientifically oriented associations (according to the association articles) are treated according to the current definition of SMEs in the EU competition law.</p> <p>Please note: Research establishments are only eligible to participate in cooperation with at least one eligible Austrian enterprise partner.</p>				Small Enterprise	Medium Enterprise	Large Enterprise	Coop. Research project / integration of technologies / experimental development	60 %	50 %	40 %
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5	Organisations excluded from funding	<p>Companies that are in danger of insolvency cannot be funded (please find more information below). Entities that are part of the Austrian federal administration are excluded from funding. Research establishments are only eligible to participate in cooperation with at least one eligible Austrian enterprise partner.</p>
6	Information on funding conditions	<p>The national rules on eligible costs for Austrian participants are available from the FFG webpage at www.ffg.at/kostenleitfaden (“Kostenleitfaden für Projekte mit EU-Kofinanzierung” in the most recent version).</p> <p>Eligibility criteria: Austria requires the fulfilment of the following Eligibility Criteria for Austrian participants and verifies them by means of an eligibility pre-check):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration at the eCall system of the FFG at https://ecall.ffg.at within the submission deadline; please consult the tutorial at https://ecall.ffg.at/Cockpit/Help.aspx; • Upload of a complete Form C for Austrian Organisations in the FFG eCall within the submission deadline; • For companies: upload of the balance sheets of the last two years in the FFG eCall within the submission deadline; • The financial viability and business soundness is verified by means of an internal check - companies that are in danger of insolvency cannot be funded. • Large enterprises which participate in the consortium and apply for funding are required to provide separate evidence of the incentive effect of the funding for the company. Large enterprises are required to complete the relevant FFG form and upload it in the FFG eCall within the submission deadline. • If there is no information on a business available in the commercial register based Austrian Business Compass (“Firmen-Compass”, e.g. for associations, start-ups, sole traders, companies from outside Austria), a Declaration of SME Status must be made when the application is submitted. In the draft provided by the FFG – the applicant (as far as possible) has to come up with a categorization of the last three years according to the SME definition . <p>Participation rules and other documents of the Programme “IKT der Zukunft: benefit – Demografischer Wandel als Chance” can be retrieved from http://www.ffg.at/benefit</p>