

National eligibility criteria applied under the AAL call AAL-2010-3

	Country	Austria												
1	National funding authority	Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology, http://www.bmvit.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 organisations (universities and other non-profit research institutions) associations (including organizations representing older people and their relatives, etc.) public bodies (federal countries, municipalities) (öffentliche Bedarfsträger); <p>Maximum funding rates / experimental development:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <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</td> <td>60 %</td> <td>50 %</td> <td>40 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coop. Project / innovative services and applications</td> <td>35 %</td> <td>25 %</td> <td>15 %</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The funding rates of research institutions and universities amount to 75%. "Daseinsvorsorger" (see above) are treated as enterprises.</p>		Small Enterprise	Medium Enterprise	Large Enterprise	Coop. Research project / integration of technologies	60 %	50 %	40 %	Coop. Project / innovative services and applications	35 %	25 %	15 %
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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).</p> <p>Entities that are part of the Austrian federal administration are excluded from funding.</p> <p>Private Universities which were accredited according to the <i>Universitäts-Akkreditierungsgesetz - UniAkkG</i> (University Accreditation Act) are excluded from funding.</p>												
6	Information on funding conditions	<p>Eligible costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personnel costs of research staff members of the project. The personnel costs are eligible for funding up to the guiding rate defined respectively under sub-paragraph 8 of the "<i>Verordnung des Bundesministers für Finanzen betreffend Richtlinien für die Ermittlung und Darstellung der finanziellen Auswirkungen neuer rechtssetzender Maßnahmen</i>" (Decree of the Federal Minister of Finance Concerning Guidelines for Determining and Describing the Financial Effects of New Legislative Measures, Federal Law Gazette II no. 50/1999, Annex 3). 												

- Costs of hardware and equipment (RTD investments), in so far as they are explicitly required for the project proposed; other costs material costs, travel costs), consultancy costs and costs of similar services which are exclusively dedicated to the research and development activities.
- Overhead costs: In principle, overheads are eligible up to a rate of 20% of personnel costs. However, Austrian applicants can account for a higher rate of overheads by providing corresponding pertinent evidence; which overheads are recognisable in this context can be seen from the FFG's (Research Promotion Agency's) auditing standards.

Eligibility criteria:

Austria requires the fulfilment of the following Eligibility Criteria for Austrian participants and verifies them by means of an eligibility pre-check):

- commercial register number;
- the balance sheets of the last three years, if available;
- The financial viability and business soundness is verified by means of an internal check - companies that are in danger of insolvency cannot be funded.

Please note: All Austrian partners in project consortia will have to submit a complete Form C for Austrian Organisations by the closing date of the call. Companies also have to submit their commercial register number and the balance sheets of the last three years.

Participation rules and other documents of the Programme benefit can be retrieved from <http://www.ffg.at/benefit>