

**The Austrian Federal Ministry of Science
and Research**

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Welcome to Vienna

Science and Research are key elements of sustainable social and economic development.

The Ministry is the hub for scientists, students, teaching staff and all those interested in science and research.

Organisation

- Minister Dr. Beatrix Karl
- Secretary General
- Three Directorate Generals (DGs)
 - DG I Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences;
 - DG II Academic Research; International Aspects of Research;
 - DG III Human Resources, Finance, Research Funding, Public Relations, Real Estate, Information and Communication Technology.

Facts and Figures

- 372 staff
- Budget € 3,7 billion
- Budget cuts 2011 - 2014

Universities

- 22 public universities, 12 private universities and 19 universities of applied sciences.
- The Ministry's responsibilities
 - ✓ student interest groups
 - ✓ scholarships and grants
 - ✓ scientific collections and institutions
 - ✓ libraries, matters of documentation and information

Research

- Basic research as conducted by universities and other research institutions
- Mobility programmes
- Austrian focal point for the European framework programme
- Strategic orientation of funding agencies and foundations

DG III

- Human Resources
- Finance
- Research Funding
- Public Relations
- Real Estate
- Information and Communication Technology
- Protocol
- Support Services
- Coordination Office for Legislation concerning other Portfolios and Liaison Services

Thank you for your attention!