





Health Technology Hub Lower Austria Austria

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Science Meets Regions Digitalisation in Health Care













Lower Austria: in the heart of Europe



17 mio. inhabitants within a radius of 300 km



400 km of common border with Czech Republic and Slovakia, close proximity to Hungary



Close to Vienna and Bratislava



The federal province of Lower Austria





Lower Austria is Austria's largest federal province¹⁾





Lower Austria has 1.69 mio. inhabitants (18,9 % of Austria's population)2)





Lower Austria is the federal state with the highest purchasing power 3)



Most livable country

In 2020 Austria took first place in the global "Quality of Life" ranking for the third time in a row. Lower Austria plays an important part in this. According to the IMD ranking, Lower Austria also placed first worldwide in terms of health infrastructure. 4)















Business location Lower Austria



Gesundheitstechnologie





SPE (sole proprietor 69.800 enterprises) 1) 31,500 **Very small enterprises**

7.600 Small and medmiumsized businesses

Large companies²⁾



Good soil for founders In 2021, 8,079 new businesses were created in Lower Austria - every fifth founder chose Lower Austria as location for the new business.3)



Comparison GRP / GDP

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+3.7 % +3.6 %



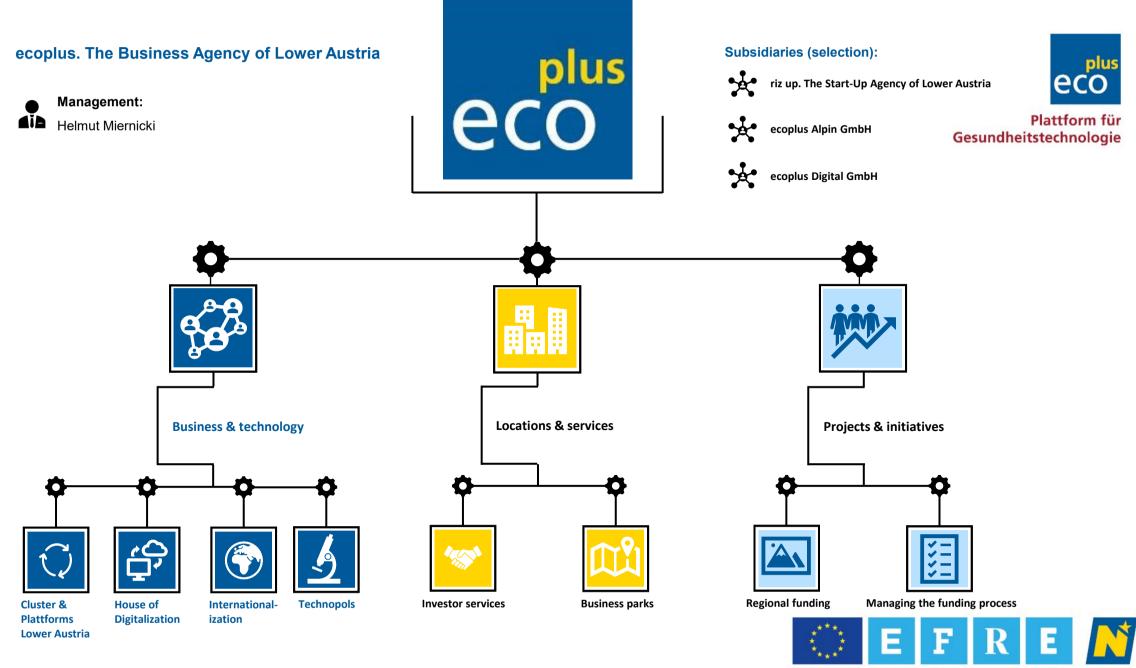
Comparison of unemployment $(2022)^{6}$

Lower Austria

6.0 %

6.3 %





The Lower Austrian Health Technology HUB



- Center of support and advice in any issue in health technology
- Contact & intermediate of Lower Austria's medtech & pharmaceutical community and for the health care providers
- Strategic partner for the Lower Austrian Health Agency: especially in identifying and supporting innovative projects
- Partner for the authorities in the aim for increasing resilience in medical devices & pharmaceutical industry
- Networker for researchers and producers





Digitalization in Health

Best Practices

By working to strengthen the resilience of the health system



Health System Lower Austria – results of ongoing strategic development



- One Health Provider with 27 hospitals and 50 rehabilitation and nursery homes
 - 4 university hospitals 2 Medical Universities
- rural provision with medical practitioners is difficult
- costs of health system are increasing
- level of medicine is extremely good
- holistic therapy concept,
- open for new technologies
 - Car-T- Cell Therapy
 - MedAustron <u>Home Med Austron</u> ion beam therapy only one of 6 global centers
 - Large clinical research community
 - One clinical studies coordination center



Health Technology Venture Lower Austria



Industry Medtech, IVD & Pharmacy

(not included: suppliers of spare parts or components or consultants)

- 400 companies are working in the health care system.
- 80 companies are in research and production; e.g.: Boehringer, Pfizer, Fresenius, Takeda, ...
- 2 technopols (specialised technology hubs) focus on medical devices and pharmaceutical research
- IST Austria Institute for Science & Technology nucleus of spin offs e.g. Solgate, Valanx, Ribbon biolabs, Sacura, CellelectricBiosciences,....
- 4 medical & biotechnology universities for medicine & applied sciences



Development to Paperless Austrian Health Care System



Extra— and Intramural Patient Management

ELGA = electronic health records

e-medication

e-vaccination-pass

diagnostic findings

documentation

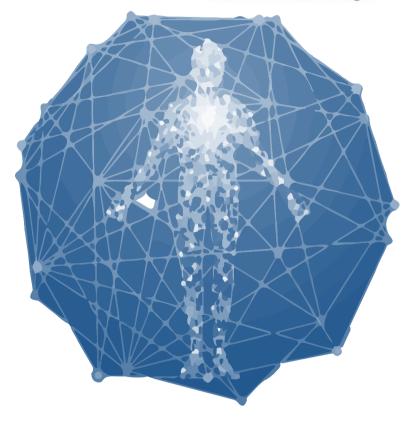
overview – for doctors

- overview on providers of health services

Examples for In-house Digitalisation Lower Austria:

- KISS Hospital Information System
- OIS Oncology Information System for ~7000 patients per year – now data of >65.000 cases







Austrian Health Technology Companies working electronically



In research & production intercourse and documentation is totally electronical

- process documentation
- In-house documentation
- contact to authorities :
 - registration BASG / EMA
 - Notified Body
 - audits

Strategy for future is mainly the integration of software tools and further improvement of tools, including security

Lower Austrian Health Technology Ventures



Objectives of present developments

- smart health technologies
- reduction of health costs
- Improvement of supply-process
- patient centricity
- patient outcomes
- health at home home therapy AAL
- Coordination center for Clinical Studies Lower Austria
- prevention



Digital Health Initiatives Lower Austria



Projects

- improvement of registration medical devices
- data management in health care
- transportation of blood and IVD samples via drones
- automatic intra hospital transportation by robots and drones
- products identified for urgent need to transfer production into EU
- improving registration process of Medical Devices



Digital Health Initiatives Lower Austria



Events

- IMC Digital Health Heuriger
- Science Meets Region Challenges in Digitalisation in Health System
- Virtual House of Digitalization







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