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"Austria: Financial support facilities and projects available for EE/RES"

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Austria: Financial Support Facilities & Projects Available for EE/RES



Kommunalkredit (KPC)

- **Manages the environmental support schemes** on behalf of the Environment Ministry, the Climate & Energy Fund and Klima:aktiv mobil
- Regions, companies and private persons
- Funding for **investment** for EE & RES (plus water, waste etc.)
- Examples for financial support include:
 - Thermal restoration of old buildings and support for high efficient new building (zero emissions)
 - Energy efficiency in companies and authorities



Austria: Financial Support Facilities & Projects Available for EE/RES



Austrian Research Promotion Agency FFG

- ✓ **New Energies 2020** program supports innovations.
- ✓ **Building of Tomorrow Plus** program → buildings and housing
- ✓ Transnational energy research projects with International Energy Agency (IEA), EU FP7 projects etc.
- ✓ “Smart city” or a “Smart urban region” in Austria.
- ✓ **“Electromobility’s Technical Beacons”** on sustainable mobility & energy supply
- ✓ **denkstatt** project: “Bio refinery”

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Climate & Energy Fund

- “Hybrid” between Investfunding / technology support
- Aims to support Pilot projects and programs
- Examples for financial support :
 - Research (e.g. denkstatt project “VCM”)
 - Renewable Energies and Energy Efficiency
 - Model Regions, Construction and Sanitation
 - **Photovoltaic funding program:** 36 Mio. EUR reserved, Continuous funding from 12.4.2013 to 30.11.2013



Example 1: Bundesrechenzentrum



Modernisation of lighting control

- **Environmental benefit:** Energy savings of ca. 70 MWh (~ca. 18 tons CO₂)
- **Financial benefit:** Saving of EUR 7,700 per year

Further measure: Freecooling server room, heat pumps



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Example 2: Bank Austria Technical Center



Free cooling

- Free-Cooling System for room cooling, reduction of energy demand via usage of outdoor air until 15° Celsius
- **Savings:** ca. 12%, or 115,000 Euro/year



Example 3: Employee motivation programs – Energy efficiency

- Up to 20% of the energy costs can be saved through training of consciousness and changing of user patterns
- Best Techniques need to be combined with **intelligent application and improvement of users!**
- Organisational measures and actions to be taken to train employees – with little budget!



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