

**Programming Period:** 2014 to 2020

**Instrument/Program level:** National

**Program level area:** AUSTRIA

**Name of the instrument/Program:** National Rural Development Program - AT

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**website:** [https://www.bmnt.gv.at/land/laendl\\_entwicklung/leprogramm.html](https://www.bmnt.gv.at/land/laendl_entwicklung/leprogramm.html)

**Instrument/Program eligible areas:** AUSTRIA

**Managing authority:**

Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management,  
Division II 2 - Coordination of Rural Development and Fisheries Fund

### **Objectives:**

Preservation of natural resources and cultural landscapes, building on the success of previous schemes;  
To improve biodiversity, water and soil management with environmentally friendly management practices, by land use change to more climate-friendly practices;  
To support the balanced territorial development of rural economies and communities.

**Eligible thematics in line with ERC sectors:** Applied life Sciences and Non-Medical Biotechnology; Earth System Science; Environment, Space and Population

**Eligible thematics in line with S3:** Climate Change Mitigation; Environmental Governance & Information; Environmental technologies, renewable energies & resource efficiency; Food & nutrition (ingredients and modification of food, materials, smart packaging, food quality, quality assurance, food production technologies)

**Beneficiaries:** Local public authority; Regional public authority; National public authority; Sectorial agency; Infrastructure and (public) service provider; Higher education and research; SME

**Status of the eligible institutions:** Public; Private; Public equivalent body

**Programme contribution minimum:** 50%

**Programme contribution maximum:** 80%

**Programme Budget:** 7 800 000 000,00 €

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**Field:** Innovation