

Austria's Violence Protection Act and Intervention Centres (Gewaltschutzgesetz 1997/2019)

Gender Equality · Good practice · Austria

Quality score: 100/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Austria's Violence Protection Act (1997, rev. 2019) requires immediate police barring orders and pro-active referral to state-funded Intervention Centres. 14,600+ annual orders; 25,000+ victims reached; replicated in 17+ European countries.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	3/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	1/1
Efficiency	1/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	1/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-06-20

[Federal Ministry for Women and Equality \(BMFGJ\) / Federal Association of Violence Protection Centres Austria](#) — accessed 2026-06-20

[Federal Ministry for Women — Domestic Violence \(bmfwf.gv.at\)](#) — accessed 2026-06-20

[GREVIO 2024 Thematic Report on Austria \(full PDF, Council of Europe\)](#) — accessed 2026-06-20

[Federal Association of Violence Protection Centres — Statement \(Council of Europe rm.coe.int\)](#) — accessed 2026-06-20

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