COMET — Austria's Competence Centers for Excellent Technologies Co-Funded by State, Provinces and Industry

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Quality score: 71/100

Evidence strength: Strong

Summary

Since 2006 Austria's COMET programme has co-funded long-term research centres shared by companies and universities. Since 2008 its budget has reached nearly €1.8bn, €852m of it from companies, and 4,500+ people take part. A 2021 Technopolis evaluation reviewed its 25 centres.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	3/3
Sustainability / continuity	3/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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