A Recovery plan for Europe:
The Recovery and Resilience Facility

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Overview of the Austrian RRP

- **4 components**
- **16 subcomponents**
- **59 measures**
  - **27 reforms and**
  - **32 investments**
- **106 Milestones**
- **65 Targets**
- **€ 3.5 bn in grants**
- **€ 4.5 bn total value**
# Assessment summary

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- Balanced response
- Addresses challenges identified in CSRs
- Growth, resilience and social impact
- Do no significant harm
- Green transition
- Digital transition
- Lasting impact
- Effective monitoring and implementation
- Reasonable and plausible cost estimates
- Robust control systems
- Coherence
Green transition

59% of plan allocated to climate objectives

Key investments

• Sustainable mobility with zero-emission transport (€843 million)
• Companies invest in low emission buildings and vehicles (€504 million)
• Phase-out oil and gas heating in private homes (€159 million)
• Biodiversity fund (€50 million)
• Recycling of beverage containers (€300 million)

Key reforms

• Eco-social tax reform: to combat climate change with incentives to climate friendly technologies, combined with targeted tax relief for households in need.
• Renewable expansion act to reach 100% renewable electricity by 2030
• 1-2-3 ticket for increased use of public transport via flat rate season ticket
• Soil protection strategy reducing land use

DNSH:
No measure in the plan harms environmental objectives

Cross-border project (IPCEI)

• Building a national and European hydrogen ecosystem (€125 million)
Digital transition

53% of plan allocated to digital objectives

Key reforms
- Internet Infrastructure Austria 2030 Platform to simplify procedures for broadband deployment
- Equal access of secondary pupils to obtain basic digital skills

Key investments
- Gigabit networks reaching half of Austrian households (€891 million)
- Digitalisation of more than 15 000 SMEs and 7 000 larger companies (€101 million)
- Digital, service-oriented public administration (€160 million)
- Education: Computers for all secondary pupils (€172 million)

Social sector specific actions
- Digital mother-child pass platform (€10 million)

Cross-border project IPCEI
- Microelectronics and connectivity (€ 125 million)
- Cross-border research for quantum computing (€107 million)
Resilience

**Education**
- Remedial education package with catchup classes for pupils after school closures due to lockdown
- More and better kindergarten places reaching at least 33% of under-3-year old children

**Improving business environment**
- Introducing supportive framework conditions for business environment with beneficial start-up settings
- Easy transfer of businesses focusing on SME
- *Once-only* principle

**Research and Innovation**
- Research and innovation strategy 2030 for effective and excellent support to knowledge, talent, and skills
- Institute for precision medicine at the General Hospital in Vienna

**Pension reform**
- Minimise the risk of old age poverty by recognising early entries into working life while abolishing early retirement pensions
- Reduce the pension gap by splitting equally between parents pension benefits obtained during parental leave or part-time work

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*European Commission*
Social impact and equality screening

- Strong focus on gender equality
- Accessibility to health and long-term care services
- Reducing risks of low education outcomes
- Equal opportunities - access to the labour market

European Commission
Audit and control – Protection of the EU’s financial interests

Audit and control systems:
- Sufficient and robust
- The audit and control system is based on established structures
- Detailed description of the control system and the arrangements put in place to ensure the implementation of the measures in line with the applicable rules and regulations
- The Ministry of Finance is the central coordinating body.

Framework to protect against serious irregularities in the use of funds:
- Fraud
- Corruption
- Double funding

Milestones and targets:
- Clear and comprehensive milestones and targets.
- Robust verification mechanisms, data collection and responsibilities.
The disbursement profile and associated packages of milestones and targets
Thank you