

AUSTRIA – THE LOCATION FOR YOUR NEW AUTONOMOUS DRIVING R&D LAB

Austria – a world leading R&D destination

Overview

- R&D expenditures are, at over 3% of GDP, among the highest in the world – **second in Europe and above Germany and the US.**
- Leading multinationals rely on Austria for their **R&D activities**, including Amazon, Infineon, Intel, Siemens, and Bosch.
- Strong economy with the **4th highest GDP per capita in the EU.**



Key advantages for an autonomous driving R&D lab:

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Fill autonomous driving engineering positions easily and quickly thanks to an established talent pool of autonomous driving researchers and a steady pipeline of new talent.

Existing talent pool of autonomous driving experts:

- A large **existing talent pool of autonomous driving experts** as well as related autonomous system and sensorics researchers
- Leading firms such as **Magna Steyr, AVL, and TTTech Auto** conduct **autonomous driving R&D in Austria**. Universities and **research institutions**, including Virtual Vehicle and the Austrian Institute of Technology, employ autonomous driving researchers.
- The wider autonomous system cluster is home to leading players such as **Amazon and Ehang** who **develop autonomous drones in Austria**. Infineon hosts its **autonomous driving sensor R&D in Austria**.



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Prime Air

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Talent pipeline:

- TU Graz - Institute for Automation and Control: around 15 Master and 5 PhD graduates each year who specialize in **computer vision** or **movement planning** aspects of autonomous driving.
- FH Joanneum: over 50 graduates annually in **automotive engineering**
- TU Vienna – Institute of visual computing: around 100 graduates per year.
- JKU Linz – artificial intelligence program: 270 bachelor and 140 master students per year (with relevant specializations in **autonomous systems** and **signal processing**).
- Many universities host award-winning **self-driving racing car teams** – showing the passion of new talent for this field.

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2 Speed up your R&D by cooperating with leading researchers in the field.

- Universities and local research institutions with expertise in autonomous driving offer cooperation opportunities.
- Public funding and **R&D incentives** are available for autonomous driving R&D projects.



3 Test your algorithms and prototypes at Europe's most diverse testing environment for autonomous vehicles.

- Alp.Lab offers testing opportunities for autonomous vehicles in one of **Europe's largest testing areas** for autonomous vehicles.
- Covering **all aspects of testing autonomous vehicles** on public and private roads from equipment preparation to validation of results.



4 Take advantage of our extensive and cost-free support

- The Austrian Business Agency is committed to ensuring a smooth and fast start of your operations.
- We provide **confidential support** and can assist you by:
 - Providing **comprehensive information** about all aspects of Austria as a business location.
 - **Identifying potential Austrian partners** and supplier linkages.
 - Identifying appropriate **sites, office locations and commercial properties**.
 - Advising on **incentives and finance opportunities**.
 - Assisting with **labor, tax and legal issues**.

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