

A Fact Sheet

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The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is a multilateral development finance institution owned by 63 members, 45 from Asia and the Pacific and 18 from other parts of the globe. ADB's vision is an Asia and Pacific region free of poverty. Its mission is to help its developing member countries reduce poverty and improve their living conditions and quality of life. ADB pursues a strategic agenda—sustainable economic growth, inclusive social development, and governance for effective policies and institutions—with three crosscutting themes: private sector development, regional cooperation, and environmental sustainability.

ADB's main instruments in providing help to its developing member countries are policy dialogues, loans, technical assistance, grants, guarantees, and equity investments. In 2003, ADB's total lending volume was US\$6.1 billion. Technical assistance, which is used for preparing and implementing projects, supporting advisory activities, and undertaking regional activities, amounted to US\$176.5 million. Grants totaling US\$483.5 million were also provided.

ADB was established in 1966. Austria was one of its 31 founding members.

ADB's headquarters is in Manila. It has 23 offices around the world.

ADB's staff numbers more than 2,000 employees from over 50 countries.

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Shareholding and Voting Power

Austria is the ninth largest shareholder in ADB among its nonregional members, a position it shares with Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, and Turkey. Overall, Austria is the 28th largest shareholder, a position it shares with Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, and Turkey.

Number of shares held:	12,040 (0.34% of total shares)
Votes:	25,925 (0.59% of total membership, 1.69% of total nonregional membership)
Overall capital subscription:	US\$178.91 million
Paid-in capital subscription:	US\$12.53 million

Contributions to Special Funds Resources

Austria has contributed to the Asian Development Fund (ADF), which is ADB's window for concessional lending to its borrowing members, and to the Technical Assistance Special Fund (TASF), which provides grants to borrowing members to help prepare projects and undertake technical or policy studies.

Contributions to the ADF (committed):	US\$213.92 million
Contributions to the TASF (committed):	US\$2.00 million

Share of ADB's Procurement Contracts

Each year, ADB provides loans to fund projects and activities in its Asian and Pacific developing members and several billion US dollars' worth of contracts to procure goods and consulting services.

From 1 January 1999 to 31 December 2003, ADB approved US\$27.66 billion in loans for 318 projects and US\$839.3 million in technical assistance for 1,503 projects. As of 31 December 2003, the cumulative totals were US\$105.07 billion in loans for 1,818 projects in 39 countries and US\$2.20 billion for 5,053 technical assistance projects, including regional technical assistance projects.

Procurement contracts for goods and related services, civil works, and consulting services under loan and technical assistance operations totaled US\$4.46 billion in 2002 and US\$3.50 billion in 2003. Cumulative procurement as of 31 December 2003 was US\$70.94 billion. Most contracts were awarded on the basis of international competition, which is open to firms and individuals from any ADB member country, regional or nonregional.

Austria's share of procurement contracts, 2002–2003.

Item	2002		2003		Cumulative (as of 31 Dec. 2003)	
	Amount (US\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (US\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (US\$ million)	% of Total
Goods and Related Services, and Civil Works	10.23	0.24	15.56	0.49	247.71	0.38
Consulting Services	0.01	0.00	0.16	0.04	4.70	0.09

Contractors/Suppliers Involved in ADB Projects

Contractors/suppliers from Austria involved in ADB loan projects, 1 January 1999–31 December 2003.

Contractor/Supplier	Sector	Contract Amount (US\$ million)
Plasser & Theurer	Transport and Communications/ Multisector	25.17
Va Tech Hydro-Elindo Consortium	Energy	11.74
Voest-Alpine Schienen GmbH	Transport and Communications	8.81
Wa Tech Wabag GmbH	Social Infrastructure	5.46
Wabag-Waseenco (JV)	Social Infrastructure	5.37
Polyfelt GmbH	Agriculture and Natural Resources	3.56
Hans Kuenz GesmbH	Energy	0.76
E. Hawle & Company Armaturenwerke	Social Infrastructure	0.04
Mosdorfer Elektrotechnik Ges	Energy	0.04

Consultants Involved in ADB Projects

From 1 January 1985 to 31 December 2003, consultants were involved in 4,429 contracts for ADB loan projects worth US\$2.37 billion. During the same period, consultants from Austria were involved in 8 contracts for ADB loan projects worth US\$2.45 million.

Top consultants (individual consultants and consulting firms) from Austria involved in ADB loan projects, 1 January 1999–31 December 2003.

Consultant	Contract (number)	Contract Amount (US\$ million)
SGS Austria Control Company	2	0.24
Austrian Individual Consultant	1	0.01

From 1 January 1985 to 31 December 2003, consultants were involved in 10,523 contracts for ADB technical assistance projects worth US\$1.60 billion. During the same period, consultants from Austria were involved in 4 contracts for ADB technical assistance projects worth US\$0.72 million.

Top consultants (individual consultants and consulting firms) from Austria involved in ADB technical assistance projects, 1 January 1999–31 December 2003.

Consultant	Contract (number)	Contract Amount (US\$ million)
Raiffeisen Investment AG	1	0.67
Austrian Individual Consultant	1	0.01

Depository Libraries

ADB's Depository Library Program was established in response to increasing public interest in the activities of multilateral development institutions. Many ADB documents available to the public are stored in more than 160 depository libraries worldwide.

ADB depository libraries in Austria.

Host Institution	Contact Information
Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien	Mag. Gertraud Wehrmann, HR Universitätsbibliothek Augasse 2-6 A-1090 Vienna, Austria
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ADB Governor

The Honorable Karl-Heinz Grasser, Federal Minister of Finance, is the Governor for Austria in ADB.

ADB Alternate Governor

Mr. Thomas Wieser, Director General for European Integration and Customs, Federal Ministry of Finance, is the Alternate Governor for Austria in ADB.

ADB Executive Director

Mr. Rolf A. Eckermann is the ADB Executive Director for Austria. Mr. Eckermann, who is from Germany, served as ADB Alternate Executive Director and was Head of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development's Seat in Berlin.

ADB Alternate Executive Director

Ms. Nicola Jenns is the ADB Alternate Executive Director for Austria. Ms. Jenns, who is from the United Kingdom, served as ADB Executive Director's Advisor and for the Department for International Development in Manila, Sierra Leone, and London.

Mr. Rolf Eckermann and Ms. Nicola Jenns also provide technical advice and assist Austrian, German, Luxembourg, Turkish, and British firms in their contacts with ADB.

Constituency Represented

The constituency that Executive Director Eckermann and Alternate Executive Director Jenns represent on ADB's Board of Directors also includes Germany, Luxembourg, Turkey, and United Kingdom.

Commercial Liaison to ADB

The Commercial Counsellor at the Austrian Embassy in Manila, in liaison with the ADB Executive Director for Austria, provides technical advice and assists Austrian firms in pursuing business opportunities resulting from ADB activities. The Commercial Counsellor's Office, headed by **Mr. Wolfgang H. Harwalik**, Trade Commissioner, is located on the 14th Floor, Pacific Star Building, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue corner Makati Avenue, Makati City, Philippines. Tel: (632) 818-1581 or 818-1614

ADB Staff Members

As of 31 December 2003, there were four professional staff members from Austria in ADB (0.48% of the total professional staff).

Annual Meetings

ADB's 5th Annual Meeting on 20–22 April 1972 and 11th Annual Meeting on 24–26 April 1978 were held in Vienna.

European Representative Office

ADB's European Representative Office—which covers Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, and United Kingdom—is located at Rahmhofstrasse 2-4, 60313 Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

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