IMMIGRATE TO AUSTRIA

Welcome to the Highly Qualified Professionals to Work and Live in Austria

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About Austria

Austria covers an area of 83,878 square kilometres with a population of 8,375,290 residents (as of 1 January 2010), including 895,144 foreign citizens (11% of total population). In 2010, an average of 1,543 million people with migration background lived in Austria i.e 18, 6% of the entire population.

Vienna is Austria’s most densely populated province with 4,097 residents per square kilometre. The Tyrol is the least densely populated province with 56 inhabitants per square kilometre. In 2009, the average life expectancy was 80 years. Austria is bordered by Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Germany, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia and Italy.

Government: Federal Republic
Language: German
Currency: EUR
Religion: Roman Catholic
Climate: moderate, continental
Time zone: +1 GMT
Member of EU: Yes

Austria has the strongest economies in the world with lots of jobs in textiles, machinery and metallurgical industries.

Few facts of Austria

- In labour market policy - in addition to specific measures to support women - the equality of women and men is taken into consideration as an across-the-board objective in all areas of politics and in all activities via the strategy of Gender Mainstreaming.
- Safety at work and health protection-Targeted health and safety measures aim to avoid the danger of accidents, occupational diseases, work-related illness and permanent damage to health.
- Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), the observance of human rights within the entire value-added chain.
- More funding for long-term care.
- The insured and his/her dependants are entitled to receive medical care from a general practitioner, specialist or dentist who has a contract with the health insurance fund. A list of such doctors is available from the health insurance fund.
- Medicines are prescribed by the practitioner and dispensed at pharmacies. One has to pay a prescription charge of €5.10 (2011) per item. One can claim exemption if one’s income falls below a certain minimum amount. There is an annual charge of €10 for the E-card (social insurance card) (exceptions apply).

Economy in Austria

The Austrian economy grew by 2.1% in 2010 (according to preliminary WIFO calculations). In 2010 the GDP was increased by €10.1 billion or 3.7% to around €284.4 billion at current prices. The GDP per capita was €33,900 (+3.4%). As measured by the GDP per capita, Austria is in the upper sector not only within the EU but world-wide.

(Source: Statistik Austria)

The Austrian economic structure is mainly dominated by small

- Food Industries
- Machine and Steel Industry
- Chemical and Vehicle Industry
- Electric and Electronic Industry
- Wood and Paper Industry
Employment in Austria

In Austria, anyone above the age 15 can get a job and respectively after later completion of compulsory school. Before completion of compulsory school, young people above 15 may be employed in certain cases such as an apprenticeship or practical training. Children and young people up to age 18 are covered by child and youth employment legislation.

The type of employment stipulated in the employment contract does not necessarily correspond to the real-life situation: e.g. a contract may state a freelance services contract, although the occupation is carried-out in personal dependence, meaning the employed person is bound by instruction, directions regarding working hours, place of work etc. In this case the contract is in fact a regular employment contract and the respective rules apply.

✓ The Integration Agreement is intended to enable the integration of foreign nationals lawfully settled in Austria.
✓ Its purpose is to provide in-depth German language skills, in particular reading and writing skills, with an aim to enable third-country nationals to participate in social, economic and cultural life in Austria.

Third-country nationals are obliged to complete Module 1 when first granted one of the following residence titles:
✓ "Red-White-Red Card"
✓ "Red-White-Red Card Plus"
✓ "Settlement Permit"
✓ "Settlement Permit – Gainful Employment Excluded"
✓ "Settlement Permit – Dependant"
✓ "Family Member"

Jobseeker Visa for Very Highly Qualified Worker

Workers are considered very highly qualified if they achieve at least 70 out of 100 points according to the points system. This category is addressing very highly qualified and experienced top-level personnel, such as scientists and senior top-level management.

Third-country citizens with a very high level of qualifications may apply for a six-month visa for the purpose of job search.

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Very highly qualified workers who have obtained a job search visa may apply for a Red-White-Red Card with the competent residence authority in Austria if they are able to submit an employment offer (work contract) during the period of validity of the visa. The competent authority can either be the Provincial Governor (Landeshauptmann), the Authorised Regional Administrative Authority (Bezirkshauptmannschaft) or the Local Administrative Authority (Magistrat).

Austria is known as one of the richest countries in the world with high living standards
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Eligibility for Job Seeker Visa

- Special qualifications and skills [- Post-doctoral qualification (habilitation) or PhD in the subjects like mathematics, informatics, natural sciences or technology (MINT subjects)]
- Gross salary of previous year earned in a senior management position with a company listed on the stock exchange or a company for which the Austrian foreign trade office in charge issued a positive report about its activities or business segment
- Work experience (adequately reflecting applicant's qualification or senior management position)
- Language skills (IELTS or TOEFL Required)
- Age Below 45 years
- If an applicant has studied in Austria (will be an added advantage)

When will a Red-White-Red Card be issued?

Very highly qualified workers with valid jobseeker visas may apply for a Red-White-Red Card for twelve months. During the validity period of visa, if applicants manage to find an employer offering them a work relevant to their level of qualification then they become eligible for Red-White-Red Card.

Very highly qualified persons permitted to enter Austria under a visa-free regime may apply for the Red-White-Red Card during their lawful visa-free stay in Austria.

Cost

- Opulentus processing charges 25,000
- Visa fees is 100 Euros to be paid in cash in Indian Rupees and is subject to change accordingly to the present exchange rate
- Processing time 2 -3 months (discretion on the embassy)
- Opulentus processing time after all the documents is received (3-4 weeks)