

recommendation

Austrian Council for Research and Technology Development

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Recommendation Regarding the Use of the Final Tranche of the Funding Provided by the National Foundation for RTD for 2014

The Board of Trustees of the National Foundation for RTD has requested the Austrian Council for Research and Technology Development to define potential key areas for the allocation of funding in 2014 that are consistent with the Research Strategy 2020. Following a detailed discussion and with a view to ensuring the long-term planning and continuity underlying the National Foundation's activities, the Austrian Council recommends the following substantive focus for 2014.

Priorities for 2014

(Basic Principles for the 43 Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the National Foundation, 26 June 2013)

- Strengthen research infrastructure by focusing on initiatives with a suitable critical mass and risk potential
- Strengthen national human potential base
- Increase venture capital
- Strengthen the contribution of intellectual property protection to growth and innovation
- Strengthen innovation potential through Open Innovation
- Coordination and alignment of regional and federal RTI activities
- Excellence in basic research
- Measures to make Austria more attractive as a location for research-intensive companies

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