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# Vienna. The Digital City.

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> **First contact** point for national and international companies. Funding + real estates/facilities + information/networking

# First contact point for "Anything Digital"

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#### **¬** What we do:

We scout, monitor, connect companies that carry out research and innovation projects with development partners and pilot customers in industry, science and public administration.

- ¬ Focus: FinTech (e-commerce), Blockchain, HR-Tech, Cloud Computing, Security, AI, Mobile,....
- See our Technology Reports: <u>https://viennabusinessagency.at/technology/technology-hotspot-vienna/digital-technologies/</u>
- **¬ Goal:** To support, build, foster & promote the ecosystem

# Focus ICT & Digitalisation

### Facts and figures (1)

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# → Vienna is as much a tech location as it is a tourism destination

- ¬ ICT revenue is 4x higher than in the tourism industry
- ¬ Revenue growth: 2017: 5,7%, 2018: 5,76%
- ¬ 5.830 companies (ca. 15.480 in Austria)
- ¬ 54.520 employees (105.900 in Austria)

Source: Statistik Austria, HV Sozialvers., MA23, Computerwelt

# The largest ICT companies by volume

- A1 Telekom Austria
- Kapsch Group
- T-Mobile Austria GmbH -Magenta Telekom
- Microsoft Österreich GmbH.

- Samsung Electronics Austria
- ACP Group AG: IT Provider, Managed Services
- TTTech: networked computer systems in transportation and industrial segments

# Strong momentum

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> Revenue growth 2017: 5,7%, 2018: 5,76% 2018: more then 6.000 new Jobs in Austria fastest growing export category in Austria (net export: 3,8 bn. €: 1,1% in relation to the GDP, which is higher than eg. Germany or Finland)

## Three IT-Companies from Vienna to remember

- ¬ Kapsch Group business communication, Telematics approx. 5,000 employees worldwide generated total revenue of € 908.8 million
- Frequentis air traffic control, public safety & security (1600 employees, revenue 252 million)
- ¬ TTTech 500 employees worldwide, approx. 125 million
  → Samsung Electronics invested 75 million in strategic Partnership to Deliver Next Generation of Autonomous and Safety Technology to Automakers

#### **Recent success stories**

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¬ Tricentis, Leader of software testing according to Gartner, 01/2017:

\$165 million series B funding

¬ Stream Unlimited, streaming audio multi-room solutions, in 11/2017:

Google aquired 41% of Stream Unlimited

# ICT-Hotspots in Vienna

## Selected ICT-Topic: Visual Computing

- ¬ Includes Technologies like:
  - Interactive Visual Analytics, Image recognition, Computer Vision, Virtual & Augmented Reality, ...
- Visual Computing is being researched and taught as a priority at many universities, research facilities and companies.
- It is an interdisciplinary field, which, for many applications, is already part of everyday life and work.

## Selected ICT-Topic: Visual Computing (Research)

- VRVis: Austria's leading research institution in the field of visual computing building a bridge between science and industry.
- ¬ TU Vienna: Promoting scientific excellence and top-quality teaching for over 200 years.
- AIT: Austria's largest Research and Technology Organisation (RTO) and an international leading development partner for the industry.

## Selected ICT-Topic: Visual Computing (Companies)

- Anyline: The expert in mobile text recognition. Anyline gives every smartphone the power to read, interpret and process visual information.
- ViewAR: The ViewAR system is an SDK for AR and VR, allowing for creation of efficient mobile and web applications. Winner of the international AWE Auggie Award for the best AR-App.



#### **Topic: E-Government**

- Digital Signature, Companies/land charge register, Electronic health record (ELGA), FinanzOnline, Mobile Parking, Sag's Wien App,....
- Citizen Participation
- Digital Agenda Vienna: <u>http://digitaleagenda.wien/english.html</u> can be seen as a 'to-do list' for the city. It summarizes which projects and activities fall under the responsibilities of the city council.
- ¬ Open Government Data: Vienna as a pioneer
- ¬ A-Trust, Anecon, BRZ (Data processing center), MobileSign,...

#### **Topic: E-Government**

- European Commission: Austria No. 3 eGovernment ranking (behind Malta and Estland) – 36 countries evaluated (2019)
- ¬ App "Digitales Amt" (digital authority)

## Topic: Security (Research, Education)

- ¬ Vienna Cybersecurity and Privacy Research Center (VISP)
- ¬ COMET Center: Secure Business Austria (SBA),
- ¬ Research: Austrian Institute of Technology (AIT)
- ¬ Security Hub initiatives (Companies, R & D)
- FH Campus Vienna: Competence Center IT-Security, FH Technikum Wien: R&D-focus in Secure Services, eHealth & Mobility.

#### **Topic: Security (Research)**

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> Vienna Cybersecurity and Privacy Research Center (VISP) center for education and research in cybersecurity and privacy (Start 2019; receives funding from the VBA)

> Three academic partners: TU Vienna (applying institution), Institute of Science and Technology Austria (IST Austria), and University of Vienna

#### **Topic: Security (Research)**

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The aim of **VISP** is to break down the silos and boost the existing research synergies among the partner institutions, to establish a graduate educational program in cybersecurity and privacy, and to create all together an internationally leading research and educational brand for cybersecurity and privacy in Vienna.

### **Topic: Security (Companies)**

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**Radar Services**: One of Europe's leading technology companies in the field of Detection & Response. Largest Cyber Defense Center in Europe

Awarded 2016 as one of EMEAs fastest growing tech companies (more than 100 employees)

**IKARUS:** Austrian pioneer of the software industry focusing AntiVirus and content security. One of the first AntiVirus vendors.

### **Topic: Security (Companies)**

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**CRYPTAS:** as a professional IT-security company, is focused on digital identity, reliable authentication methods, encryption and digital signatures The **Vienna Metalab** regularly organizes CryptoParties where easy access to the issue of privacy on the Internet, cryptography and remarkable things are discussed.

#### **Topic: AI Location Vienna**

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> Austria might not be the first country that comes to your mind when thinking about Artificial Intelligence, nevertheless lots of great startups, corporates and research institutions have been creating world-class solutions powered by AI.

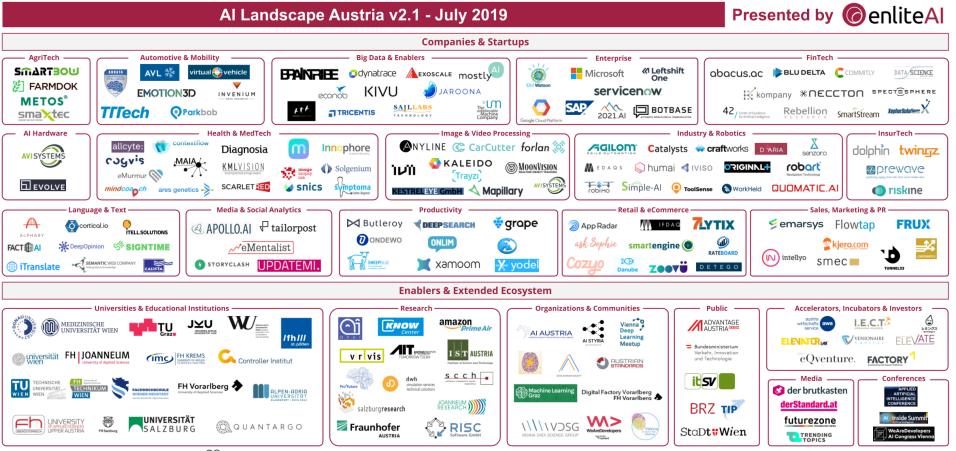
With AI one can argue a historical continuity, which can be traced back to the Vienna circle of the 1920s and 1930s years. Some of today's players also have a long tradition: in 1984, the Austrian Research Institute for Artificial Intelligence (OFAI) was founded.

### **Topic: AI Location Vienna**

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#### **Main research institutions**

- The Austrian Research Institute for Artificial Intelligence (OFAI) of the Austrian Society for Cybernetic Studies (OSGK)
- ¬ TU Wien
- ¬ Medical University of Vienna
- Austrian Institute of Technology
- ¬ VRVis Center for Virtual Reality and Visualization
- Institute of Advanced Research in Artificial Intelligence



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#### **Topic: FinTech Location Vienna**

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#### **Examples:**

**CPB Software** - Founded as a banking software specialist, CPB Software is today a leading company for complex IT and offers one-stop solutions for banks, financial service providers and auditors.

**Finnest** - is a platform for crowdinvesting on the Austrian and German markets. Potential investors based in Austria, Germany or Switzerland offer "qualified subordinated loans" to selected companies based in Austria or Germany.

# We foster a vivid ecosystem

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> We promote the networking of partners from industry, SMEs, research institutions and city administrations.

#### See our FinTech Report

https://viennabusinessagency.at/technology/te chnology-hotspot-vienna/digital-technologies/

#### FinTech companies in and from Vienna





## Topic: Blockchain Location Vienna

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Austrian Blockchain Center (ABC) is the world's largest competence center in the area of Blockchain. The aim of the center is to foster research in the field of Blockchain (and related) technologies, in order to be used in industrial applications such as Industry 4.0 / IoT as well as in the areas of finance, energy, logistics, government and administration. www.abc-research.at/

**RIAT – Institute for future cryptoeconomics** (since 2012) is one of the oldest private research institutes in the field of Blockchain and Cryptocurrencies. RIAT is dealing with cryptoeconomics (with a focus on BC and other Cryptocurrencies), privacy technologies and open hardware. The institute explores and shapes the future of decentralization.

## Topic: Blockchain Location Vienna

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**Bitpanda** – Bitpanda is an easy-to-use wealth building platform where users can buy, sell, store and exchange all their digital assets.

**RIDDLE&CODE** - Provider of blockchain-based end-to-end solutions. The hardware and software systems enable companies to efficiently meet challenges in the areas of machine identity, product origin and supply chain management. RIDDLE&CODE combines the security of smart cards with the potential of Bitcoin Technology and the Internet of Things (IoT).

## Topic: Blockchain Location Vienna

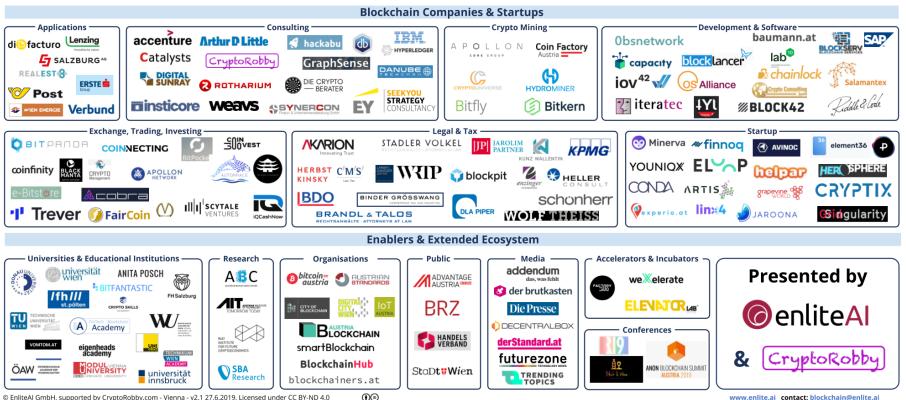
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#### **Other Examples:**

- Capacity Offers consultancy in running token sales and implementing blockchain. In cooperation with the Austrian Postal Service, they developed the so-called crypto-stamps.
- Vaultitude LegalTech
- Blockchain community meetings (City of Vienna and VBA coop)
- Wien Energy and the City of Vienna are testing initial blockchain applications

### **Topic: Blockchain Location**

#### Blockchain Landscape Austria v2.1 - July 2019



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# Funding Opportunities

- Grants for
- ¬ Initiation of R&D projects
- ¬ R&D projects, MVP
- ¬ innovative services, products, processes
- ¬ Implementation of IT solutions
- entry into international markets

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# Call "Future ICT 2020"

up to 500.000 EUR for ICT R&D projects of Viennese companies Cybersecurity, 5G, Blockchain and AI Kick-off December 3rd at VBA

# Startup City Vienna Landing Page

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> The site contains all the relevant information about the offers and stakeholders of the Viennese start-up scene (VCs, Incubators etc.), and informs for the first time about current open "Calls to Actions", which are especially interesting for international start-ups:

www.startupcityvienna.at

# Take aways

- ¬ Vienna is a tech location
- $\neg$  With strong momentum
- Vienna Business Agency provides funding, cross-linking to innovation players and the City of Vienna, special support to start up companies



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# Thank you for your attention!

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