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**Land registers in EU countries**

Austria

This section of the Portal provides an overview of Austria's land register.

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**What does the Austrian land register offer?**

The land register (*Grundbuch*) provides answers to both **legal** and **factual** questions. It contains the records of all legally binding Austrian property transactions.

The **land register** and its electronic document archive can be consulted via the [Austrian Justice](#) homepage.

**Is access to the land register free of charge?**

For access a small fee has to be paid. To gain access, contact one of the access providers or 'clearing houses' (*Verrechnungsstellen*) listed in the *Grundbuch* section of the [Austrian Justice](#) homepage.

**How to search the land register**

By **entering the name of the municipality** (*Gemeinde*) **and the number of the plot** (the *Einlagezahl* or 'EZ') **or the number of the property** (*Grundstücksnummer*), the following information may be obtained from the database:

excerpts from the land register,  
excerpts from the register maps,  
copies of maps.

This information includes all recently entered data. Data that has been deleted may also be obtained on request provided it was entered after the conversion to the electronic register. Older data is available on paper only.

It is not possible to **obtain information on persons**. For information on persons, interested parties must apply to the land register office (*Grundbuchsabteilung*) of any district court (*Bezirksgericht*), showing that they have a legal interest in obtaining the information.

**History of the land register**

The old land register recorded and stored information on paper. Between 1980 and 1992, the records were transferred to the land register database.

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