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# Sharing good practice for tackling nitrate pollution from farms & farmsteads 2

Does one measure fit all?

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## Introduction to IMPEL

The European Union Network for the Implementation and Enforcement of Environmental Law (IMPEL) is an international non-profit association of the environmental authorities of the EU Member States, acceding and candidate countries of the European Union and EEA countries. The association is registered in Belgium and its legal seat is in Brussels, Belgium.

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During the previous years IMPEL has developed into a considerable, widely known organisation, being mentioned in a number of EU legislative and policy documents, e.g. the 7th Environment Action Programme and the Recommendation on Minimum Criteria for Environmental Inspections.

The expertise and experience of the participants within IMPEL make the network uniquely qualified to work on both technical and regulatory aspects of EU environmental legislation.

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| <b>Executive Summary</b><br><br>The Member States of the EU show a large variation in agricultural structure and practices, environmental conditions, institutional organisation and legal traditions. This diversity is reflected in the measures taken and their control within the framework of the relevant directives. When sharing experiences in IMPEL it is therefore important to cover a variety of situations.<br><br>A field visit took place in Austria in October 2016. The main aim of the visit was to explore how measures at different levels (national and regional) are used to tackle diffuse pollution as well as experience regional differences, as the Austrian landscape, and hence agricultural structure, varies considerably between different regions.<br><br>The attendants appreciated the opportunities offered by a field visit as a method of learning and sharing experiences in comparison to a written document. But in future projects it would be interesting to explore other ways of communicating and sharing good practice. Furthermore, discussions within this project have led to a new project proposal, which - if accommodated - should result in a visual guidance tool (video) on 2-3 different approaches to control manure storage capacity. |   |
| <b>Disclaimer</b><br><br>This report is the result of a project within the IMPEL network. The content does not necessarily represent the view of the national administrations or the Commission.   |   |



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## 1. Introduction

This project was a follow up on previous projects regarding nitrates diffuse pollution from agriculture running from 2013. The legislative drivers are the Water Framework Directive and Nitrates Directive. Information about the previous projects can be found at the IMPEL website:

<http://www.impel.eu/projects/good-practice-for-tackling-nitrate-pollution-from-farms-and-farmsteads/>

## 2. Background

The European Commission has highlighted nitrate pollution from agriculture as a crucial area for IMPEL to work on due to poor levels of compliance with the Water Framework Directive and the Nitrates Directive.

According to the project terms of references the intended outcome of the 2016 project was to expand the good practice document from the 2014 project with additional examples of how to control balanced fertilization by calculations simpler than the Danish method of fertilizer accounting already described in the document. However, when drafting the project's terms of references, the project team had not yet made arrangements with a host. After arranging with the Austrian host (Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management) the focus of the project was changed.

The new focus of the project, "Does one measure fit all", was inspired by the discussions of previous years' projects where attendants pointed out that, what is good or best practice in one country or region is not necessarily good or best practice elsewhere. The Member States of the EU show a large variation in agricultural structure and practices, environmental conditions, institutional organisation and legal traditions. This diversity is reflected in the measures taken and their control within the framework of the relevant directives. When sharing experiences in IMPEL it is therefore important to cover a variety of situations.

## 3. Project visit in Austria

A field visit took place in Austria 3rd – 5th October 2016. The visit was arranged by the project team of the Danish Environmental Protection Agency in cooperation with contacts at the Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management (BMLFUW).



The main aim of the visit was to explore - with Austria as a case study - how measures at different levels (national and regional) are used to tackle diffuse pollution as well as experience regional differences, as the Austrian landscape, and hence agricultural structure, varies considerably between different regions. Among the covered topics were: General instruments, governmental and regional initiatives as well as practical examples in different parts of Austria to tackle nutrient pollution to surface and ground water.

The field visit commenced at the federal ministry (BMLFUW) in Vienna with introductions to IMPEL in general, the programme of the excursions on day 2 and 3 and to Austrian agriculture, water protection, cross compliance administration etc. During the following two days there were excursions with visits to several places with presentations, discussions and outdoor site visits. The first day of excursions took place in the region of Upper Austria (Oberösterreich) and the second day in the region of Styria (Steiermark).

The attendants of the field visit were a mix of policy makers and inspectors from Austria, Belgium (Flanders), Cyprus, Denmark, Italy, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Sweden and one policy officer from DG Environment, the European Commission. The total number of attendants was 20 people.

#### 4. Activities of the field visit in Austria

##### **Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management (BMLFUW), Vienna**

At the federal ministry a series of presentations were given, introducing the project, IMPEL in general, the programme of the excursions on day 2 and 3 and Austrian agriculture, water protection, cross compliance administration etc.

The following presentations were given:

- Introduction to the project and to IMPEL in general
- Structure of Agriculture in Austria
- Water Quality in Austria and measures for water protection with focus on nutrient emissions to surface waters and groundwater
- Water protection in the Austrian rural development programme 2015-2020
- Rural Development program 2014-2020 and agrienvironmental program ÖPUL
- Cross Compliance (controls)
- Activities by regional governments – Lower Austria (NÖ LRG)
- Groundwater protection in lower Austria
- Research activities (HBLFA Raumberg-Gumpenstein)

The presentations can be seen in the annex.



## Federal Agency for Water Management – Institute for Land and Water Management Research (IKT)

The agency is an institution associated to the federal ministry (BMLFUW). It is a research institution for sustainable surface water and groundwater protection and has a strong collaboration with University of Technology Vienna (Doctoral programme).

A presentation was given about the role of and activities of the Institute for Land and Water Management. Afterwards there was a visit to a hydrological open air laboratory.

The presentation can be seen in annex.

## St. Florian, College of Agriculture (HLBLA)

The college is associated to the federal ministry (BMLFUW).

Presentations were given about:

- Activities of Regional Government of Upper Austria – Water Resources Management
- Activities of Chamber of Agriculture of Upper Austria – regional activities of the Boden.Wasser.Schutz.Beratung

After presentations and discussions there were a visit to experimental plots for catch crops at the college and a visit to a local farm participating in the agri-environmental programme ÖPUL.

The presentations can be seen in the annex.



Visit to experimental plots for catch crops at St. Florian, College of Agriculture (HLBLA)



Visit to a local farm participating in the agri-environmental programme ÖPUL

#### **Regional office of Maschinenring Steiermark**

Meeting and discussion with people from the regional government of Styria (The Water Management Unit), Maschinenring Steiermark and Joanneum Research. Afterwards there was a visit to a lysimeter station, operated by Joanneum Research, and another visit to a shared slurry lagoon at Ratzenau with showcase sampling of manure by Maschinenring (service provision to farmers).

Presentations were given about:

- The regional groundwater protection program of the Regional Government of Styria
- The project “Nutrient Management” by Maschinenring Steiermark
- Research on influence of agricultural practices on nitrate leaching to groundwater

The presentations can be seen in the annex.



*Visit to a shared slurry lagoon*

## 5. Outcome and conclusions

As mentioned previously the focus of this project was partially changed from aiming at expanding the good practice document to experiencing regional differences in tackling nitrates diffuse pollution.

One major conclusion of the project is that probably other methods of sharing good practice would be more efficient than the good practice document. Large documents with much reading tend to be forgotten after being published, and the language barrier can be difficult to overcome when writing the document. In general the attendants appreciated the opportunities offered by a field visit as a method of learning and sharing experiences in comparison to a written document.

In future projects it would be interesting to explore other ways of communicating and sharing good practice. This has also been debated within the IMPEL Water and Land Expert Team after the field visit in Austria.

Another conclusion from this project is that in a future project it would be relevant to focus more narrowly on one basic and pivotal measure relevant to all member states, but taking into consideration the regional differences when giving examples of good practice for the control.

Controlling manure storage capacity was highlighted as such a measure. Having sufficient capacity for storing manure is a simple way to limit the risk of manure being spread on fields at unfavourable times of the year



when crops do not uptake much Nitrogen, thus resulting in nitrate leaching. At the IMPEL Water Conference in Florence 5-6 October manure storage capacity was pointed out by Claire McCamphill from DG Environment as a very important issue in protecting the aquatic environment from nitrate leaching.

The conclusions from this project has led to submitting a project proposal to the IMPEL General Assembly, as part of a proposal for continuing the SWETE project (<http://www.impel.eu/projects/safeguarding-the-water-environment-throughout-europe-swete/>).

If accommodated, the outcome of this part of the SWETE project should be a visual guidance tool (video) on 2-3 different approaches to control manure storage capacity.



## Annex: Presentations from the field visit in Austria

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# “Does one measure fit all?”

**Minimizing diffuse nitrate pollution from farms  
in regions, varying in landscape and agricultural  
structure**



# Vienna is not Austria!



A photograph of a red tractor with a black front end and a red rear, plowing a brown field. The tractor is positioned on the left side of the frame, facing right. The background shows a line of green trees and a clear blue sky.

# "tour de table"

- 1) What is your name?**
- 2) Which country are you from?**
- 3) What do you work with in your "daily life"?**
- 4) Why did you sign up for this IMPEL excursion?**
- 5) What are your expectations for these 3 days?**

# **“Does one measure fit all?”**

## **How to minimize diffuse nitrate pollution from farms?**

- **in different regions, varying in:**
  - landscape
  - soil types
  - climate
  - ...
- **Varying in terms of agricultural structure:**
  - size
  - number of employees
  - annual turnover
  - Farming practice (organic vs. conventional)
  - ...

# AIM OF THIS STUDY VISIT

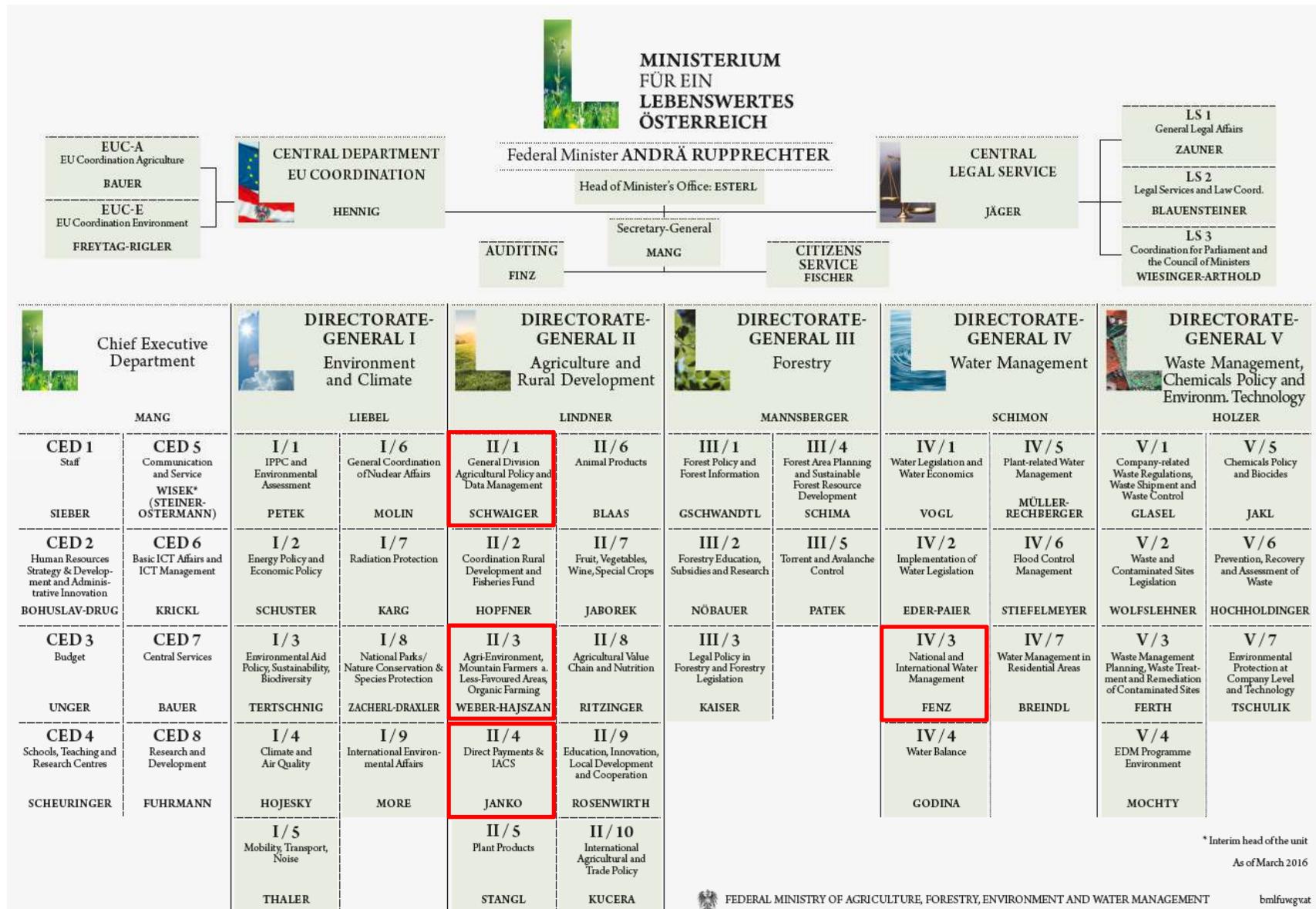


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## Introduction to

- Structure of Agriculture in Austria
- Water resources management and pressures from agricultural activity
- Measures at different levels to tackle diffuse pollution
  - National level
  - Regional level
  - Science and Innovation
- 1,5 days excursion to spot on regional differences and activities
  - Trip to Upper Austria – 4<sup>th</sup> October
  - Trip to Styria – 5<sup>th</sup> October

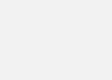
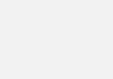
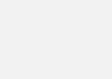
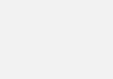
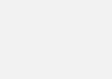
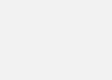
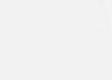
# BMLFUW : STRUCTURE



# INSTITUTIONS ALLOCATED TO BMLFUW



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| DIE DIENSTSTELLEN DES BMLFUW   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |                                |   |                                |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|---|--|---|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| SEKTION<br>Steuerung und<br>Services   |   |   | SEKTION I<br>Umwelt und<br>Klimaschutz   |   |   | SEKTION II<br>Landwirtschaft und<br>ländliche Entwicklung   |  |   | SEKTION III<br>Forstwirtschaft |   | SEKTION IV<br>Wasserwirtschaft |  | SEKTION V<br>Abfallwirtschaft, Chemie-<br>politik u. Umwelttech. |  |
| MANG   | LIEBEL  |   | LINDNER  |   |   | MANNSBIEGER   |  | SCHIMON   |                                | HOLZER  |                                |  |  |  |
| <b>PR. 4</b><br>Schulen, Zentren<br>für Leben und Forschung  |   |   |  |   |   | <b>II / 1</b><br>Gesellschaftsberatung Agrarpolitik und<br>Ressourcenmanagement   |  | <b>III / 2</b><br>Forstliche Bildung/Forschung und<br>Forschung   |                                | <b>IV / 3</b><br>Nationale und internationale<br>Wasserwirtschaft   |                                |  |  |  |
| <b>SCHEURINGER</b>   | <b>LIEBEL</b>   |   | <b>LINDNER</b>   |   |   | <b>SCHAUINGER*</b>  |  | <b>NOBAUER</b>  |                                | <b>FENZ</b>   |                                |  |  |  |
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## **IMPEL and nitrate diffuse pollution projects**

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- Website **impel.eu**



## Diffuse pollution projects

- **2012** The EU Commission had highlighted nitrate pollution from agriculture as a crucial area for IMPEL to work on
- **2013** IMPEL project: “Sharing good practice in tackling diffuse pollution and nitrate loss from farms and farmsteads”
  - Two field trips, in Denmark and Scotland
  - Fundamental ideas of which topics to work on in future projects
- **2014** IMPEL project: “Good practice in tackling nitrate pollution from farms and farmsteads”
  - Field trip in the Netherlands
  - Preparing first version of “Good practice document”
- **2015** No project this year
- **2016** IMPEL project: “Does one measure fit all?”



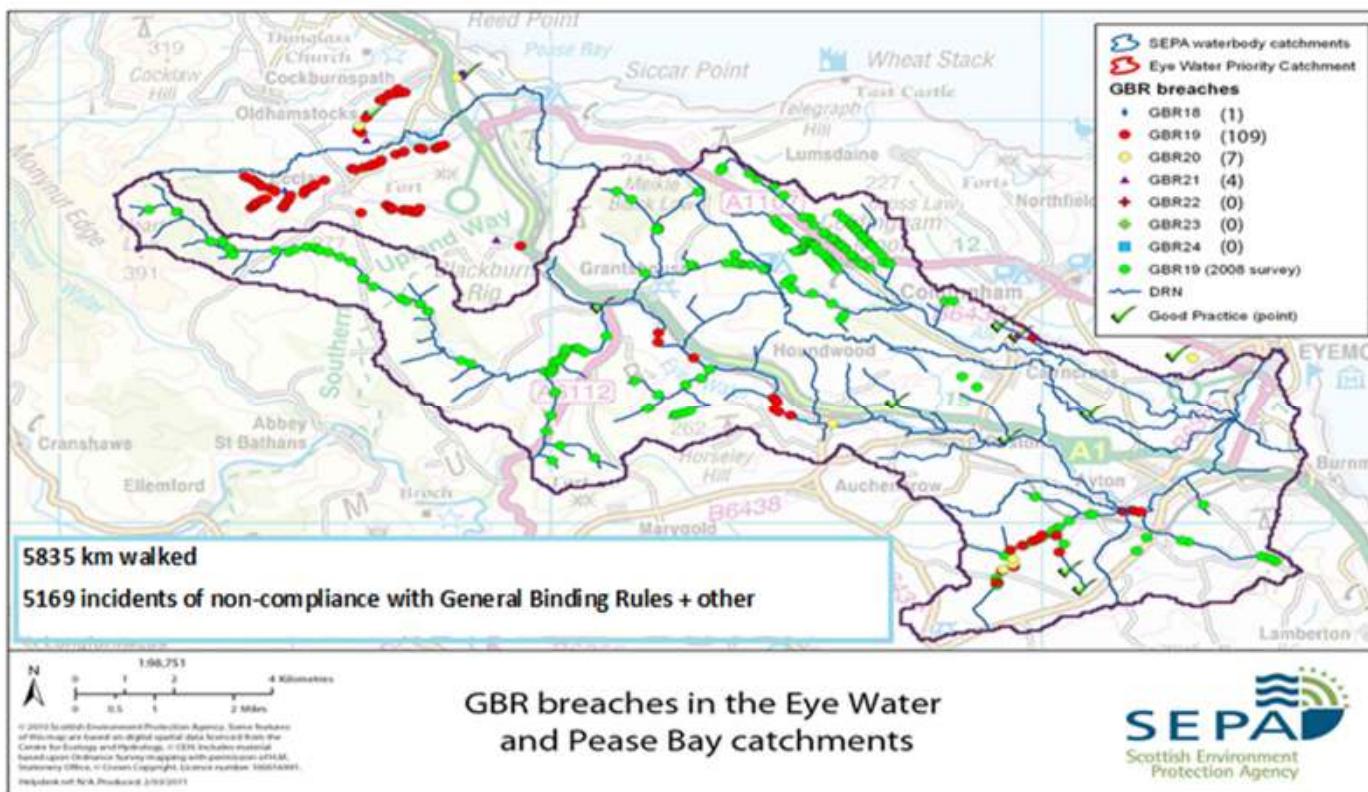
# Field trip in Denmark – Inspection on cattle farm

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# Field trip in Scotland – Catchment walks



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# Field trip in the Netherlands – Biogas at ACRRES



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# Field trip in the Netherlands – Exchanging experiences

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## Introduction video about IMPEL

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FACTS AND FIGURES**

**MICHAELA SCHWAIGER**





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# AUSTRIA

- **Area:** 8,38 Mio. ha (83.879 km<sup>2</sup>)
- **Borders:** 2.706 km
- **Inhabitants:** 8,69 Mio.





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# AGRICULTURE

## Facts and Figures

- 149.090 agricultural holdings
- 5,2 % of total population
- 19,2 ha average farm size
- 2,87 mio. ha agricultural area
- 1,37 mio. ha arable land
- 3,88 mio. ha forestry
  
- 20.976 organic farms
- 550.000 ha total organic area



# COMPARISON EU-AT



## Share of austrian agriculture on european agriculture 2014

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| ➤ agricultural used area | <b>2%</b> |
| ➤ agricultural holdings  | <b>1%</b> |
| ➤ arable land            | <b>1%</b> |
| ➤ permanent pasture      | <b>3%</b> |
| ➤ forest area            | <b>2%</b> |



## AGRICULTURE

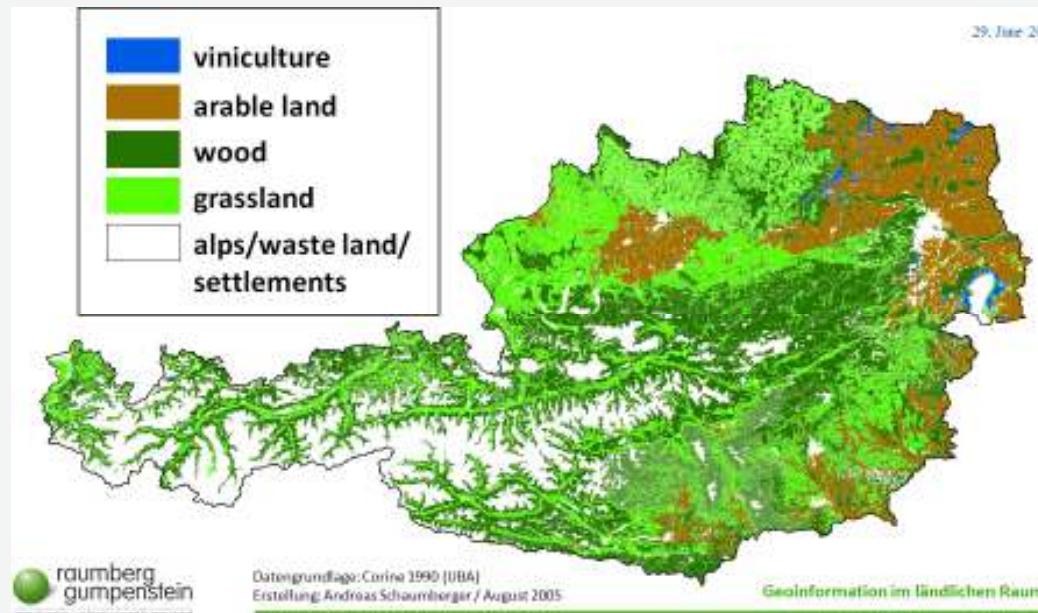
difficult conditions....

47% of total area is covered by forests

38% agricultural area

80% of total area is considered as less-favoured

75% of farms in these areas





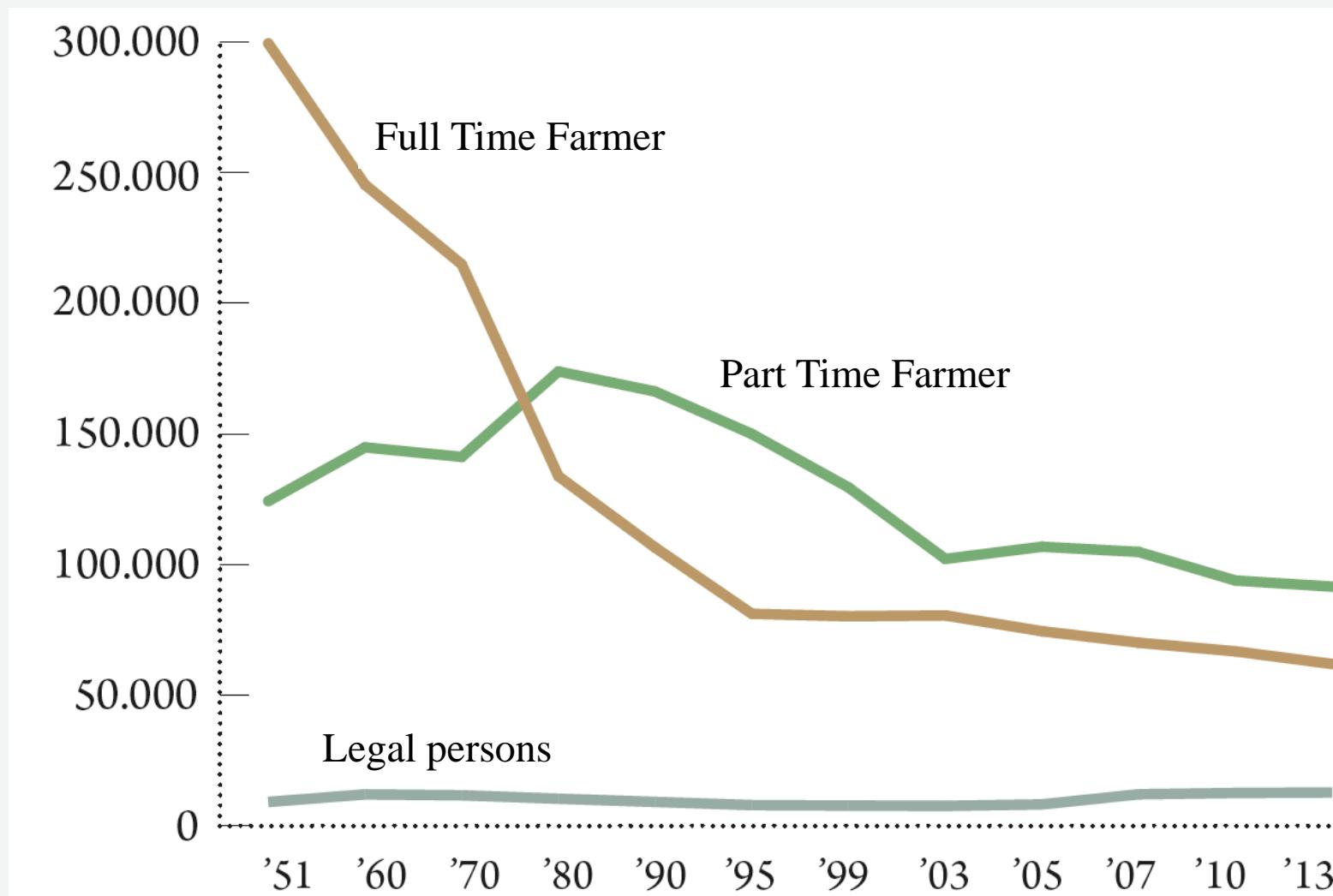
## HOLDINGS AND AREAS OVER TIME<sup>1)</sup>

| Year               | Number<br>of<br>holdings | Total area | Cultivated<br>area (CA) | Utilised<br>agricultural area<br>(UAA) | Average size<br>of holdings by<br>cultivated area |                    |
|--------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------|--|---|--------------------|
|                    |                          |            |                         |  | CA  | UAA per<br>holding |
| 1951               | 432,848                  | 8,135,744  | 7,068,862               | 4,080,266                              | 17.8  | 9.4                |
| 1960               | 402,286                  | 8,305,565  | 7,193,636               | 4,051,911                              | 19.5  | 9.9                |
| 1970               | 367,738                  | 7,727,379  | 6,757,443               | 3,696,453                              | 21.0  | 10.5               |
| 1980               | 308,246                  | 7,650,959  | 6,546,245               | 3,509,987                              | 24.8  | 11.6               |
| 1990               | 281,910                  | 7,554,815  | 6,761,005               | 3,521,570                              | 26.8  | 13.5               |
| 1995               | 239,099                  | 7,531,205  | 6,686,268               | 3,426,873                              | 31.5  | 15.3               |
| 1999               | 217,508                  | 7,518,615  | 6,650,206               | 3,389,905                              | 30.6  | 16.8               |
| 2005 <sup>2)</sup> | 189,591                  | 7,569,254  | 6,578,163               | 3,267,833                              | 34.7  | 18.8               |
| 2010               | 173,317                  | 7,347,535  | 6,285,646               | 2,879,895                              | 36.4  | 18.8               |
| 2013 <sup>2)</sup> | 166,317                  | 7,357,197  | 6,156,068               | 2,728,558                              | 37.1  | 18.83              |

# FULL-/PART-TIME FARMER IN AUSTRIA 2014



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Source: Statistics Austria

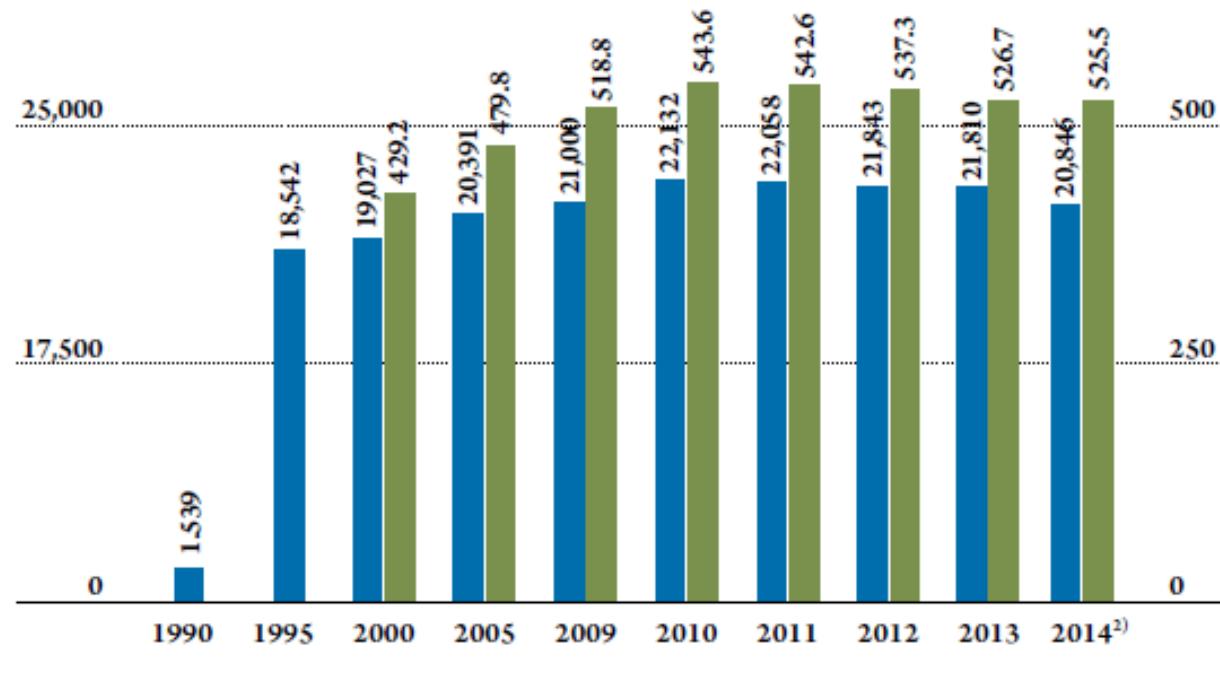
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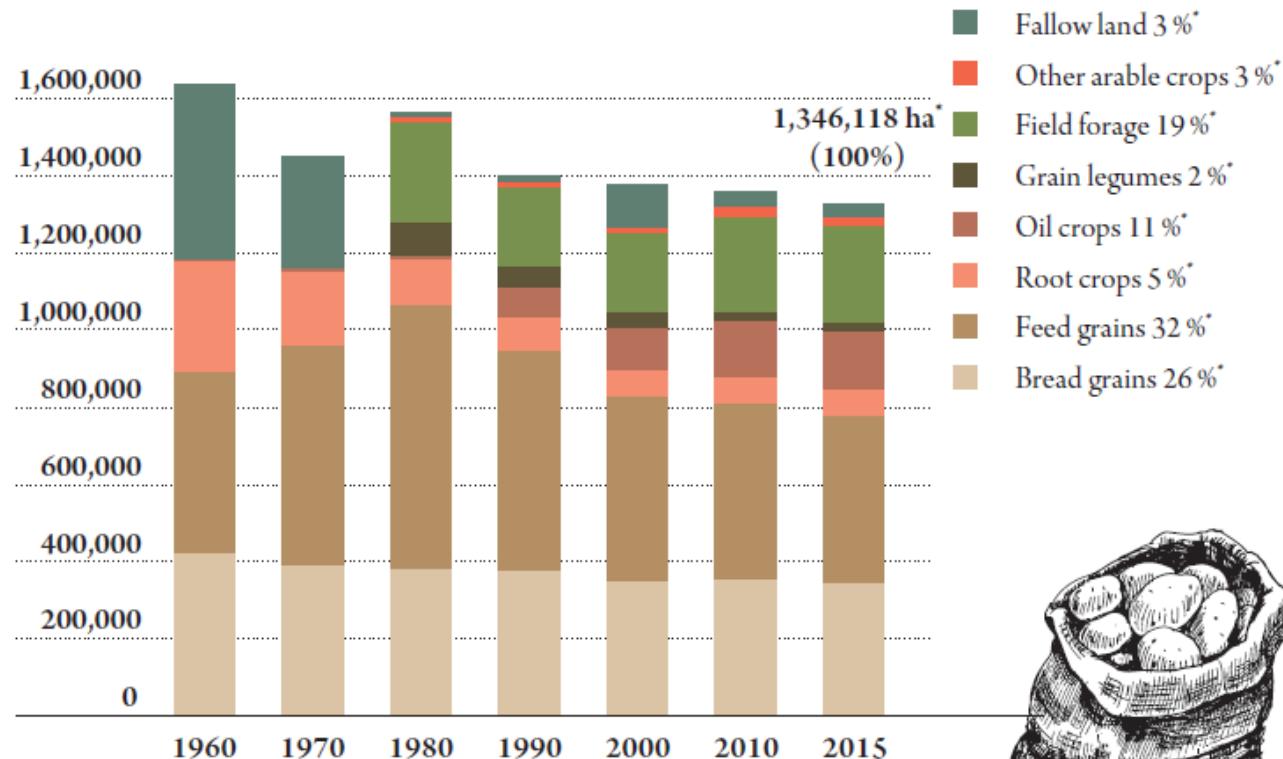
## ORGANIC FARMS IN AUSTRIA

Farms, total      ■ Organic farms, total  
in 1,000 hectares    ■ UAA<sup>1)</sup> under organic farming



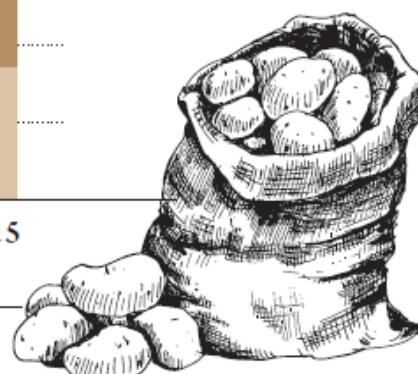
## CULTIVATION ON ARABLE LAND FROM 1960 TO 2015

in hectares



\* Figures 2015

Source: Statistics Austria 2016





## OUTPUT OF AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITY 2015<sup>1)</sup>

at producer prices

10.5 %  
Agricultural services &  
inseparable non-agricul-  
tural secondary activities

41.7% Crop production  
9.8% Cereals  
3.8% Oilseeds and industrial crops  
8.7% Products from vegetable  
growing and horticulture  
3.5% Fruit  
7.2% Wine  
8.6% Other plant products

Animal products 20.9%  
Milk 16.5%  
Eggs 3.5%  
Other animal products 0.9%

26.9% Animals  
12.6% Cattle and calves  
10.7% Pigs  
2.8% Poultry  
0.7% Other animals

1) as of July 2016

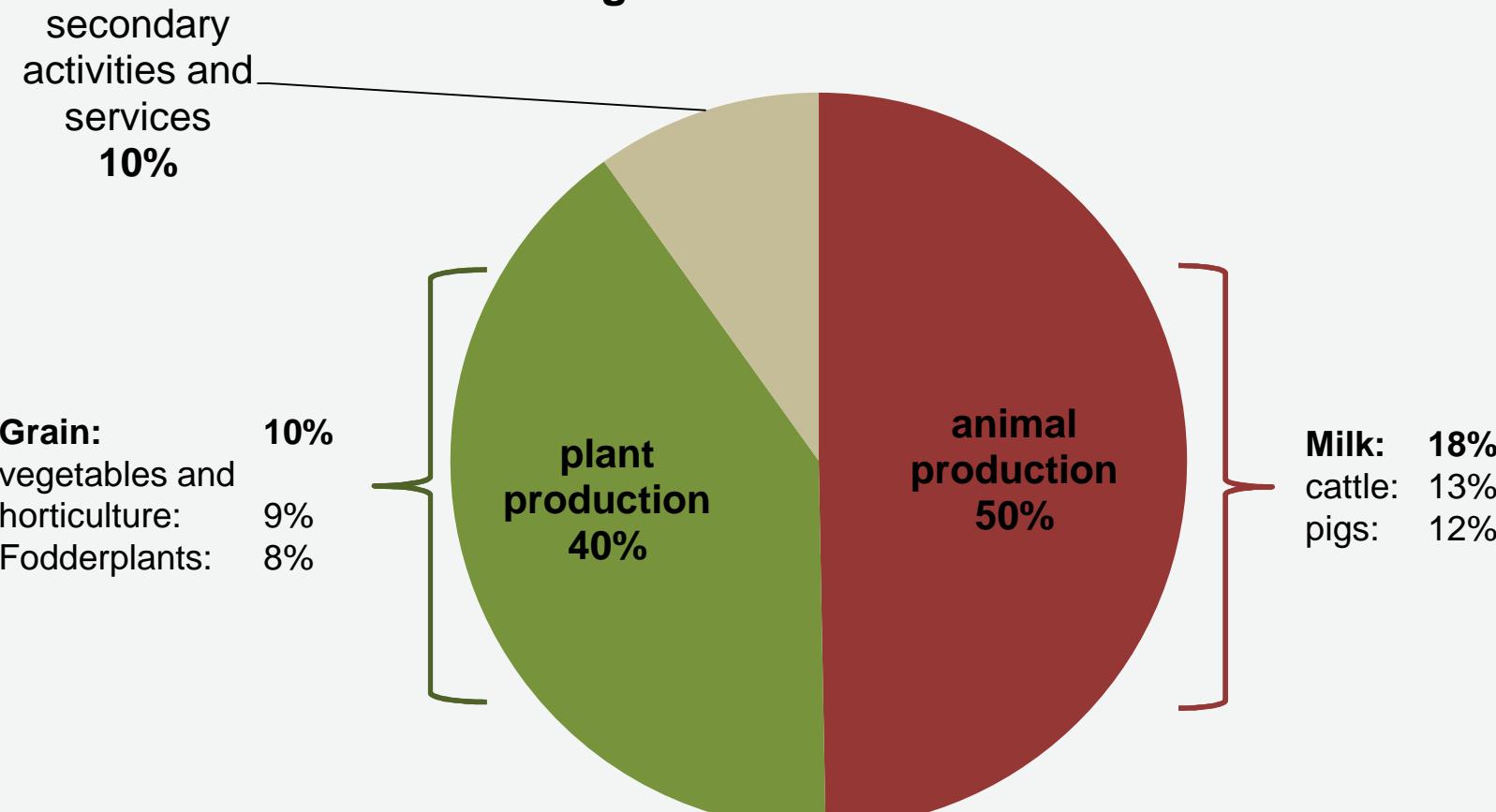
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# AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION VALUE 2014



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Agriculture ~ 7 billion €



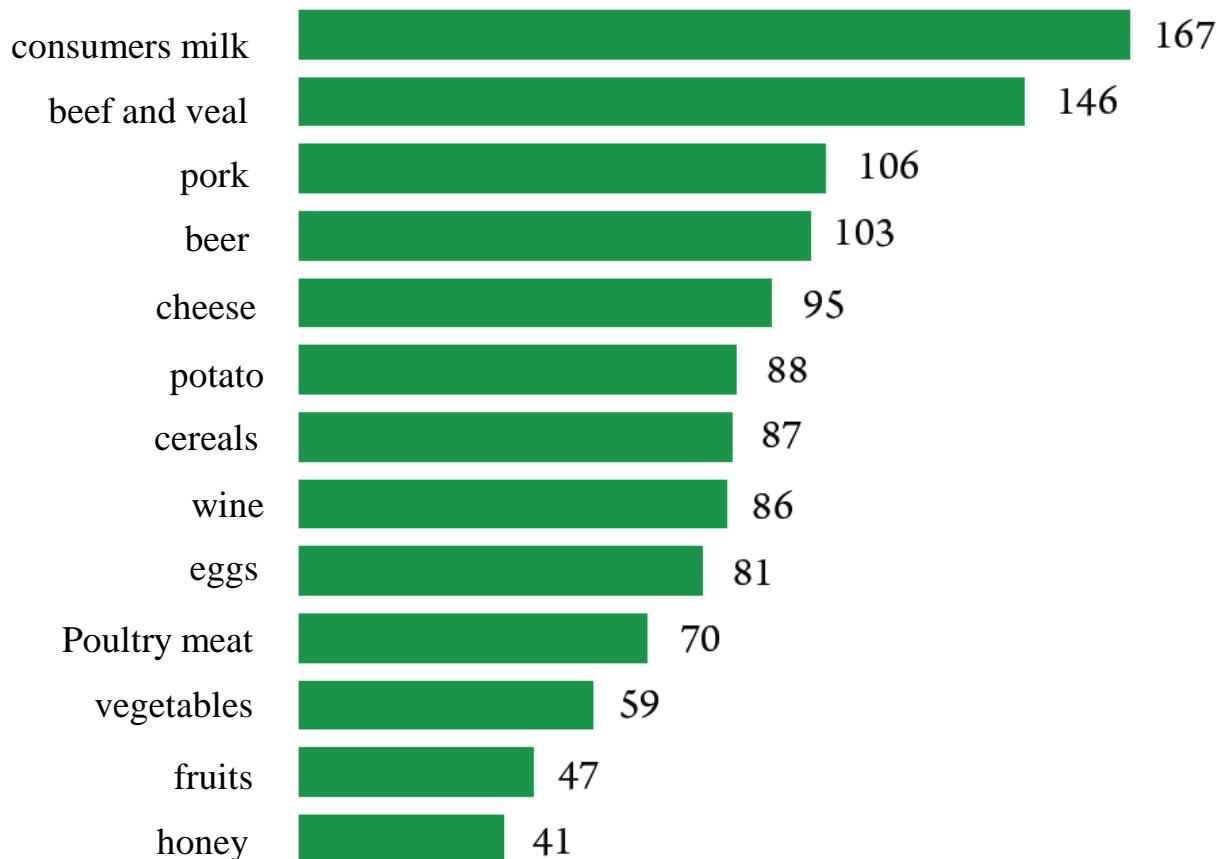
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➤ agricultural share in Gross Domestic Product: 1,4 %



# DEGREE OF SELF-SUFFICIENCY OF CHOSEN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 2014

In %

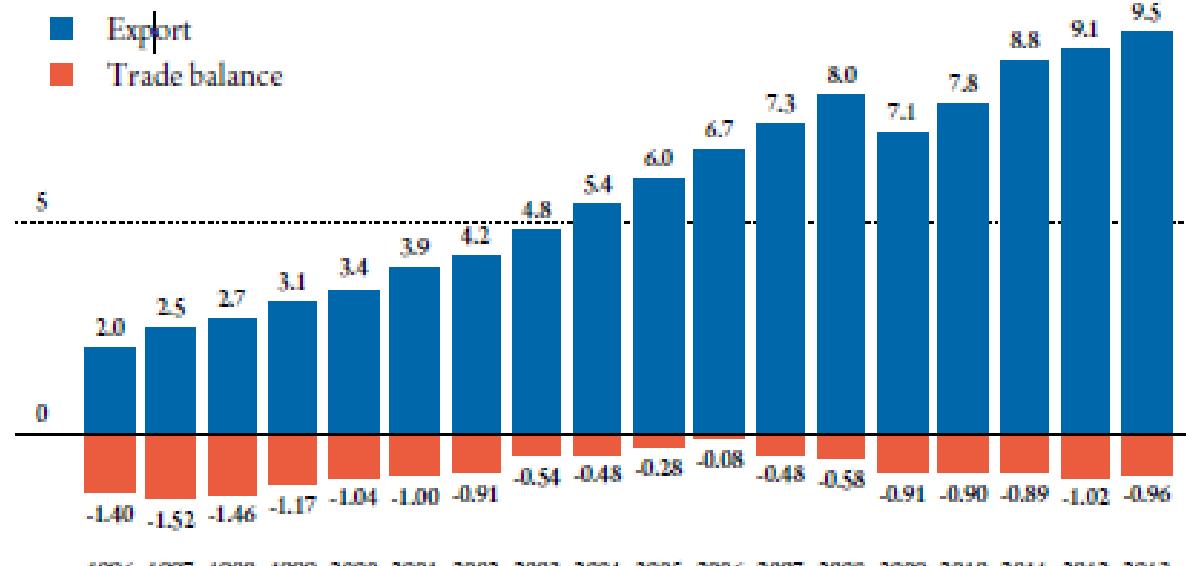


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## AUSTRIAN AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS 1996–2013

in billion euros (CN Chapters 1–24)





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# WATER QUALITY AND NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT IN AUSTRIA

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# FACTS AND FIGURES ON AUSTRIA (1)



## AUSTRIA

Population: 8.353.000 inhabitants

Area: 83.871 km<sup>2</sup>

Density: 100 inhabitants/km<sup>2</sup>

Capital Vienna (1,68 mio inhab.)



**Federal state with 9 provinces**

Surrounded by 8 countries

# FACTS AND FIGURES ON AUSTRIA (2)



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2/3 of Austria is mountainous (within dark lines)

Naturräume Österreichs

Karte 6

CORINE Landcover: Wälder, naturnahe Flächen, Ackerland  
Weinbau, Wiesen und Weiden; Berggebiete

CORINE Landcover  
Nomenklatur

|  |
|--|
| 211: Ackerland                           |
| 221: Weinbergsflächen                    |
| 231: Wiesen und Weiden                   |
| 242: Kultiviertes Paradieslebensraum     |
| 311: Laubwald                            |
| 312: Nadelwald                           |
| 313: Mischwald                           |
| 321: Naturnahes Grünland (Alpine Matten) |
| 322: Heile und Moornde (Latschen)        |
| 324: Wald- und Moornde (Gangarten)       |
| 332: Feis                                |
| 333: Flächen mit spärlicher Vegetation   |
| 335: Dornbusch                           |
| 341: Besonnte Flächen                    |
| Feuchtfächen                             |

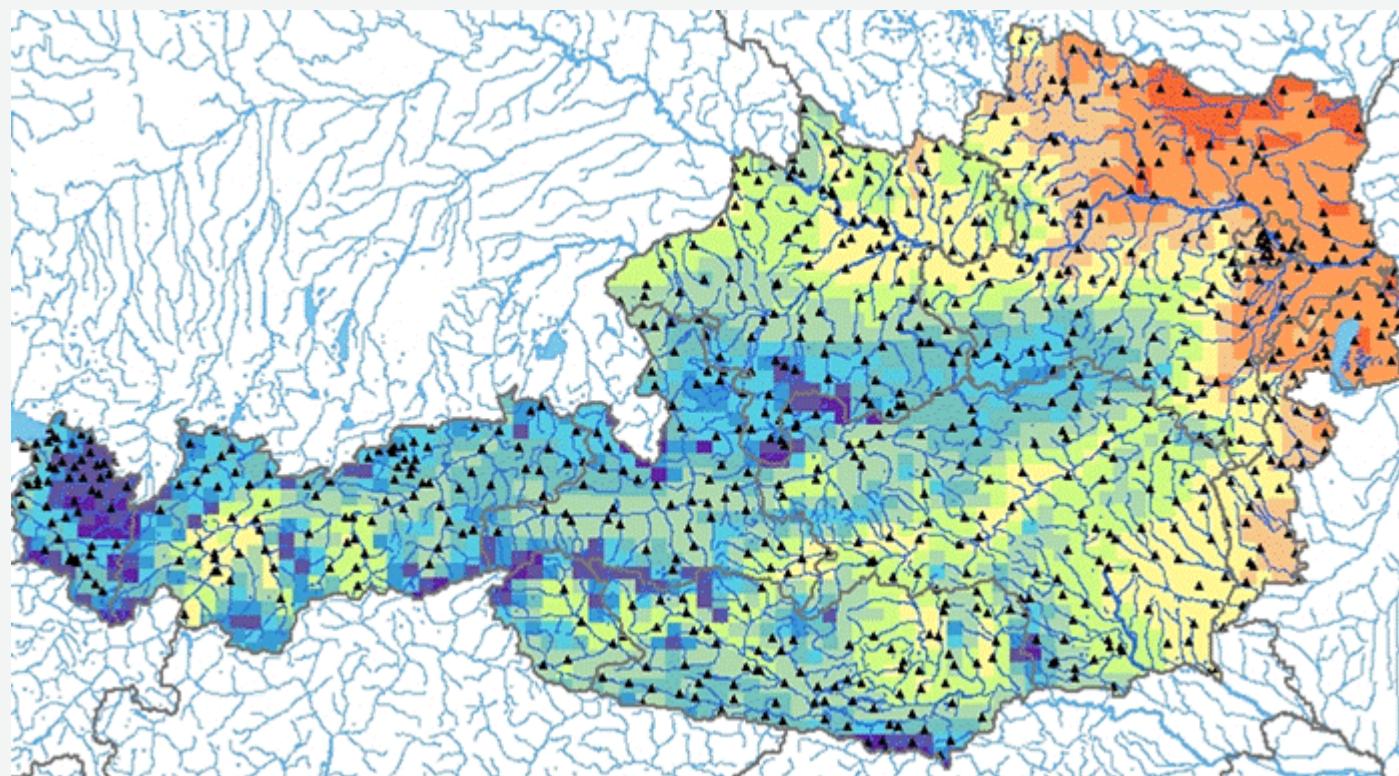
Seen über 1 km<sup>2</sup>

|                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1: Achensee           | 14: Millstätter See |
| 2: Altausseer See     | 15: Mondsee         |
| 3: Attersee           | 16: Neusiedler See  |
| 4: Bodensee           | 17: Mattsee         |
| 5: Faaker See         | 18: Ossiacher See   |
| 6: Fuschlsee          | 19: Ossiacher See   |
| 7: Gradalesee         | 20: Piansee         |
| 8: Grundlsee          | 21: Traunsee        |
| 9: Hallstätter See    | 22: Wallersee       |
| 10: Hintersteiner See | 23: Weissensee      |
| 11: Insee             | 24: Wolfgangsee     |
| 12: Keutschacher See  | 25: Wörther See     |
| 13: Klopeiner See     | 26: Zeller See      |



# FACTS AND FIGURES ON AUSTRIA (3)

- Mean precipitation: 1.100 mm (from <500 mm up to >3.000 mm)
- **<4% of available resources are used!** Mountainous country with abundance of water

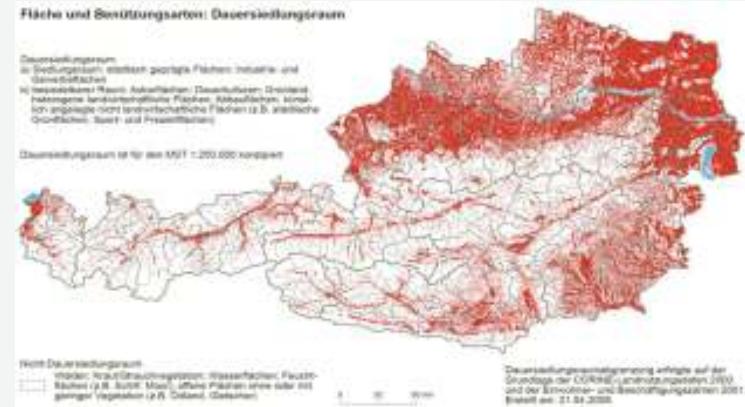


| Precipitation | < 500 | - 600 | - 700 | - 850 | - 1000 | - 1250 | - 1500 | - 1750 | - 2000 | - 2500 | - 3500 |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| mm/a          | < 500 | - 600 | - 700 | - 850 | - 1000 | - 1250 | - 1500 | - 1750 | - 2000 | - 2500 | - 3500 |

# DRAFT RBMP 2015

## Status

- About 2/3 of Austrian rivers are not in a good status in terms of **hydromorphological** conditions
  - Numerous drivers, but **flood protection** and **hydropower use** during the last centuries were decisive for not meeting GES/GEP
  - Only 37% of Austrian territory available for permanent settlement and development (2/3 alpine area) – **unique situation in EU**
  - Potential high precipitation (see last slide)
- 22% of Austrian rivers are not in a good status in terms of **organic and nutrient** pollution
  - about 5% of rivers at risk due to **point source** pollution (4% due to general physico-chemical parameter (nutrients))
  - Majority of the few affected rivers at risk mainly due to low flow in combination with **diffuse pollution** in regions dominated by arable land



# MEASURES - ACTION PROGRAM (NITRATES DIRECTIVE)



- Austria Member of EU since 1995
- First AP into force in 1999, current AP effective since 2012
- Austria applies its AP to whole territory:
  - Local groundwater protection in eastern parts of AT (areas with low precipitation, higher nitrate concentrations in groundwater)
  - Reduction of nutrient emissions to receiving seas (Black Sea, North Sea) originating mainly from western parts of AT (low concentrations, but considerable flows result in considerable loads)
    - ➔ Does **not mean** that the whole territory is nitrate vulnerable (small share)
    - ➔ Action program goes beyond minimum requirements of ND
- AP is **main legal instrument** for tackling diffuse nutrient pollution
- In addition measures are applied through protection areas (DW), **rural development program** or **regional (government) initiatives** tailored to regional situation/needs

# ACTION PROGRAM (2)



## Main provisions

- Closed periods (§2): liquid manure, min. fertilizer, digestate:
  - Arable land: 15<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 15<sup>th</sup> Feb. (start 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. if crop is cultivated until 15<sup>th</sup> Oct.)
  - Grassland: 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. – 28<sup>th</sup> Feb.
  - 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. – 15<sup>th</sup> Feb. for solid manure/dried sewage sludge on all agric. land
- Additional provisions for cultivation on areas with slopes >10% (§3)
- Prohibition of fertilisation on frozen/saturated/flooded/snow covered soils (§4)
- Minimum distances to surface waters for fertiliser application (§5):
  - Rivers/Lakes with adjacent slopes <10%: 5m\*/20m\*
  - Rivers/Lakes with adjacent slopes >10%: 10m\*/20m
  - \* distance can be reduced by half, if injection is applied or buffer strips are cultivated (to promote implementation of respective measures)
- Minimum storage capacity (§6): 6 months

# ACTION PROGRAM (3)

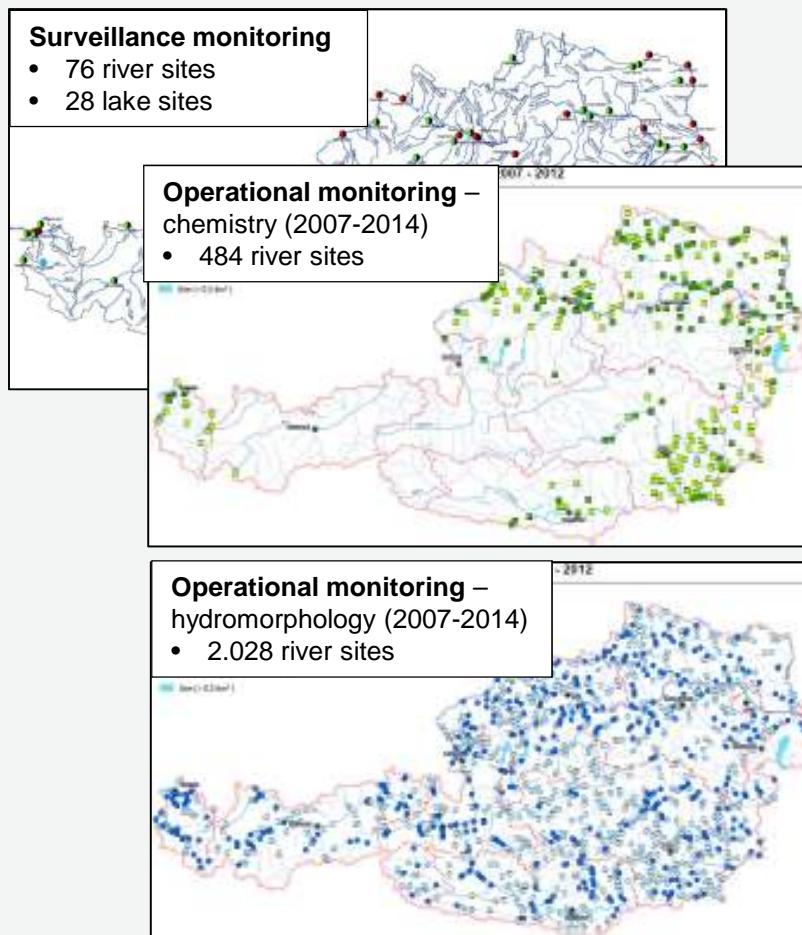
## Main provisions – cont.

- Fertiliser application (§7):
  - Limited to 60 kgN/ha
    - On arable land after harvest until beginning of closed period
    - On grassland between 1<sup>st</sup> October until beginning of closed period
  - Limited to 30 kgN/ha to enhance decomposition of straw → prohibited from 2017 for maize straw
- Documentation (farm level):
  - Areas under agricultural use and amount of fertiliser applied
  - Amount of Manure (N) produced based on own farm stocks / provided to other farms / was taken over from other farms
  - Crop needs (N)
- Manure application limited to 170 kgN/ha (§8)
- Crop-specific fertilisation limits dependent on crop yield (low/middle/high)

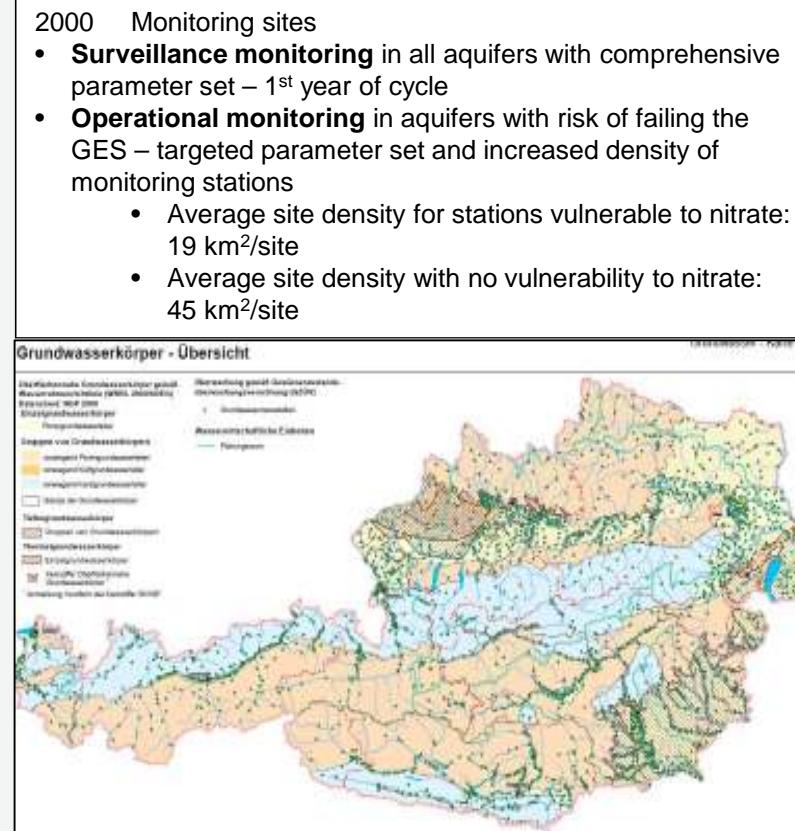
# NATIONAL MONITORING NETWORK

→ Multi-purpose use: spot impacts and follow effectiveness of measures under WFD and ND

## Quality: Surface waters



## Groundwater



# WATER QUALITY – NITRATES DIRECTIVE REPORT 2016

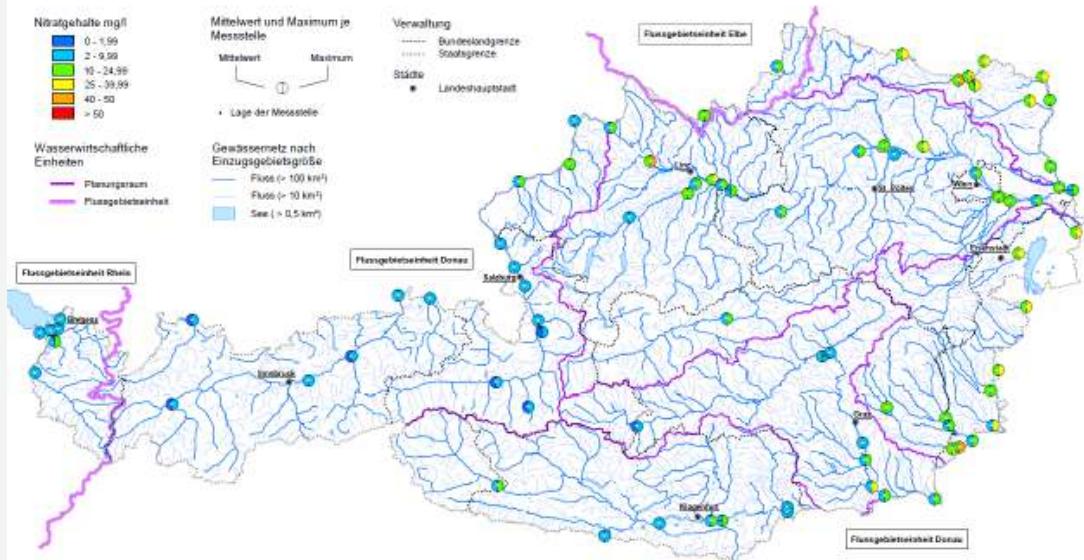


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EU Nitratrichtlinie 91/676/EWG - Österreichischer Bericht

## Nitrat in Fließgewässern

Mittelwert und Maximum für den Zeitraum 2011 - 2015

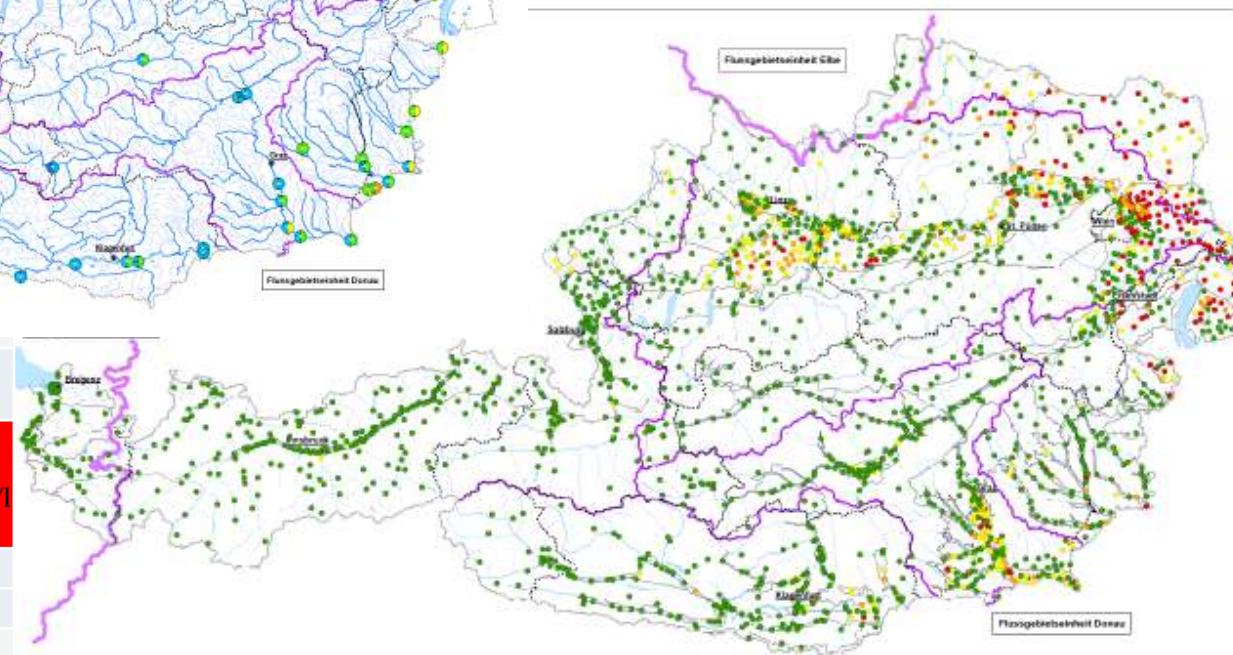


| Rivers  | Percentage stations with concentrations |                            |                            |                           |
|---------|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
|         | < 25 mg/l NO <sub>3</sub>               | 25-40 mg/l NO <sub>3</sub> | 40-50 mg/l NO <sub>3</sub> | > 50 mg/l NO <sub>3</sub> |
| Average | 100                                     | 0                          | 0                          | 0                         |
| Maximum | 77                                      | 19                         | 4                          | 0                         |

Percentage stations with concentrations

| Ground-water | < 25 mg/l NO <sub>3</sub> | 25-40 mg/l NO <sub>3</sub> | 40-50 mg/l NO <sub>3</sub> | > 50 mg/l NO <sub>3</sub> |
|--------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Average      | 76                        | 11                         | 5                          | 8                         |
| Maximum      | 65                        | 14                         | 7                          | 14                        |

Karte 4



# SUMMARY – MESSAGES - OUTLOOK



- In general excellent water quality in most parts of Austria → drinking water supply is met to 100% from groundwater and springs
- Groundwater and surface water is impacted by diffuse nutrient pollution in regions dominated by arable land use (eastern parts of Austria)
- Nitrate action program is the **basis** for measures tackling diffuse nutrient pollution from agriculture
  - Application of AP on the whole territory (different protection goals, no distortion of competitiveness within AT farmers)
  - Provisions address regional differences to a limited extent (e.g. closed periods)
- **in addition** measures are applied through protection areas (DW), **rural development program** as well as through **regional (government) initiatives** tailored to the regional situation (needs)
- Revision of AP was finished at technical level at the beginning of 2016



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# WATER PROTECTION IN THE AUSTRIAN RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2015-20

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# STRUCTURE OF CAP

## CAP 2015-20

### Common Market Organization Direct Payments

#### Common market

Intervention rules  
Export refunds  
Competition rules  
etc.

#### Direct payments

Basic payment scheme  
Greening payment  
Payment for young farmers  
Voluntary coupled support  
Small farmers scheme  
Cross Compliance  
Greening

100% EU-financed

European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF)

### Rural Development 2014-20

#### **6 thematic priorities (= targets)**

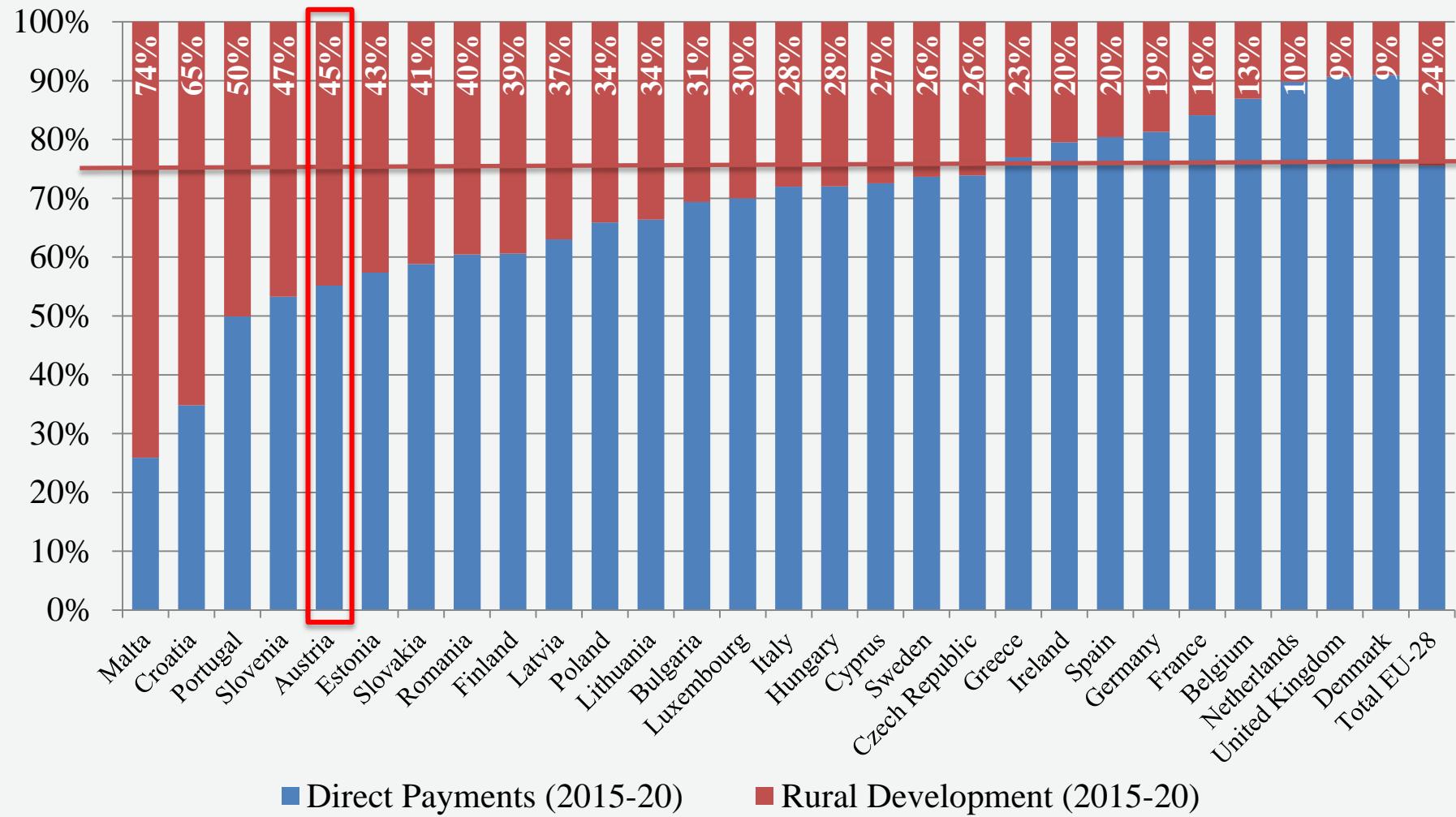
knowledge transfer and innovation, competitiveness, food chain organisation, ecosystems, resource efficiency, economic development in rural areas

#### Implementation of the priorities via measures

Financed by EU-funds and AT-funds

European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

# SHARE OF RURAL-DEVELOPMENT-PAYMENTS ON EU-BUDGET



Source: European Commission (23.11.2015) [http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/cap-funding/budget/mff-2014-2020/mff-figures-and-cap\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/cap-funding/budget/mff-2014-2020/mff-figures-and-cap_en.pdf)

# WATER PROTECTION IN CAP I

## Cross-Compliance (Title VI Chapter I of EU-Regulation Nr. 1306/2013)

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| SMR 1: Nitrate-Directive   | <b>Application of fertilizers, minimum storage capacity, documentation, max. 170kg/ha livestock manure</b>                              |
| GAEC 1: Pufferstrips       | <b>No tillage</b> 10m to stagnant waters, 5m to streaming waters,<br><b>Maintain grassland</b> 20m to stagnant, 10m to streaming waters |
| GAEC 2: Irrigation         | <b>Approval of withdrawal of water</b> beyond common use  |
| GAEC 3: Groundwater        | No disposal of <b>harmful substances</b>  |
| GAEC 4: Minimum soil cover | <b>Greening</b> of not cultivated arable land and permanent crops   |
| GAEC 5: Erosion-limitation | <b>Limitation of tillage</b> of frozen and water saturated soils  |
| SMR 10: Plant protection   | Usage of <b>plant protection products</b>   |

## Greening (Article 43 of EU-Regulation Nr. 1307/2013)

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Maintainance of grassland | <b>Maintainance of grassland on national level protection of environmentally valuable grasslands</b> |
| Crop diversification      | Max. <b>share of crops</b> (e. g. max. 75% of one crop)  |
| Ecological focus areas    | Min. <b>5% ecological focus areas</b> on arable land   |

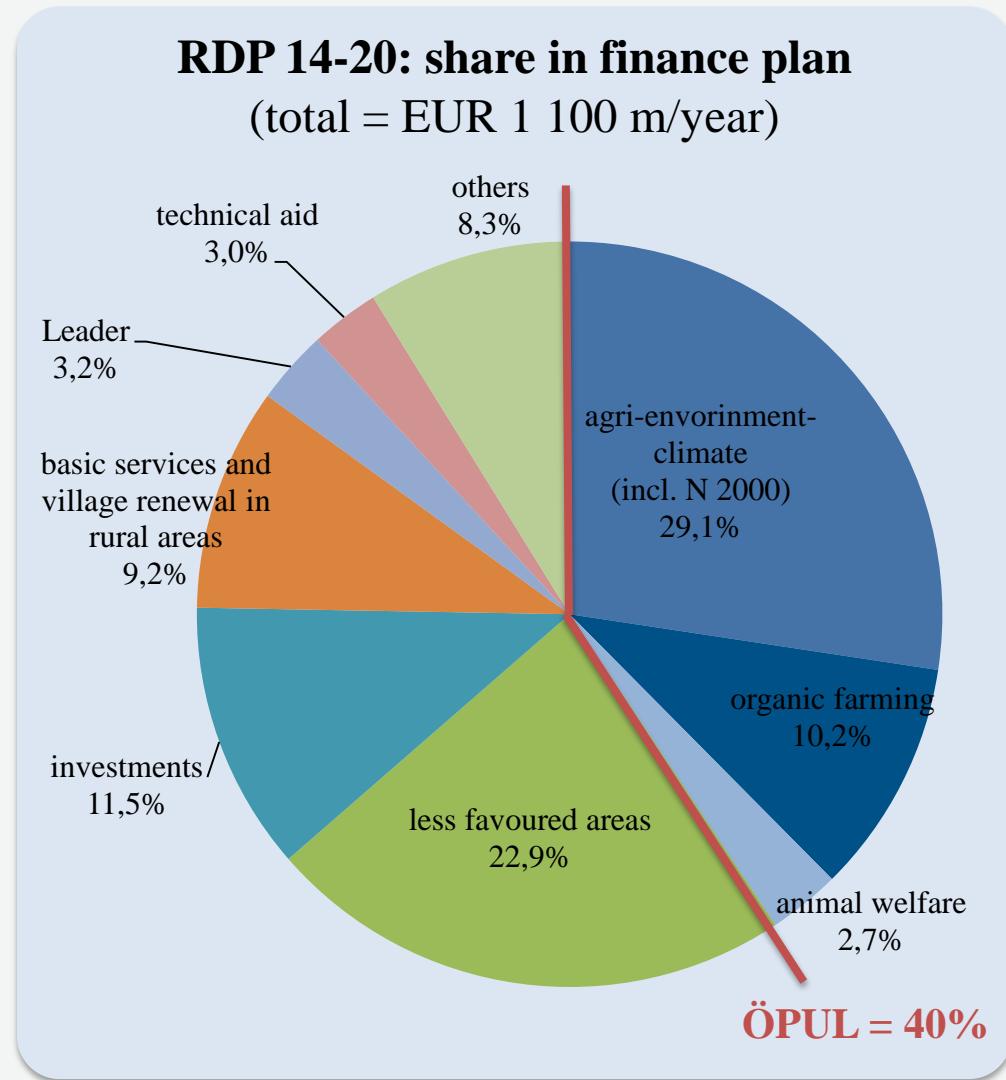
# WATER PROTECTION IN CAP II

## Area-related measures

- Agri-environment
- Organic farming
- Less favoured areas

## Project-related measures

- Productive investments (e. g. slurry-storage)
- Non productive investments (water courses, landslide protection, ecological infrastructure)
- Advice, Education and training
- Plans and concepts, evaluation



# AGRI-ENVIRONMENT-PROGRAMME

## ÖPUL 2015 (AECM, ORGANIC FARMING, ANIMAL WELFARE, NATURA 2000)

- **Legal framework**
  - Measures aim to **preserve and promote agricultural practices** that make a **positive contribution to environment and climate** (biodiversity, water-quality, soil-protection, climate protection and adaptation)
  - **Commitments shall be undertaken for a period of five to seven years**
  - payments cover only those **commitments going beyond the relevant mandatory standards** – no double funding!
  - Payments are granted annually and compensate beneficiaries for **additional costs and income foregone** resulting from the commitments made
- **Strategy in Austria**
  - **continuing and target-orientated evolution** of the existing program, keep high participation rates and a broad land-coverage
  - **prevention of environmental risks** through broad, preventive measures, **improve the environment situation** in regions with poor conditions
  - **clear requirements** for application, implementation and controls

# TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

Intensification



Abandonment



agriculturally used land gets scarce and potential high yield land is intensified



low-productive areas are at risk of abandonment of agricultural usage

# ÖPUL 2015 - MEASURES

| Art. 28<br>Agri Environment Climate Measure                    |   |   |   |  | Art. 29<br>Organic Farming  | Art. 33<br>Animal welfare | Art. 30<br>Natura 2000                |
|--|---|---|---|--|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| General  | Arable land                                 |   | Grassland                               | Permanent Crops                            |   |                           |                                       |
| Environmentally friendly and biodiversity promoting management | Greening of arable land/ intermediate crops | Preventative groundwater protection (regional)                  | Mountain grazing and herding            | Renouncement of silage                     | Erosion protection in vineyards, fruits and hops  | Organic Farming           | Animal welfare - Grazing of livestock |
| Nature conservation *  | Greening of arable land/ system "Evergreen" | Preventative surface water protection on arable land (regional) | Cultivation of mowed mountain grassland | Maintenance of endangered livestock breeds | Pesticide renouncement in vineyards and hops  |                           | Animal welfare - stable               |
| Surface-near spreading of liquid farm manure                   | Direct seeding and seeding on mulch         | Management of arable areas particularly threatened by leaching  |   |  | Use of beneficial organisms in greenhouses  |                           |                                       |
| Limitation of yield increasing inputs *                        | Cultivation of rare agricultural plants     | Renouncement of fungicides and growth regulators *              |   |  | * Mandatory combination with measures "Environmentally friendly and biodiversity promoting management"<br>** Mandatory combination with measure "Environmentally friendly and biodiversity promoting management" or "Organic Farming" |                           |                                       |

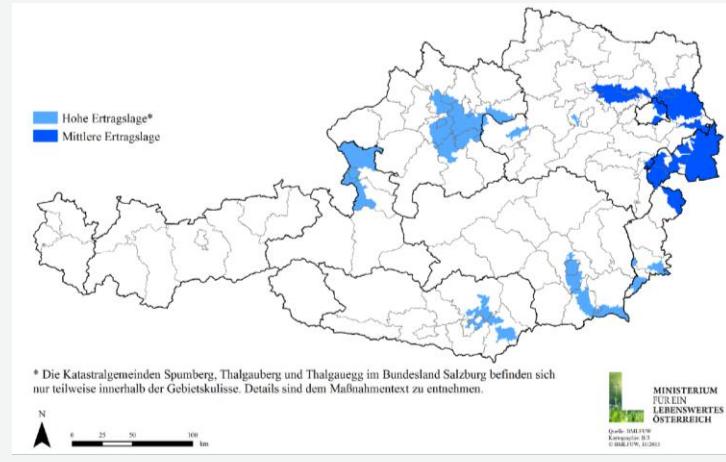
# BROAD AECM-MEASURES

- **Organic farming** → ~ 230 €/ha
  - Renouncement of nitrogen fertilizers and pesticides
  - Maintenance of landscape elements and grassland
- **Greening of arable land - intermediate crops** → 120-200 €/ha catch crop
  - >10% of arable land with intermediate crops
  - Green cover between main crops (e. g. 31.07. – 15.10, 31.08. – 15.02.)
  - No mineral-fertilizers/pesticides, mixture of crops
- **Greening of arable land - „System evergreen“** → 80 €/ha arable land
  - Min. 85% with whole-year green-cover (ext. sowing, max. 50d)
  - No mineral-fertilizers/pesticides, documentation
- **Erosion protection of vineyards, fruits** → 100 – 800 €/ha
  - Whole year greening of machine tracks between cultures
  - vineyards <25% gradient at minimum from 1.11. to 30.04.
- **Direct seeding and seeding on mulch** → 60 €/ha crops with erosion risk
- **Env. friendly and biodiversity promoting management** → 45 €/ha
  - Min. 5% biodiversity areas on arable land, landscape elements and grassland

# FOCUSSED AECM-MEASURES

- **Preventive groundwater protection → 100 €/ha**

- Arable land
  - Reduced N-fertilization
  - Shortened periods for fertilization
  - Education, documentation
- Grassland
  - Renouncement of grassland-conversation
  - Reduced N-fertilization
  - Education, documentation

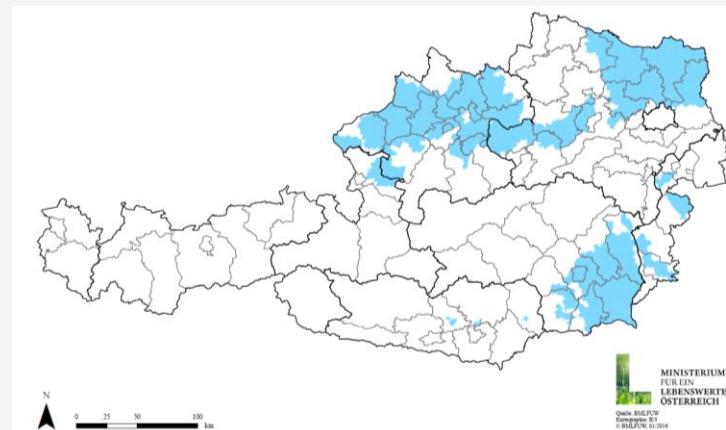


- **Management of arable areas particularly threatened by leaching → 450 €/ha**

- Establish a permanent green-cover on areas threatened by leaching
- No fertilizers, no pesticides, no pasture

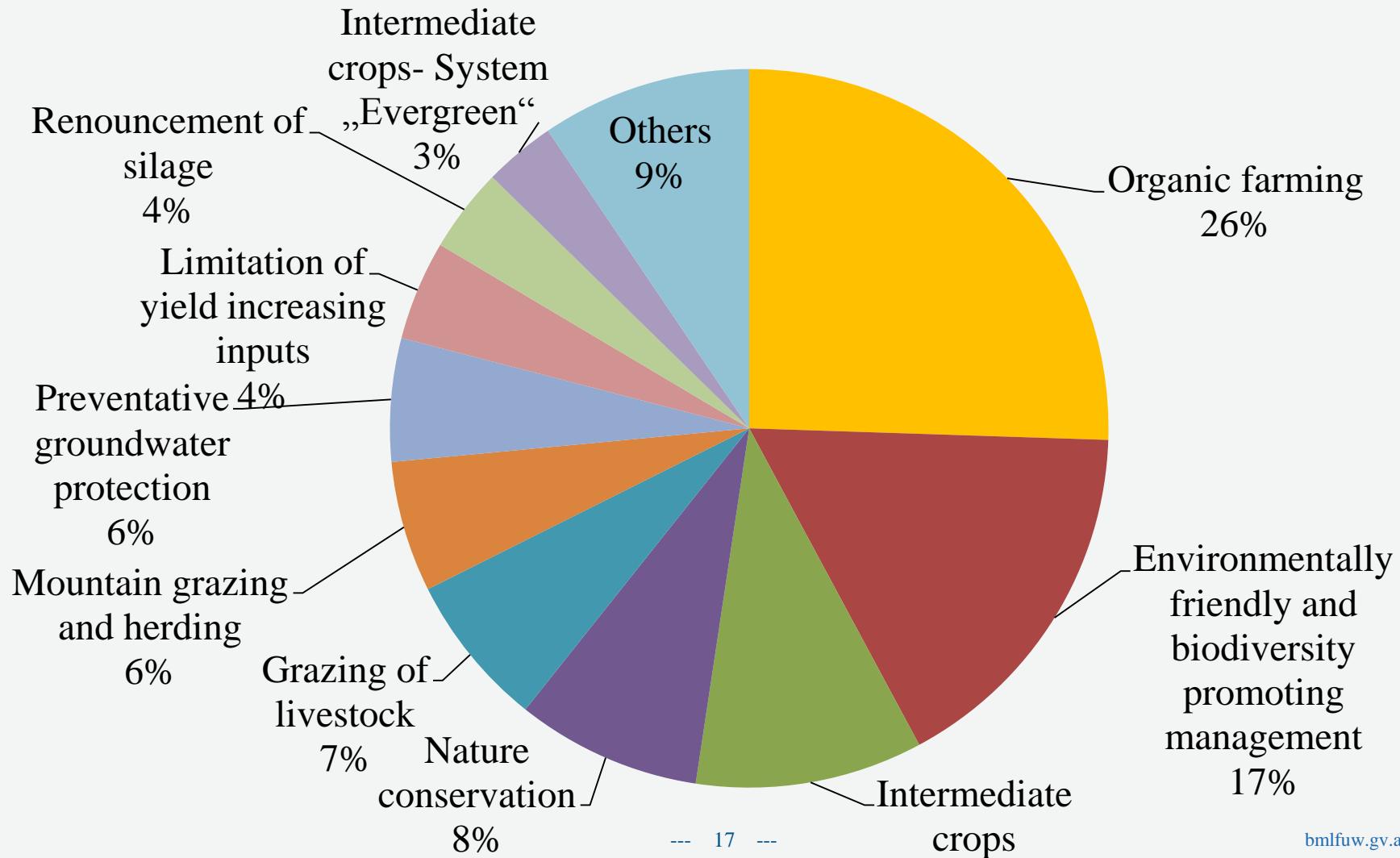
- **Preventative surface water protection on arable land → 450 €/ha**

- Establish a permanent buffer strip next to flowing waters (min. 12m)
- No fertilizers, no pesticides, no pasture

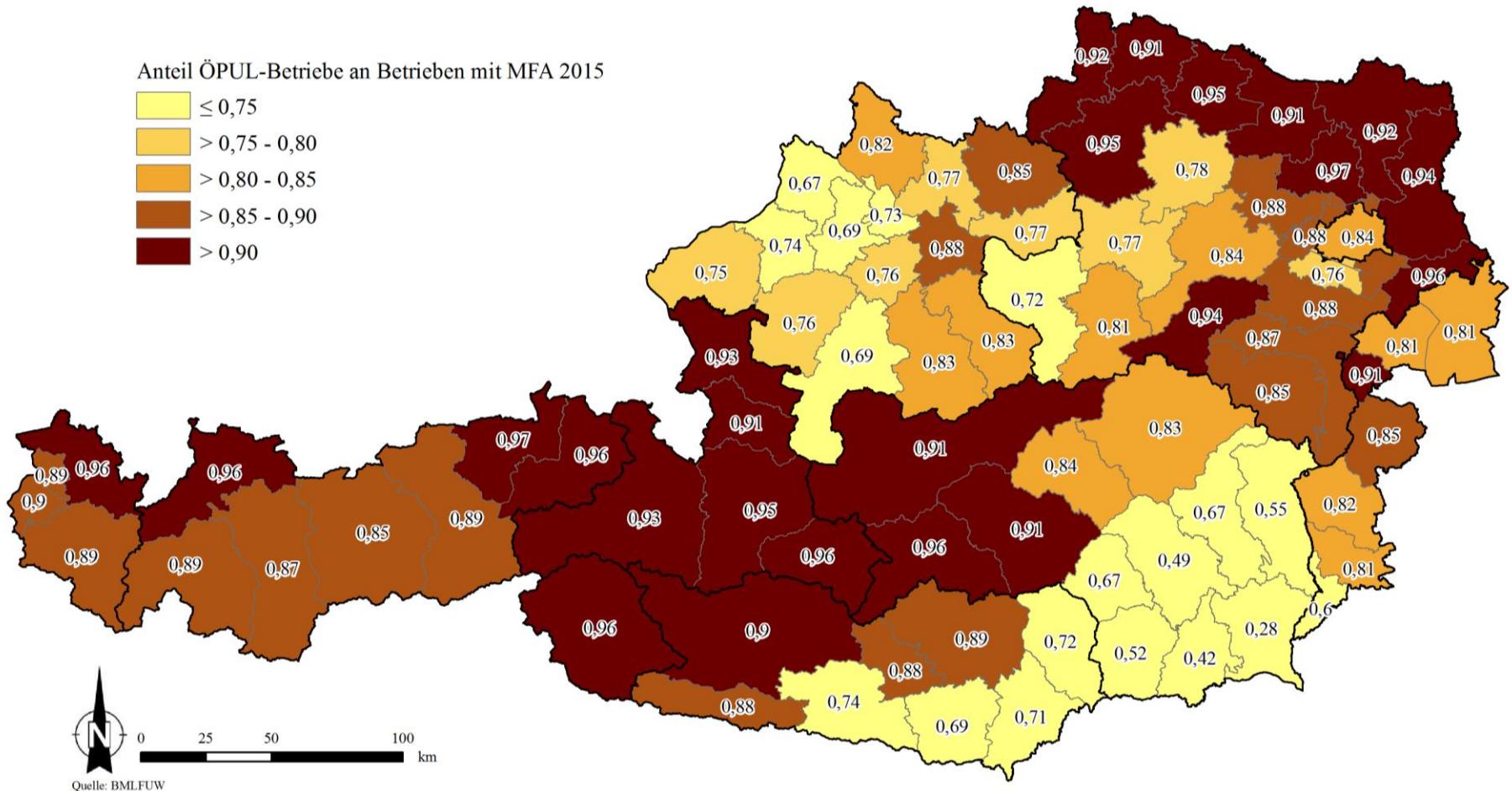


# SHARE OF MEASURES ON ÖPUL 2015

Payments total 382,7 Mio. Euro, ~4.200 Euro/farm, ~187 Euro/ha UAA



# SHARE OF FARMS IN AECM-MEASURES



# CONCLUSION AND OUTLOOK

- ÖPUL 2015 plays with a **participation rate over 80% of farms/area** an main role in preserve and promote agricultural practices that make a positive contribution to environment and climate
- **Broad measures** contribute to a broad environment effect all over Austria (e. g. organic farming, intermediate crops), **specific and focussed measures** for regions with environmental challenges are especially focussed on water protection and biodiversity
- **Higher legal requirements** and higher requirements in CAP I lower the possibilities for payments in CAP II
- participation rates in high productive areas are lower than in other regions
  - challenge to include intensive farms and to minimize windfall gains**
- **Education trainings, awareness rising and specific project-measures** are important factors for a successful implementation, also to the implementation to new legal requirements



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# CROSS COMPLIANCE

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# STRUCTURE

- 1. ADMINISTRATION**
- 2. CROSS COMPLIANCE**

## INSTITUTIONS

**Federal Ministry of Agriculture,  
Forestry, Environment and  
Water Management  
(BMELFNUW)**

**Agrarmarkt Austria  
(AMA)**

**Federal Provinces  
(''Bundesländer'')**

**Chambers of Agriculture**

## TASKS

### BMLFUW

- Legislative tasks
- Decisions of principle
- Representation at EU institutions
- Financing (Federal Budget)
- Supervisory

### AMA

- Implementing authority for CMOs and rural development
- Price and market reporting
- Sales promotion

### Federal Provinces

- Financing by the Federal Provinces (60/40 rule)
- Fundamental decisions
- Legislative tasks

### Chambers of Agriculture

- Extension service
- Farmers
- Agricultural administration
- Participation in implementation of direct payments

# ADMINISTRATION



## Paying agency:

- Agrarmarkt Austria (AMA)

## Control agencies:

- Agrarmarkt Austria (AMA)
- Federal Provinces (9)

## Evaluation agencies:

- Agrarmarkt Austria (AMA)
- Federal Provinces (9)



## CROSS COMPLIANCE - TASKS OF THE INSTITUTIONS II

The **Federal Provinces** control the following fields:

- **Food and Feed Safety** (Regulation 178/2002) (except for plant protection and biocides)
- **Animal welfare** (pigs, calves, farm animals)
- **Hormones Directive**
- **TSE Regulation** (Regulation 999/01; except for intra-Community trade in animals)
- **Notification of animal diseases** (only in the case of suspicion and outbreak)



## CROSS COMPLIANCE - TASKS OF THE INSTITUTIONS III

AMA controls presently the following fields:

- **GAEC** – Good agricultural and ecological condition;
- **Nitrates Directive , Birds Directive, Habitats Directive,**
- **Cattle, pig, sheep and goat identification**
- **Food and feed safety** (Plant protection and biocides DOCUMENTATION Plant Protection Products/Biocides)

# LIST OF STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS I



| Statutory Management Requirements |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>SMR 1</b>                      | Protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates  |
| <b>SMR 2</b>                      | Conservation of wild birds (Birds Directive)   |
| <b>SMR 3</b>                      | Conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (Habitats Directive)                    |
| <b>SMR 4</b>                      | Principles and requirements of food law and food safety  |
| <b>SMR 5</b>                      | Prohibition on the use in stockfarming of certain substances having a hormonal or thyrostatic action |
| <b>SMR 6</b>                      | Identification and registration of pigs  |

# LIST OF STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS II



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| Statutory Management Requirements |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>SMR 7</b>                      | Identification and registration of bovine animals  |
| <b>SMR 8</b>                      | Identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals                                   |
| <b>SMR 9</b>                      | Prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSE) |
| <b>SMR 10</b>                     | Placing of plant protection products on the market   |
| <b>SMR 11</b>                     | Minimum standards for the protection of calves   |
| <b>SMR 12</b>                     | Minimum standards for the protection of pigs   |
| <b>SMR 13</b>                     | Minimum standards for animals kept for farming purposes  |

# LIST OF GAEC STANDARDS



| Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition |  |
|---|--|
| <b>GAEC 1</b>                                 | Establishment of buffer strips along water courses<br>(Directive 91/676/EEC)                           |
| <b>GAEC 2</b>                                 | Where use of water for irrigation is subject to authorisation, compliance with authorisation procedure |
| <b>GAEC 3</b>                                 | Protection of ground water (Directive 80/68/EEC)   |
| <b>GAEC 4</b>                                 | Minimum soil cover   |
| <b>GAEC 5</b>                                 | Minimum land management  |
| <b>GAEC 6</b>                                 | Maintenance of soil organic matter level   |
| <b>GAEC 7</b>                                 | Landscape, minimum level of maintenance  |

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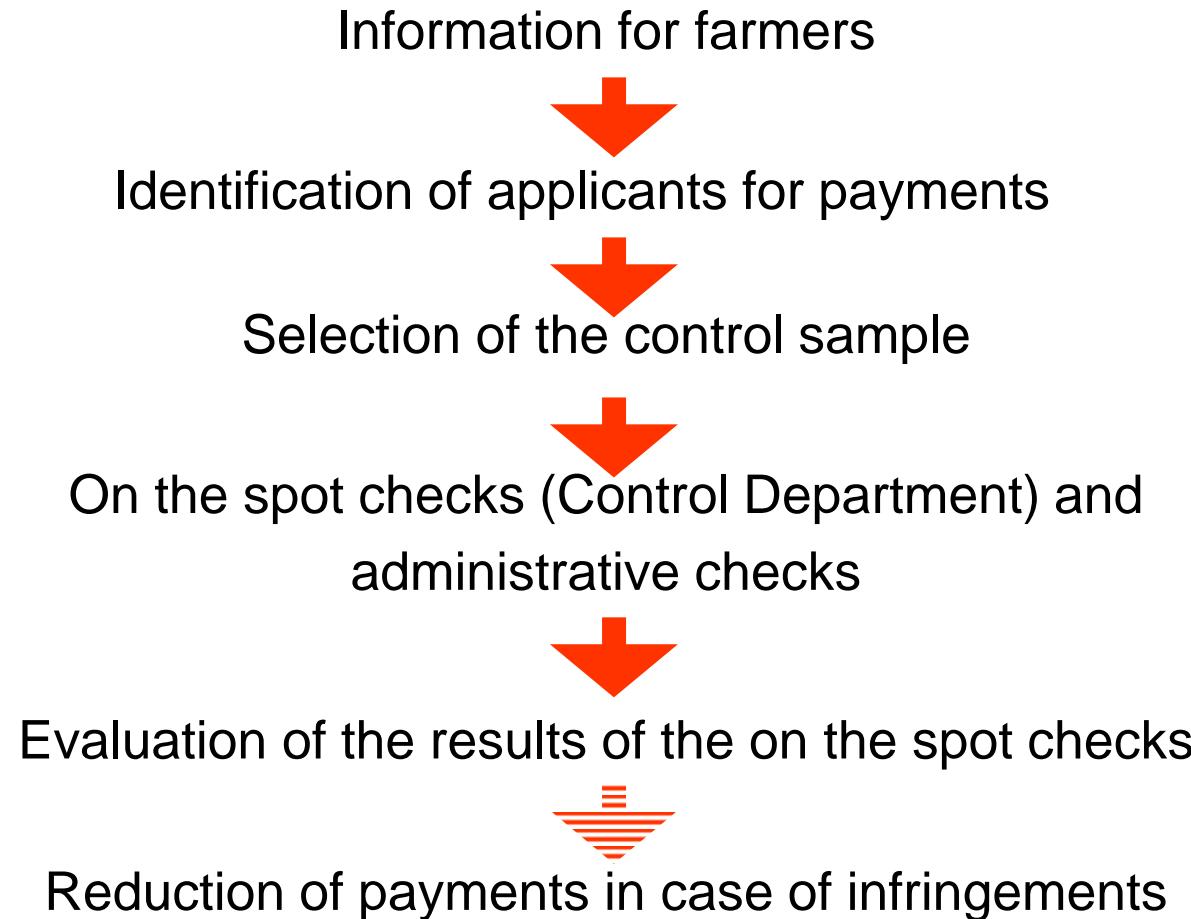
## Cross Compliance (CC) Nitrate



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# CC Control-System



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- Specification of the content of the controls
- Content of the leaflet
- Definition of the control report
- Writing of the control handbook for the inspectors
- Coach the inspectors
- Evaluation of the different non-compliances

## Control sample Nitrate 2015

About 1600 farmers selected  
100 of them in areas with risk of high pollution

| <b>requirement:</b>                                 | <b>Number of infringement</b> |
|---|-------------------------------|
| • Manure application                                | .....23                       |
| • Crop-specific fertilisation limits                | .....14                       |
| • Storage for manure                                | .....91                       |
| • Rules for temporary manure heaps                  | .....77                       |
| • Periods of prohibition                            | .....3                        |
| • Prohibition concerning specific ground conditions | .....2                        |
| • Rules for spreading on steeply sloping ground     | .....0                        |
| • Rules for spreading near water courses            | .....3                        |

## administrative check

**administrative check** for the requirement “Manure application:  
Limit of 170 kg N / hectare “

**Database:** area aid application of the previous year and database  
of bovine

- Calculation of the whole agriculturally used area
- Calculation of the Sum of N-content with deep straw
- Information letter to the farmers (provisional result)
- Feedback from the farmers (contract “transfer of manure”,...)
- recalculation Limit of 170 kg N / hectare
- Reduction of payments in case of infringements

## administrative check

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**Results of the administrative check 2014: "Limit of 170 kg N / hectare "**

- Main unit: 102.000 claimants
- 574 Farmers received an information letter  
(provisional result > 170 kg N / hectare)
- Number of infringements after Feedback: 174

## Control Department

### Duties of an inspector:

- Investigate facts only
- Explain report, processing and findings
- Give no information about consequences
- No consulting
- Never turn a blind eye on something!

## **EU Legislation:**

Directive 91/676/EWG

## **Austrian Legislation:**

Nitrataktionsprogramm 2012

- no vulnerable zones designated
- applicable to the entire Austrian territory

## **Requirements:**

9 requirements defined for the on-the-spot checks (9 since 1.4.2016, prior to that date 8 requirements)

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## 1. Requirement:

Manure application: Limit of 170 kg N / hectare

## 2. Requirement:

Crop-specific fertilisation limits  
dependent on crop yield (low/middle/high)

## 3. Requirement:

Storage for manure

- Sufficient storage
- for new storage a tightness certificate (constructed > 31.12.2004 or rebuilded > 5.12.2012)

## 4. Requirement:

Rules for temporary manure heaps

- the distance to surface waters > 25 m
- no entry of manure effluent into waters
- not on water-saturated or sandy soil
- for at least 3 months matured
- relocation after 8 or 12 month
- no temporary manure heaps of laying hen

## 5. Requirement:

### Periods of prohibition

| overview periods of prohibition |   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| period                          | type of fertilizer  | affected area   |
| 15. October - 15.<br>February   | chemical fertilizer,<br>slurry, liquid manure, sewage<br>sludge       | whole agriculturally used area<br>without permanent pasture |
| 30. November - 28.<br>February  |   | permanent pasture   |
| 30. November - 15.<br>February  | manure, compost, dewatered<br>sewage sludge, sewage sludge<br>compost | whole agriculturally used area                              |

## 6. Requirement:

Prohibition concerning specific ground conditions

There is a prohibition to spreading

- water-saturated
- frozen
- flooded
- snow-covered ground

## 7. Requirement:

Rules for spreading on steeply sloping ground

### Cultivation with maize, potato and/or sugar beet

- slope >10 % within de range of 20 meters to water courses
- parcel > 1 ha (within the alpine area)
- horizontal stripe seed
- a 20 m planted swath between watercourse and arable land
- cultivation across the slope
- planted during the winter

## 8. Requirement:

Rules for spreading near water courses

|                        | <b>slope</b> | <b>minimum distance</b> |                                   |                               |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                        |              | rule                    | All-season<br>Overgrown<br>stripe | Direkt injecting<br>equipment |
| <b>standing water</b>  | <= 10 %      | 20 m                    | 10 m                              | 10 m                          |
|                        | > 10 %       | 20 m                    | 20 m                              | 20 m                          |
| <b>Streaming water</b> | <= 10 %      | 5 m                     | 2,5 m                             | 2,5 m                         |
|                        | > 10 %       | 10 m                    | 5 m                               | 5 m                           |

## 9. Requirement:

Dokumentation of the application of fertilizer (farm level)

- depending on agricultural area
- record the information of the previous year:
  - Areas under agricultural use and amount of fertilizer applied
  - Amount of Manure (N) produced based on own farm stocks
  - transfer of manure
  - Crop needs (N)

## 1. Requirement:

Control 170 kg N-limit/ha from manure

### 1. Calculation of the whole agriculturally used area

Example:

- A farmer has an extent of areas in sum of 11,46 ha
- 1 Grassland, 4 uses, less than 40 % legume: 6,64 ha
  - 2 Grassland, 4 uses, 40-80 % legume: 0,54 ha
  - 3 Maize for silage fodder (FM): 4,28 ha

## 2. Calculation of the N-content of all animals on the farm

Example: A famer has

| Animal species            | no | System with deep straw – N-content, annex 4 of NAP | Sum of N-content with system with deep straw | System with slurry – N-content, annex 4 of NAP | Sum of N-content with system slurry |
|---------------------------|----|--|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Calves – 6 month          | 4  | 10,4   | 41,6 kg N                                    |  |                                     |
| Cattles (6-12 month)      | 11 | 28,4   | 312,4 kg N                                   |  |                                     |
| Cattles (12-24 month)     | 7  | 37,5   | 262,5 kg N                                   |  |                                     |
| Cattles (12-24 month)     | 8  |  |  | 45,6   | 364,8 kg N                          |
| Heifers (>24 month)       | 2  |  |  | 58,9   | 117,8 kg N                          |
| Dairy cows (5000 kg milk) | 17 |  |  | 74,4   | 1264,8 kg N                         |
| <b>Sum 1</b>              |    |  | <b>616,5 kg N</b>                            |  | <b>1747,4 kg N</b>                  |

### 3. Assessment of the transfer of manure

Example: There exist a contract that the famers sell 450kgN slurry of cattles:

| Animal species            | no | Sum of N-content with system with deep straw | Sum of N-content with system slurry |
|---------------------------|----|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Sum 1</b>              |    | 616,5 kg N                                   | 1747,4 kg N                         |
| <b>Transfer of manure</b> |    | ---  | - 450 kg N                          |
| <b>Sum 2</b>              |    | <b>616,5 kg N</b>                            | <b>1297,40 kg N</b>                 |

### 4. Calculation of the compliance with the 170-kg limit

**Sum 3:** 616,5 kg N + 1297,40 kg N = 1913,90 kg N

$1913,90 \text{ kg N} / 11,46 \text{ ha} = 167,007 \text{ kg N / ha} \rightarrow < 170 \text{ kg N-limit from manure}$

→ therefore he is in compliance with the nitrate action programme

## 2. Requirement:

Crop-specific fertilisation limits dependent on crop yield

## 5. Calculation with the factors for loss during application

| Animal species   | no | Sum of N-content with system with deep straw | Sum of N-content with system slurry |
|--|----|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Sum 2</b>   |    | 616,5 kg N                                   | 1297,40 kg N                        |
| <b>Loss for application: 13 % for slurry and 9 % for deep straw bedding manure</b> |    | Minus 9 %                                    | Minus 13 %                          |
| <b>Sum 4</b>   |    | 561,02 kg N                                  | 1128,74 kg N                        |

## 6. Calculation of fertilizer used

If the farmer uses fertilizers than this can be controlled with invoices or documentations about every parcel he handles.

Example:

| Name of fertilizer | Amount in kg | % of N-content | Used kg N  |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|
| Linzer Star        | 2250         | 15 %           | 337,5 kg N |

## 7 Calculation considering effectiveness

| <b>Animal species</b>   | <b>no</b> | <b>Sum of N-content<br/>with system with<br/>deep straw</b> | <b>Sum of N-content<br/>with system slurry</b> |
|---|-----------|---|--|
| <b>Sum 4</b>  |           | 561,02 kg N   | 1128,74 kg N                                   |
| <b>Effectivity of N in one year: slurry<br/>70%, deep straw 50 % (national<br/>limit)</b> |           | Minus 50 %  | Minus 30 %                                     |
| <b>Sum 5</b>  |           | 280,51 kg N   | 790,12 kg N                                    |

## Cattle deep straw bedding manure:

effectivity of N = 50 %:  $561,02 \times 0,5 = 280,51$  kgN

Cattle slurry system: effectivity of N = 70 %:  $1128,74 \times 0,7 = 790,12 \text{ kgN}$

Fertilizer: effectivity of N =100 %: 337,5 kg N

In sum: 280,51 kg + 790,12 kg +337,5 kg N = 1408,13 kg N in one year

## 8. N-demand of the crops

| Crops                                    | ha   | Yield  | N-demand - annex 3 of the NAP (table 2 and 3) | Sum of maximum N-demand possible |
|--|------|--------|---|----------------------------------|
| Grassland, 4 uses, less than 40 % legume | 6,64 | Middle | 200 kg N / ha                                 | 1328,00 kg N                     |
| Grassland, 4 uses, 40-80% legume         | 0,54 | Middle | 150 kg N / ha                                 | 81,00 kg N                       |
| Maize for silage fodder (FM)             | 4,28 | middle | 175 kg N / ha                                 | 749,00k Ng                       |
| <b>sum</b>                               |      |        |   | <b>2158,00 kg N</b>              |

## 9. Assessment and calculation N-content of preceding crops

If there would be any preceding crops (legume) than it is necessary to decrease the N-demand

Example with national limits:

crop residues of perennials legume (40 kg)  
horse bean (20 kg), ....

## 10. Calculation of the N demand of the whole farm

Because in our example we have not the influence of preceding crops  
the N-demand of the whole farm is

**2158,00 kg N** (as calculated in point 8)

## 11. N-balance

|                               |                     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| N from manure and fertilizer: | 1408,13 kg N        |
| N-demand:                     | <u>2158,00 kg N</u> |
| N-balance:                    | -749,87 kg N        |

→ The farmer has given less N from manure and fertilizers as possible, therefore he is in compliance with the nitrate action programme.

### **3. Requirement:**

Control of the Storage Capacity

Storage capacity: 6 month

Exception: 3 month when

- livestock unit smaller than 30 and (since 2015 less than 1800kg N)
- there is a temporary manure heap

Database:

Annex 1 of the nitrate action programme

Annex 2 of the nitrate action programme

## NITRATE

### Annex 1

| Animal species       | Livestock unit |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Calve (- 6 month)    | 0,30           |
| Cattle (6- 24 month) | 0,60           |
| Cattle ( > 24 month) | 1,00           |
| Dairy cow (5000 kg)  | 1,00           |

## Annex 2

| Quantity of manure for<br>6 month in m <sup>3</sup> animal<br>species | Slurry | System of<br>solid/liquide manure |                  | Deep<br>straw<br>bedding<br>manure |
|---|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
|   |        | Solid<br>manure                   | Liquid<br>manure |                                    |
| Calve (- 6 month)   | 1,3    | 0,8                               | 0,7              | 1,7                                |
| Cattle (6- 12 month)  | 3,4    | 1,8                               | 1,7              | 3,9                                |
| Cattle (12-24 month)  | 5,8    | 3,0                               | 2,9              | 6,2                                |
| Heifers (> 24 month)  | 7,7    | 3,8                               | 3,8              | 8,2                                |
| Dairy cow (5000 kg)   | 11,5   | 7,4                               | 3,8              | 11,9                               |

## NITRATE

| Example              | Nr. | Quantity of manure<br>for six month in m <sup>3</sup> | Livestock<br>unit  |
|----------------------|-----|---|--------------------|
| Calve (- 6 month)    | 4   | Deep straw<br>$\times 1,7 = 6,8$                      | $\times 0,3 = 1,2$ |
| Cattle (6- 12 month) | 11  | Deep straw<br>$\times 3,9 = 42,9$                     | $\times 0,6 = 6,6$ |
| Cattle (12-24 month) | 7   | Deep straw<br>$\times 6,2 = 43,4$                     | $\times 0,6 = 4,2$ |
| Cattle (12-24 month) | 8   | Slurry<br>$\times 5,8 = 46,4$                         | $\times 0,6 = 4,8$ |
| Heifers (> 24 month) | 2   | Slurry<br>$\times 7,7 = 15,4$                         | $\times 1 = 2$     |
| Dairy cow (5000 kg)  | 17  | Slurry<br>$\times 11,5 = 195,5$                       | $\times 1 = 17$    |

## NITRATE

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Evaluation of the whole quantity of manure and the livestock unit

| Manure                       | Quantity of<br>manure for six<br>month in m <sup>3</sup> | Livestock<br>unit |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Slurry                       | 257,3 m <sup>3</sup>                                     | ---               |
| Deep straw bedding<br>manure | 93,10 m <sup>3</sup>                                     | ---               |
| Sum                          | ---  | 35,8              |

## NITRATE

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Storage capacity for 6 month is necessary

- 1 Purchase or selling of manure  
No reduction of the capacity, when selling only in summer
  
- 2 Capacity on farm for slurry: 307,1 m<sup>3</sup>  
 $307,1 - 257,3 = + 49,8$
  
- 3 Capacity on farm for deep straw bedding manure : 270 m<sup>3</sup>  
 $270 - 93,10 = +176,9$



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**Thank you!**

# Groundwater protection in Lower Austria

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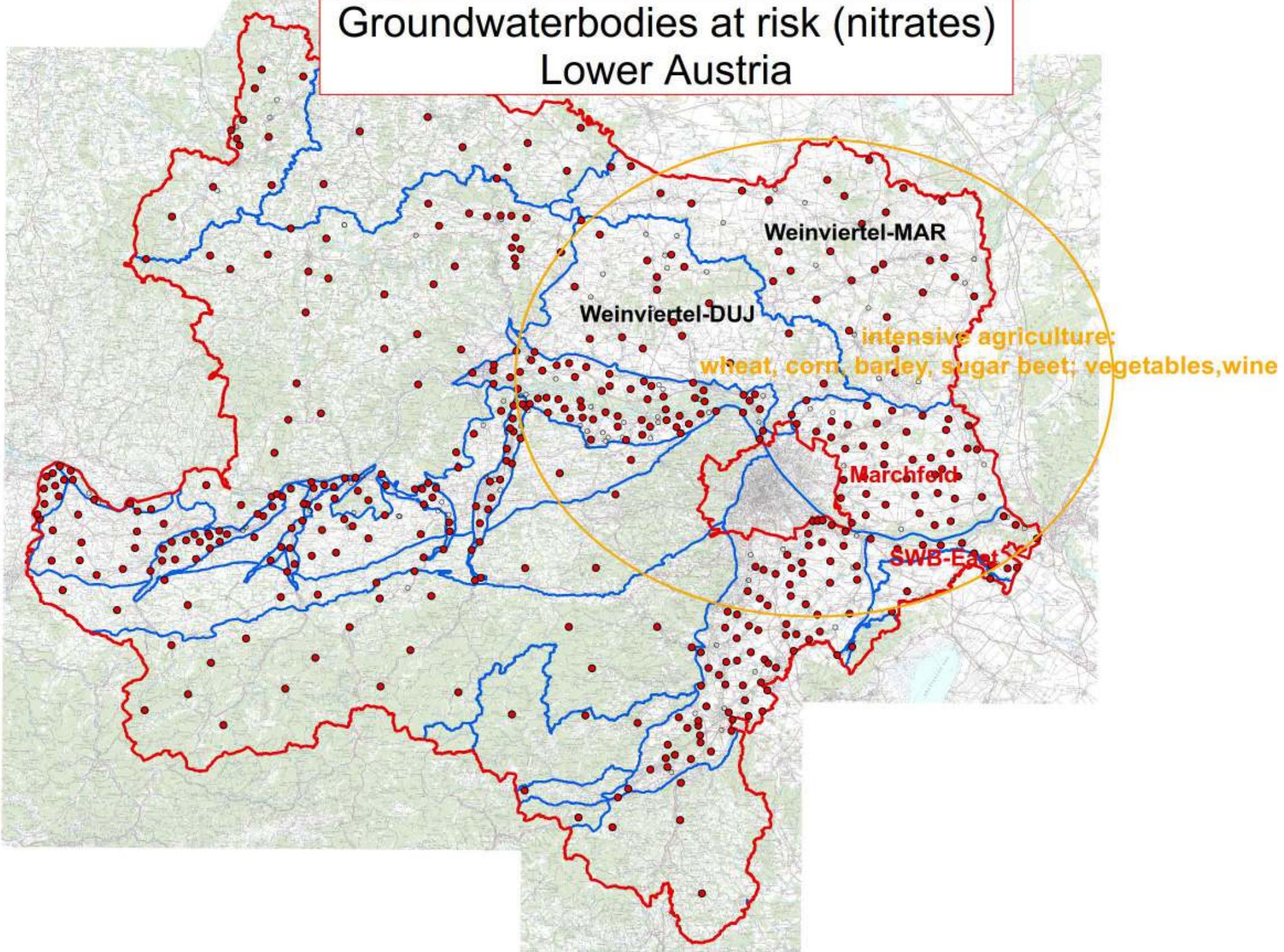
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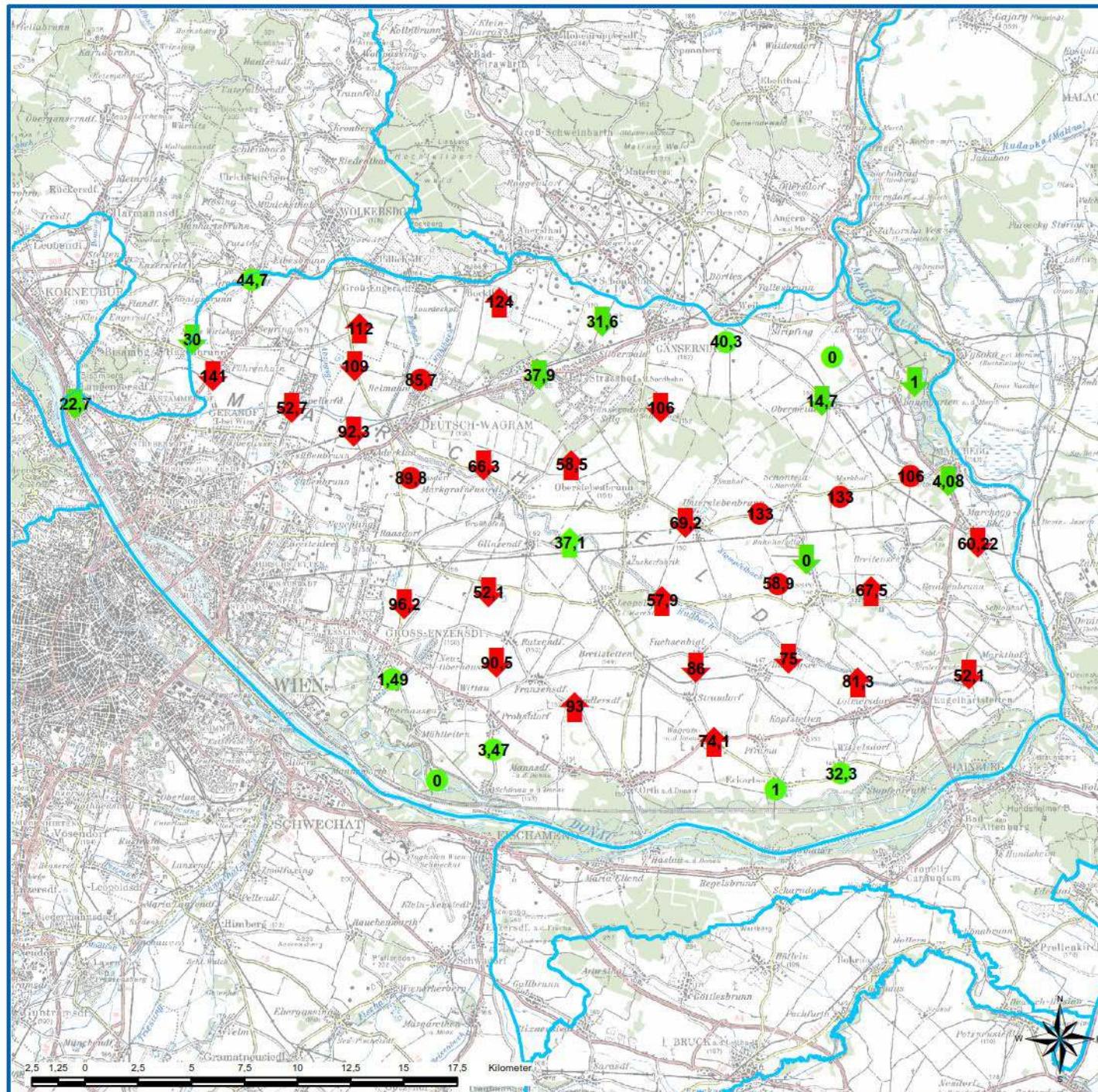


- 19.000 km<sup>2</sup>
  - 1,600,000 inh.
- Capital: St. Pölten



# Groundwaterbodies at risk (nitrates) Lower Austria





## Grundwasserkörper

Quellen: BEV, Gruppe L, 1080 Wien u. Amt d. NO Landesreg., 3109 St. Pölten

wasser  
niederösterreich  
WA2 Wasserwirtschaft

## Trendauswertung Nitrat

- Marchfeld [DUJ]

Beurteilungszeitraum:  
1. Quartal 2010 bis 4. Quartal 2015

Zu Messstellen angezeigt:  
Letzter Nitratwert

Dabei sind Werte mit „0“ kleiner als  
- die Bestimmungsgrenze  
- die Nachweisgrenze

Stand: März 2016  
Bearbeiter: Manfred Schmidt

Bezüglich der Richtigkeit und Vollständigkeit der zur Verfügung gestellten Daten, sowie für Schäden, die aus solchen Mängeln entstehen, übernimmt das Amt der NO Landesregierung keine Haftung.

# Regional groundwater protection examples Lower Austria

- Nitrate information service ([www.nid.at](http://www.nid.at))
- Monitoring of nitrogen fluxes in the Marchfeld
- Evaluation of agricultural measures regarding Nitrate-development in groundwater
- Cooperation water management - agriculture



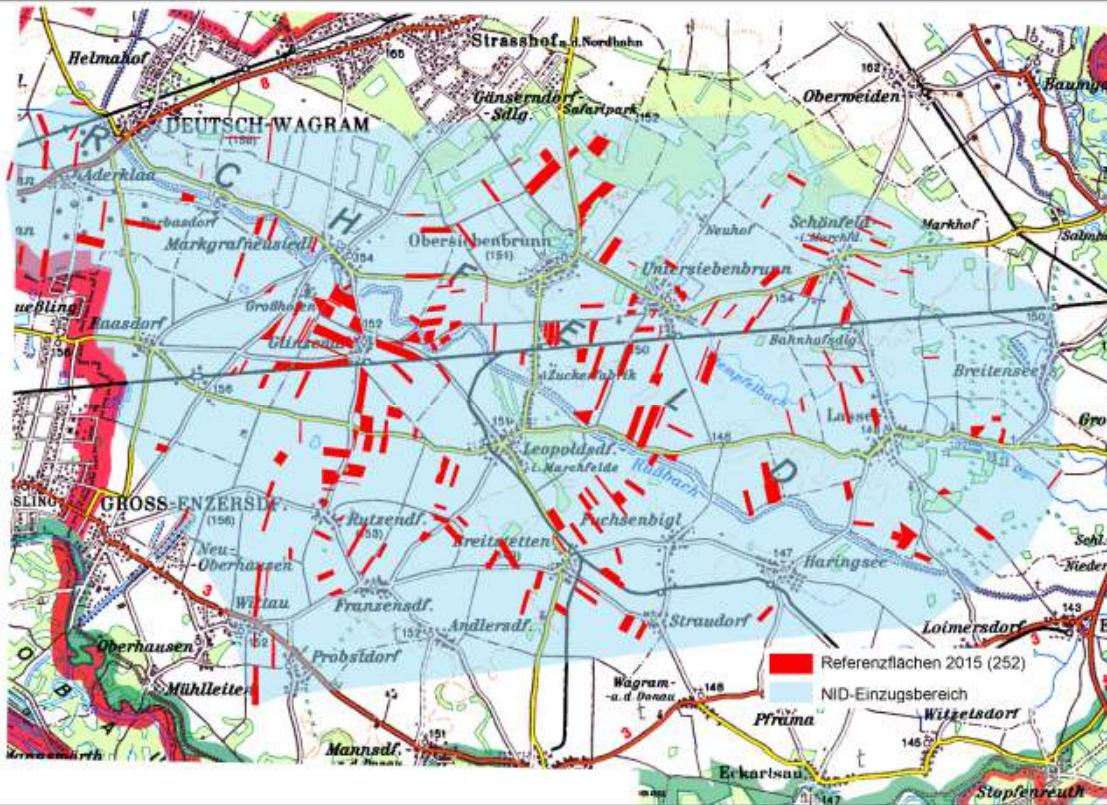
# Nitrate information service (NID)

- Project (2002): Department of Water Management, chamber of agriculture, evn water: greatest water supplier of Lower Austria; Burgenland
- Service to farmers to adapt nitrogen fertilization to actual levels of mineral nitrogen in soils focused on important areas of agricultural production (~groundwaterbodies at qualitative risk)
- Reduction of fertilizer application without any decline of harvest → reduction of nitrogen surplus → improvement groundwater quality



# Nitrate information service (NID)

- Nmin soil analysis: 0-30, 30-60, 60-90 cm (february) on representative agricultural areas



# Nitrate information service (NID)

- Nmin+Informations of former fertilization and crops →
- Recommendation of amount of N-fertilizer for the most important regional crops: wheat, corn, barley, potato
- Example: general fertilization recommendation for wheat of 110 kg N/ha – Nmin (30 kg N/ha) = actual recommendation of 90 kg N/ha
- Win-win situation: less fertilizer - less costs - less groundwater contamination



# Nitrate information service (NID)

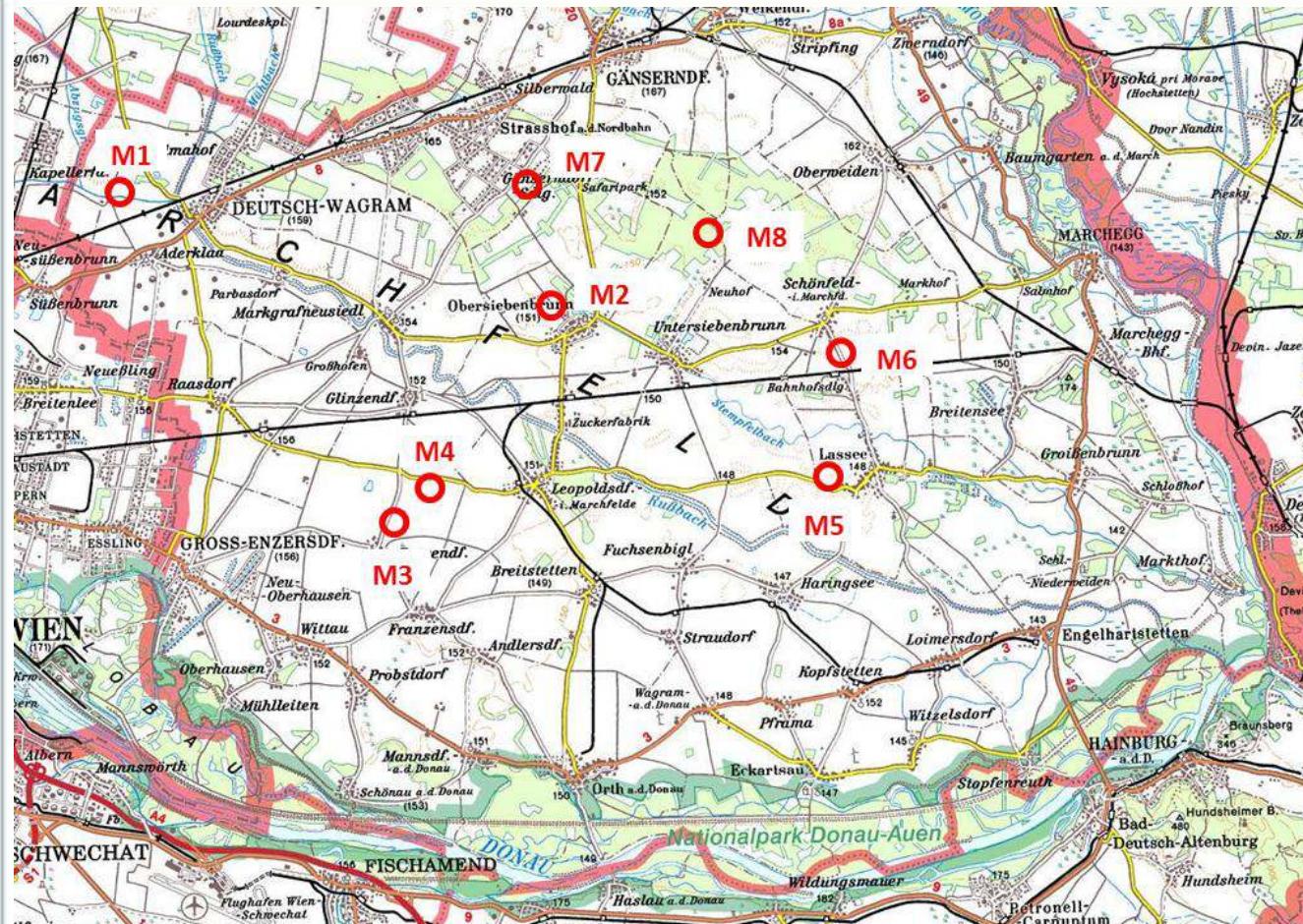
- NID also includes recommendations of later N-fertilization based on chlorophyll testing of leaves (wheat, barley)
- [www.nid.at](http://www.nid.at); sms; publications of the chamber of agriculture; obligatory agricultural training events

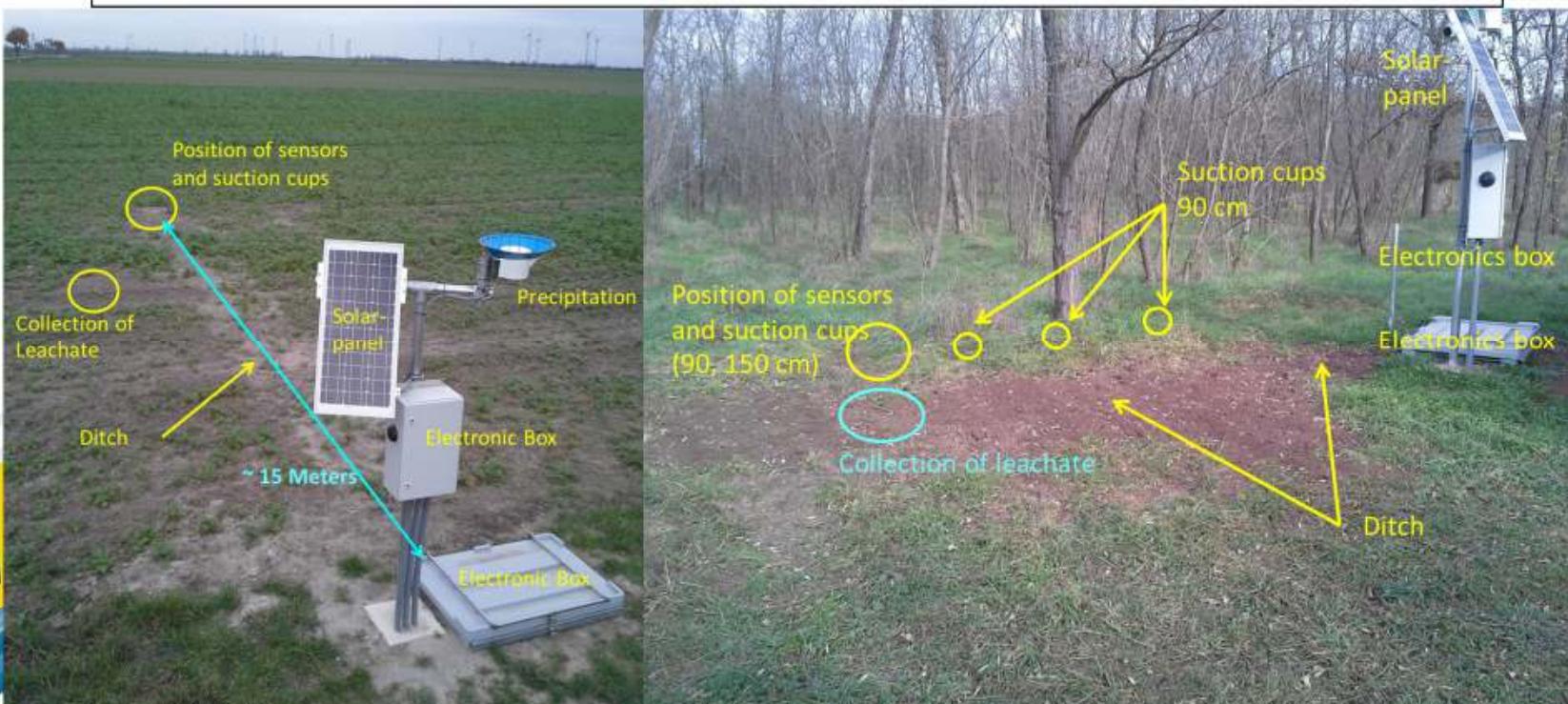
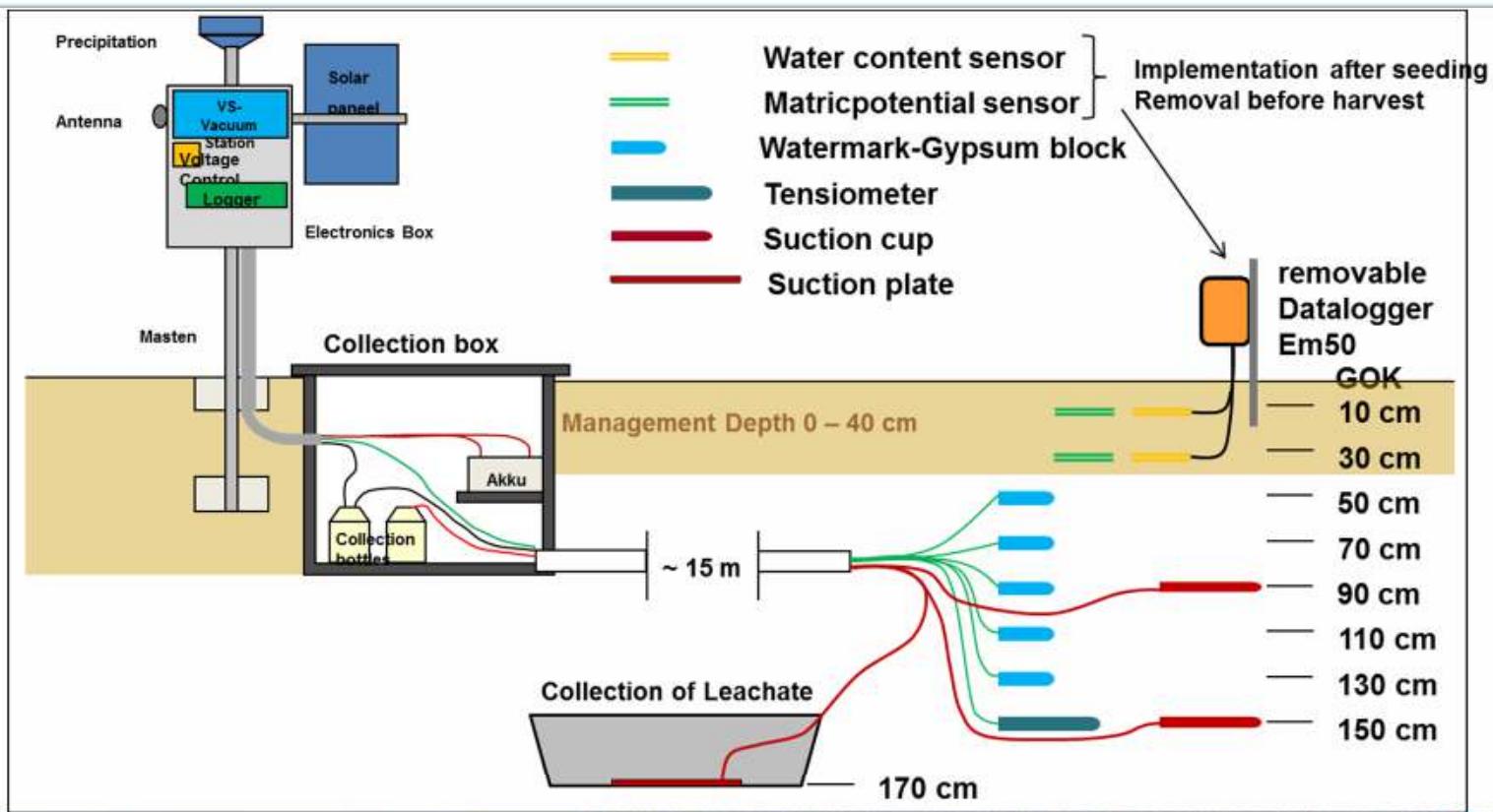


# Monitoring of nitrogen fluxes in the Marchfeld region

- Dept. of Water Management (LA), Chamber of agriculture (LA), BMLFUW; 2015-2019
- Identification of potential agricultural management measures to reduce nitrate concentrations in groundwater
- Status quo: collection of soil water leachate + full documentation of agrarian management + monitoring of plant growth, yields and nutrient contents





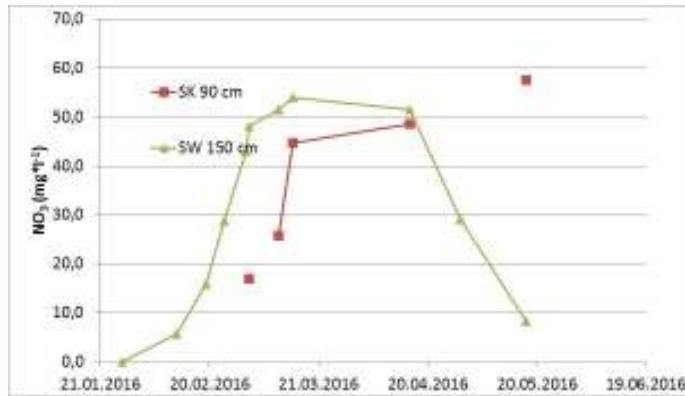


# FIRST RESULTS

M1 Aderklaa; Arable- shallow soil



M2 Obersiebenbrunn; Arable deep soil



## Nitrate concentrations

M6 Schönfeld; Bio – vegetable – shallow soil.



Catch Crop 2015 M3



Beans 2015 M6



M5 Lassee; Bio - vegetable deep soil



# Survey of agricultural management

- **Type of crop, breed**, time of planting, harvesting, yield
- **Mineral fertilization**, Date, Amount, Type, Nutrient contents
- **Organic fertilization**, Date, Amount, Type, Nutrient contents
- **Soil Management**, Date, Type, Depth
- **Irrigation**, Date, Amount(mm), Nutrient Content

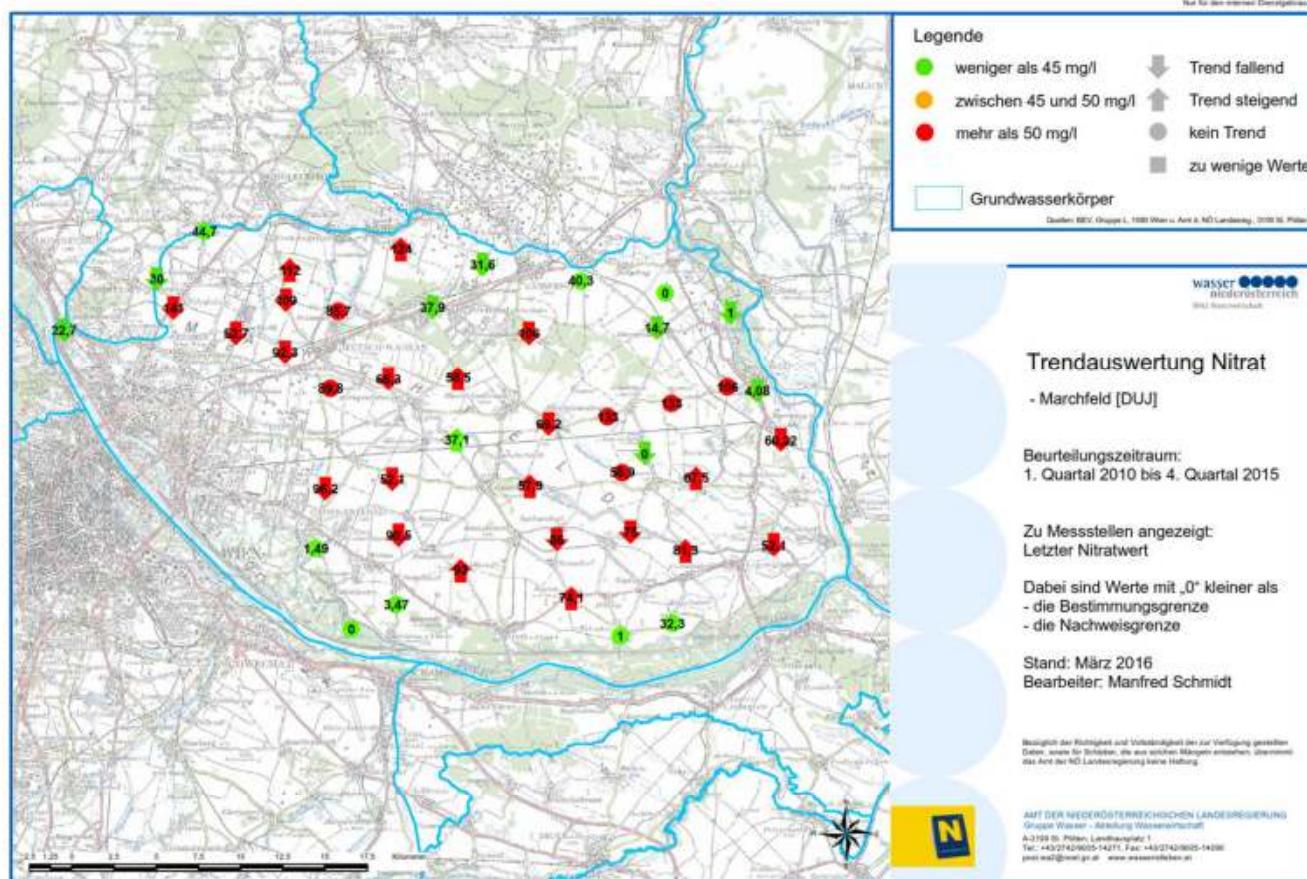


# Next steps

- Expert panel elaborates based on the obtained (2015-2016) data effective and really implementable agricultural measures in order to reduce N-input into groundwater
- Testing of measures on fields and necessary changes of measures
- Presentation of effective measures as best practice examples
- Basis for revision of national (ÖPUL) and regional measures

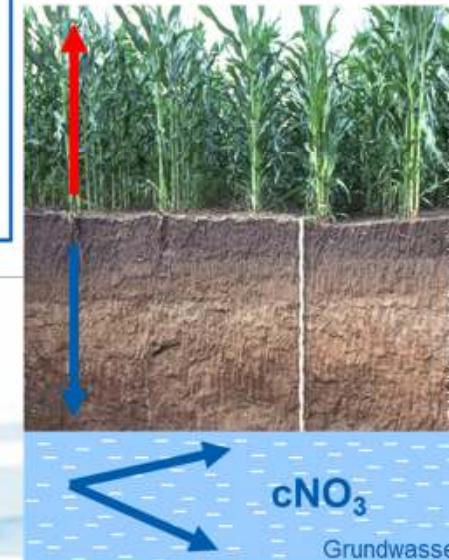


# Evaluation of agricultural measures regarding Nitrate development



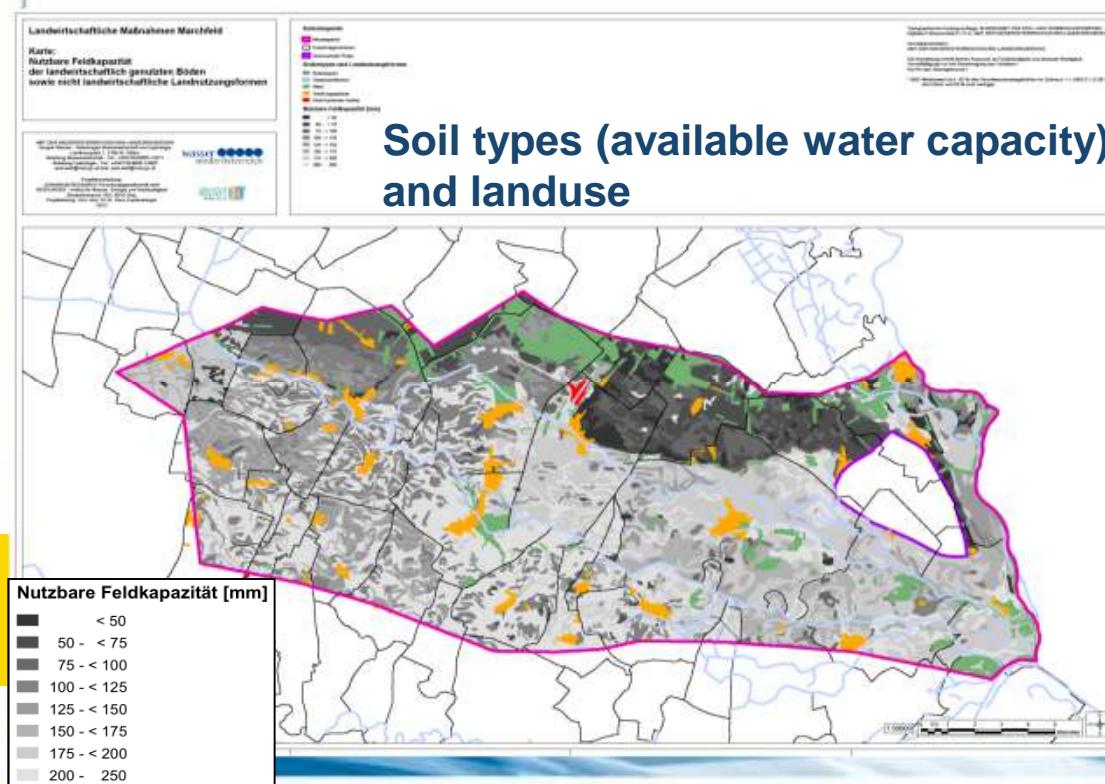
## Groundwater model Marchfeld:

Soil water movement and  
nitrogen leaching model  
**SIMWASSER/STOTRASIM**  
**+2D FEFLOW** groundwater

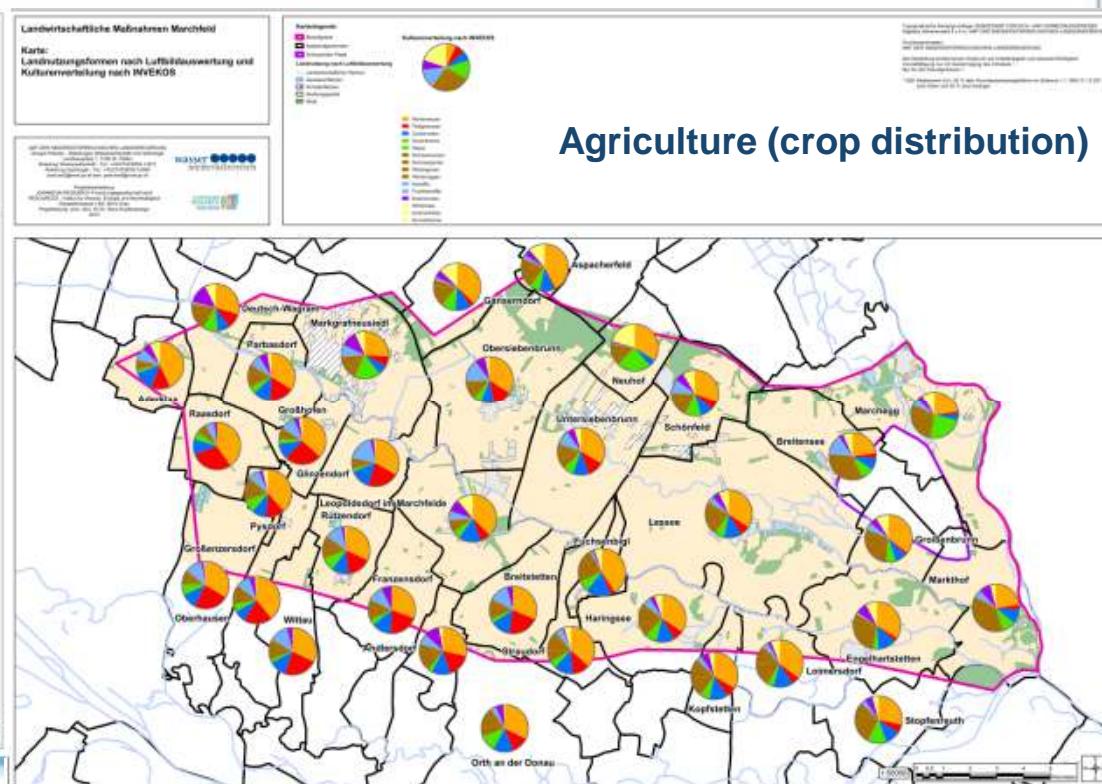


# Model parameters

- Meteorological and hydrological parameters
  - Soil types, landuse, crop distribution and rotation, irrigation
  - Scenarios: extensification, minimum tillage, maximum greening, reduction of fertilizer



# **Soil types (available water capacity) and landuse**



## Agriculture (crop distribution)

## Karte:

Differenz Variante 4 zu IST-Zustand  
Ungesättigte Zone - Stickstoffaustrag

## Kartenlegende:

- Modellgebiet
  - Katastralgemeinden
  - Schleshofer Platte
- Differenz Variante 4 zu IST-Zustand
- Differenz der Jahresmittel des Stickstoffaustrags [kg/ha]
- -50 bis -60
  - -50 bis -40
  - > -40 bis -30
  - > -30 bis -20
  - > -20 bis -10
  - > -10 bis 0
  - > 0 bis 4

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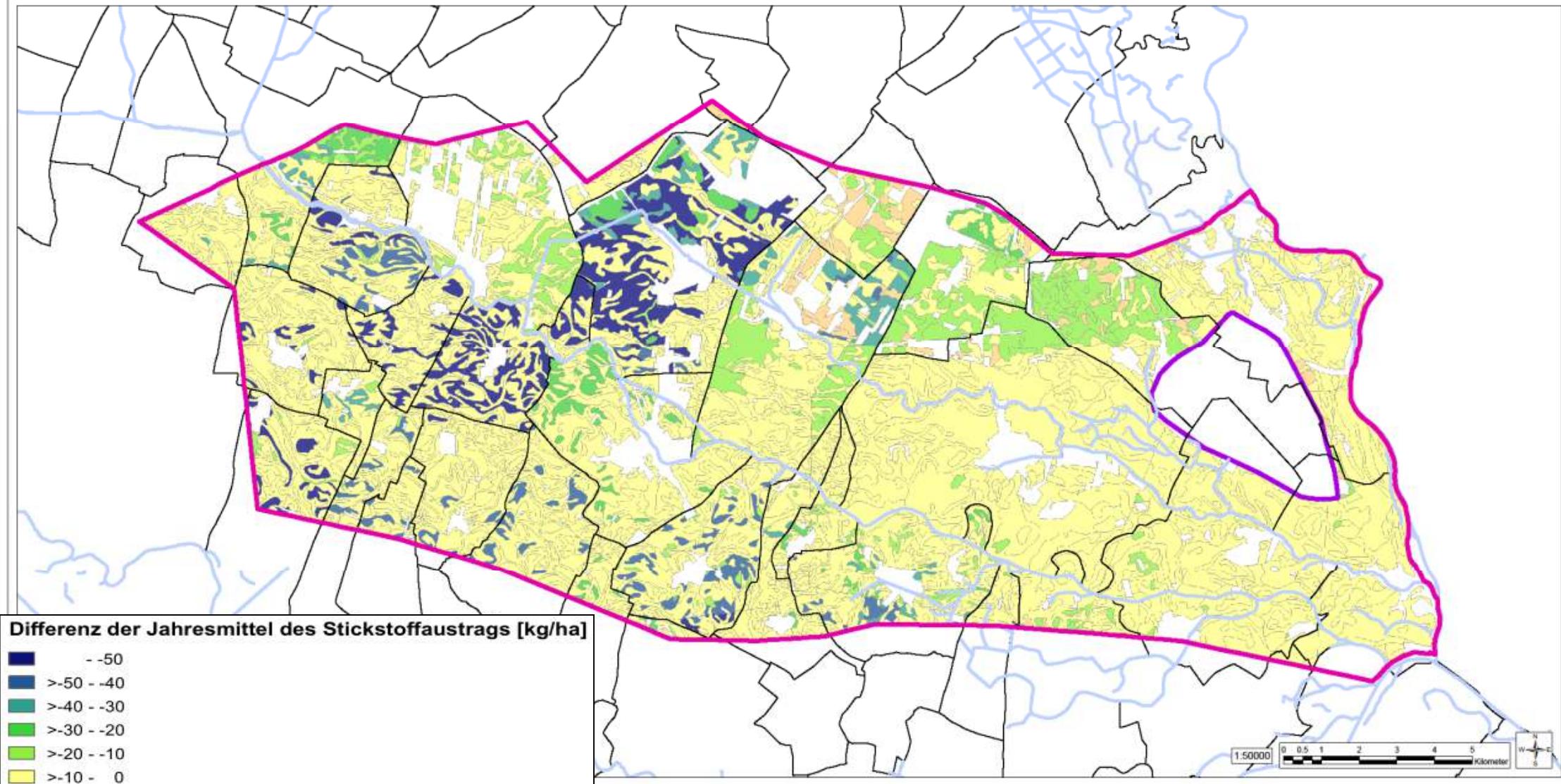
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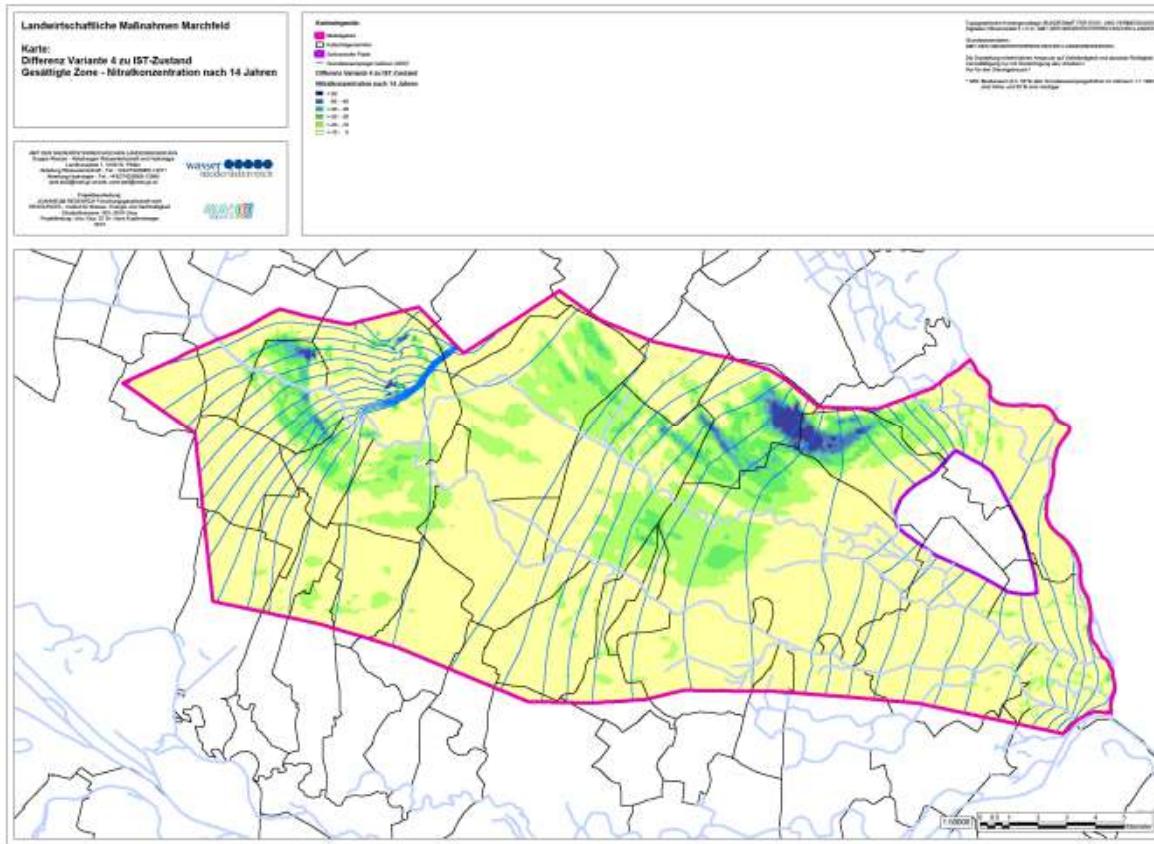
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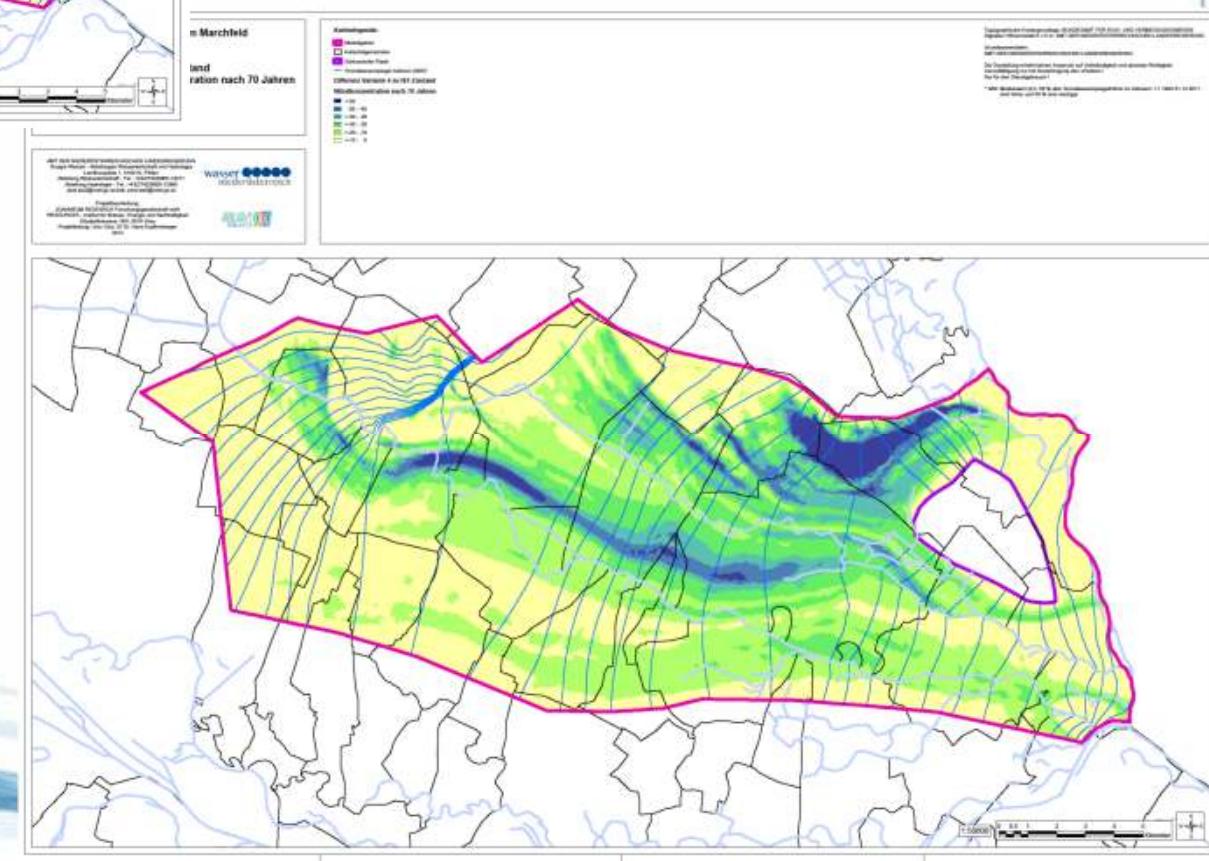
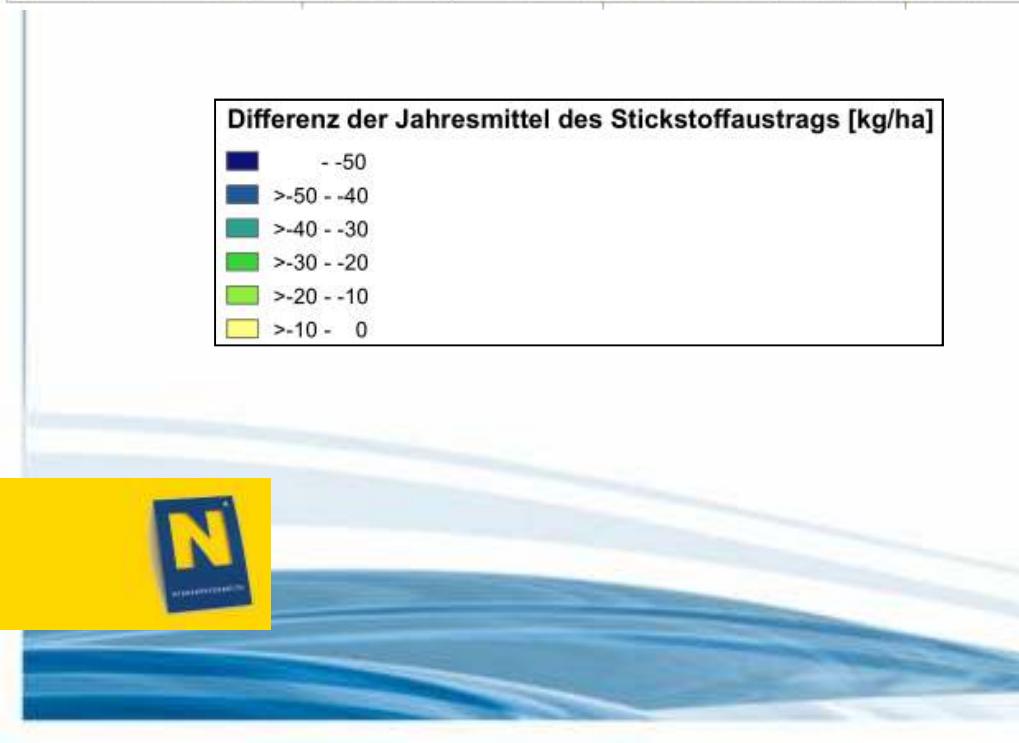
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# Maximum Greening: difference (-kg/ha) of N-discharge to status quo





# Nitrate distribution in groundwater after 14 and 70 y with the scenario maximum greening; difference (-mg/l) to status quo evolution



# Results:

- **Extensification** (areas >25 kg N/ha discharge; ~19% of total area) most effective method to reduce nitrate concentration in groundwater
- **Maximum greening** (wherever in crop rotation possible) and **reduction of fertilizer** (AP Nitrate: recommendation from high earnings to average earnings) are less effective.
- **Minimum tillage** has no significant influence on the N-discharge
- Results as basis for revision of national (ÖPUL) and regional measures to reduce N-input into groundwater



# Cooperation water managment - agriculture

- Project partner
- Mutual awareness raising
- Program of education (theory and practice!) for the farmers (seminars, field days, agricultural publications,...)



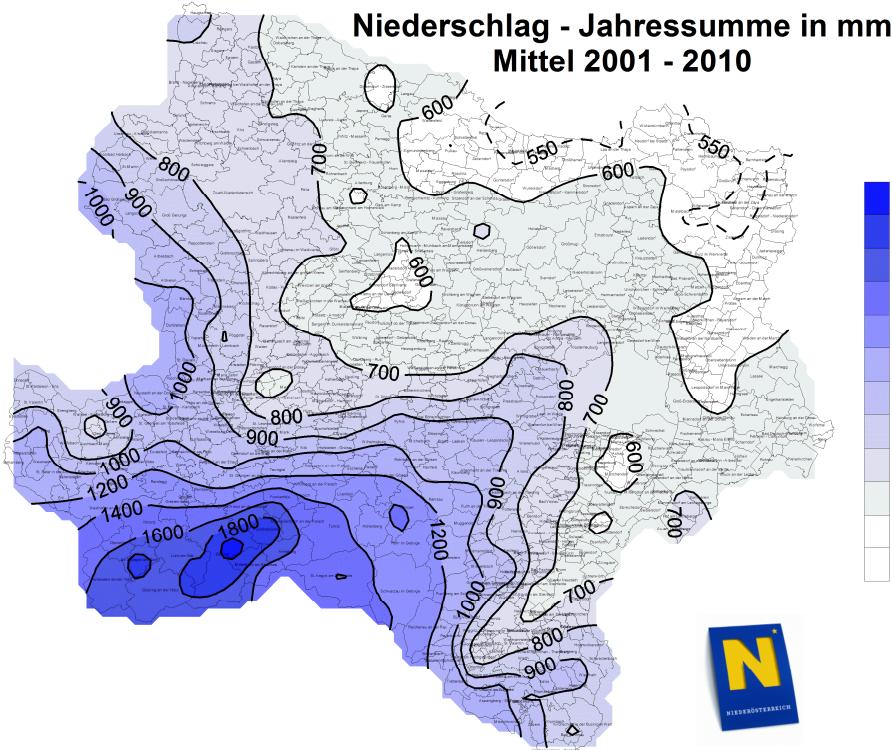
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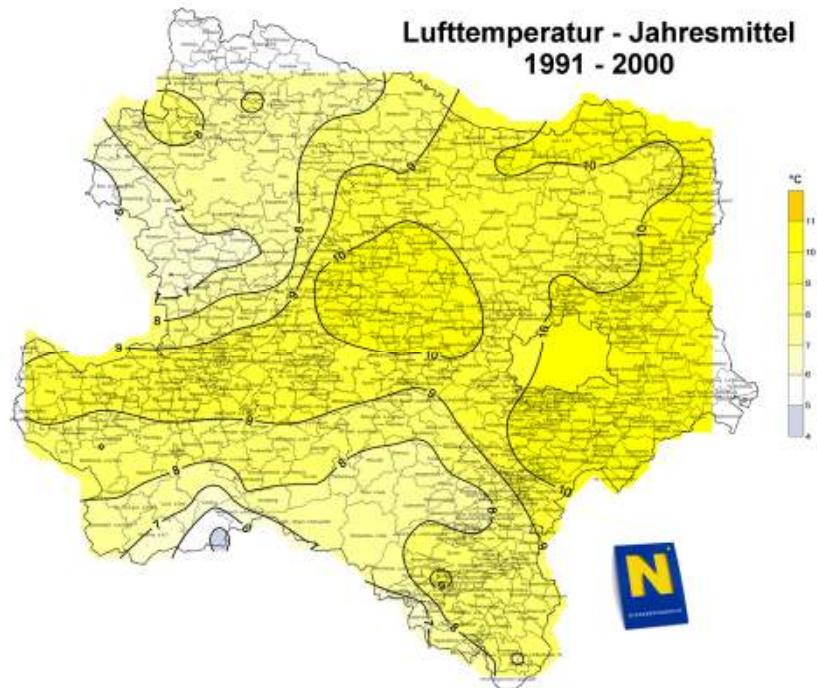
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1991 - 2000



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Research activities at  
**AREC Raumberg-Gumpenstein**  
-from forage plant breeding to climate change  
experiments



# Basic data/facts about AREC Raumberg-Gumpenstein

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## Federal Research Institute & Federal Agricultural College

- annual budget of ~18 Mio. €
- ~330 employees (including 55 teachers and educators for 450 students)
- 320 ha agriculturally used land
- ~35 ha experimental fields
- livestock: 240 cattle (100 dairy cows), 320 sheep and goats, 250 pigs



# Institute of Livestock Research

## Dep. Animal nutrition

- nutrient mobilization of dairy cows
- feed intake, digestibility (in vivo) and degradability (in situ and in vitro) of feed stuff
- influence of protein and energy supply on milk yield, rumen and blood parameters of dairy cows



⇒ excretion rate and nutrient concentration of manure (EU-nitrate directive, Austrian action programme, national fertilization guidelines)

## Dep. Alternative cattle production systems and herd management

- extensively managed beef suckler cows
- ecological and economic effects of extensive grassland management systems



## Dep. Sheep and goats

- economic parameters of sheep and goat breeding
- sheep and goats for meat production



# Institute of Animal Welfare and Animal Health

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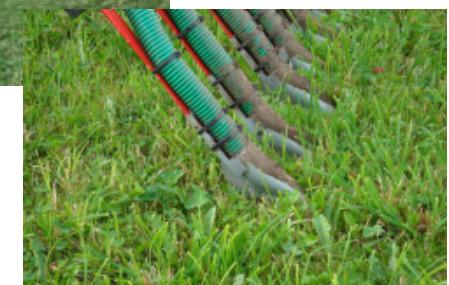
## Dep. Stable climate and animal welfare

- Development and evaluation of ventilation systems
- analysis of stable climate
- reduction of NH<sub>3</sub>-emissions from stable houses



## Dep. Agricultural engineering

- testing grassland management techniques
- reduction of NH<sub>3</sub>-emissions from agriculture during manure storage and application



## Dep. Animal husbandry

- animal-friendly housing systems
- assessment of farm animal welfare
- interactions between housing systems & animal health



# Institute of Organic Farming and Biodiversity

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- Dep. Organic grassland management and livestock research
- Dep. Organic arable farming
- Dep. Preventive animal health
- Dep. Biodiversity of livestock
- Dep. Legislative activities in organic farming (Austria and EU)



# Institute of Plant Production and Cultural Landscape

## Dep. Environmental ecology



- plant physiology and root morphology
- soil nutrient budget, soil aggregate stability
- quantity and quality of leachate via lysimeter experiments



suction cups



leachate  
collectors



gravitation  
lysimeter



weighable  
monolith  
lysimeter

# Institute of Plant Production and Cultural Landscape

## Dep. Grassland management and cultural landscape

### field experiments, field studies:

- fertilisation & utilisation
- forage conservation



# Fertilisation & utilisation experiments

- mineral and organic fertilizers, sewage sludge, biogas slurry, plant ash ....
- in combination with different cutting frequency (1-6 cuts/year)
- well documented long-term experiments (yield, forage quality, floristic diversity, soil)

⇒ N-efficiency of manure on permanent grassland (slurry, liquid slurry, solid farm manure, composted farm manure)

⇒ short term and long term effects on water, soil, soil fertility and botany

⇒ long-term Experiments are still/again of interest in terms of climate change (retrospective view), long-term effects of fertilizers and different treatments (compared to unfertilized reference plots) and for other specific investigations, e.g.



# Long-term Experiments – projects & publications

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„Natural  $^{15}\text{N}$  abundance of plants and soils under different management practices in a montane grassland“ (WATZKA ET AL., 2006)

„Langzeitversuche im Grünland - mehr als nur ressourcenzehrende Nostalgie?“  
(PÖTSCH ET AL., 2015)

„Soil microbial carbon use efficiency and biomass turnover in a long-term fertilization experiment in a temperate Grasland“ (SPOHN ET AL., 2016)

„Influence of nitrogen fertilization on the crude protein fractions of grassland forage“  
(GIERUS ET AL., 2016)

„Effect of different N, P, K fertilization on plant species composition and species richness in an alluvial meadow“ (PAVLU ET AL., 2016)

„Variability, manipulation and prediction of ecosystem services in European long-term grassland experiments in relation to functional diversity“ (AREC & UNIVERSITY OF BONN)

„Functional analysis of non-symbiotic N-fixing microbes under contrasting environments“ (WOEBKEN ET AL., IN PRINT)



# Forage conservation experiments

- >60 silage experiments at AREC Raumberg-Gumpenstein since 1962 (small scaled tower silos – 250l, barrels – 60l preserving jars – 1l)
- main focus on:  
**silage additives (salts, acids, enzymes, bacteria), vegetation stage, cutting height, compaction level, chopping length, forage contamination, silage systems ...)**
- Austrian-wide monitoring (> 3,700 silage samples) to evaluate silage and hay quality (chemical analysis, microbial status, sensorial evaluation)
- identification of problematic areas on farms – feedback – knowledge transfer
- increase of forage quality!



# Climate change experiments (I)

## ClimGrassEco

“Impact of future climate conditions on biogeochemistry of grassland ecosystems”

- worldwide unique, innovative combination of four technical systems:



monolithic  
lysimeters

+



infrared  
heaters

+



mini  
FACE

+



rainout  
shelters

Multi-factorial outdoor experiment on grassland with a variation and combination of:

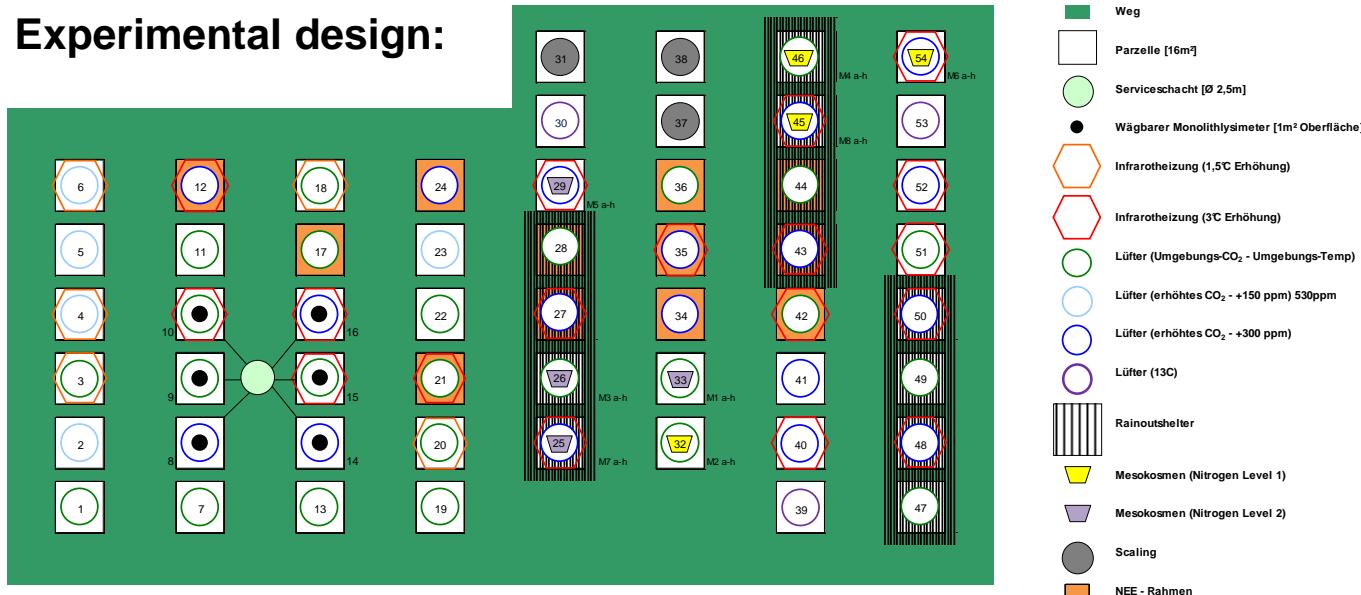
- temperature (ambient, + 1.5°C, +3.0°C)
- CO<sub>2</sub>-concentration (ambient, + 150 ppm, + 300 ppm)
- precipitation (simulation of heatwaves/drought periods)
- N-level (by mesocosm-experiments on selected plots)



# Climate change experiments (II)

## ClimGrassEco

### Experimental design:



54 plots

plot size: 16 m<sup>2</sup>

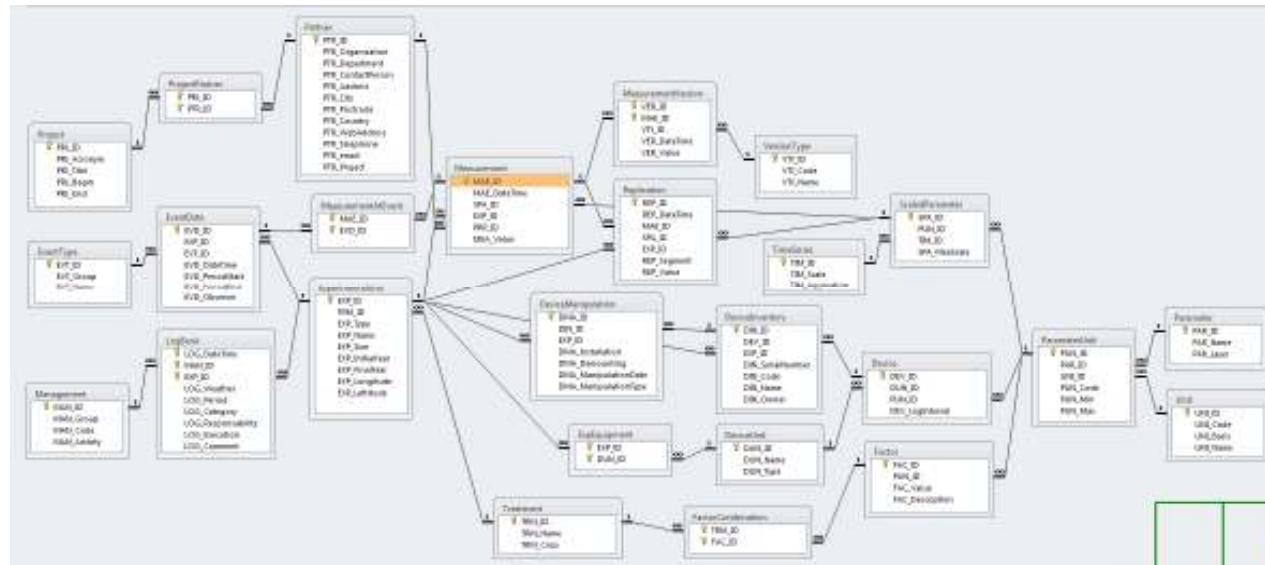
- all plots are individually controlled (*LabView/National Instruments*)
- the regulation of temperature and CO<sub>2</sub>-concentration is based on a subset of reference plots
- dimmers and CO<sub>2</sub>-controllers switch in intervals of 5 ms
- technique is placed in a field container



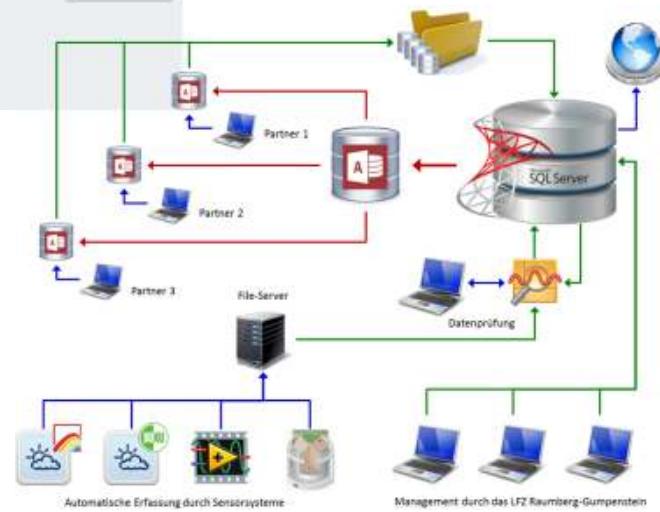
# Climate change experiments (III)

# ClimGrassEco

## Data management:



- complex data base system
  - automated sensor data transfer (lysimeters, weather stations, microsensor ..) ≈40,000 data/day
  - + data from invasive and non-invasive analysis, surveys
  - raw data are tested for plausibility, consistency and completeness
  - data analysis, visualisation



# Climate change experiments (IV)

vegetation stage



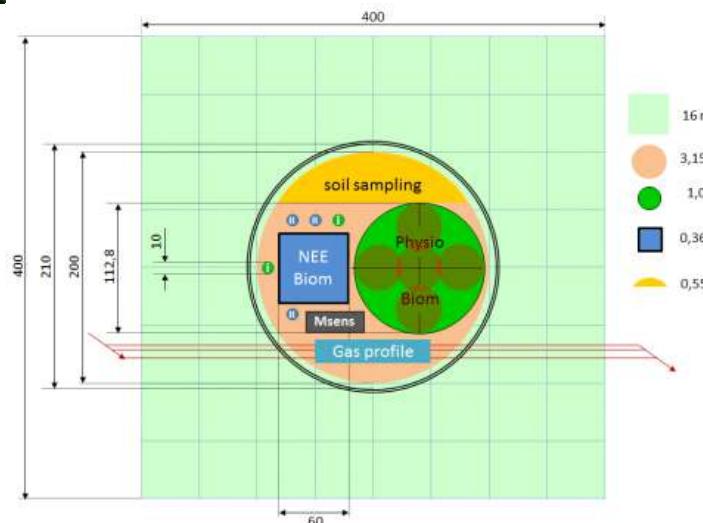
plant surveys



leaf area index



ultrasonic technique



soil and plant respiration



gas profile in soil

invasive harvest



respiration chamber

non-invasive analysis by field spectroscopy

# IMPEL – EXCURSION



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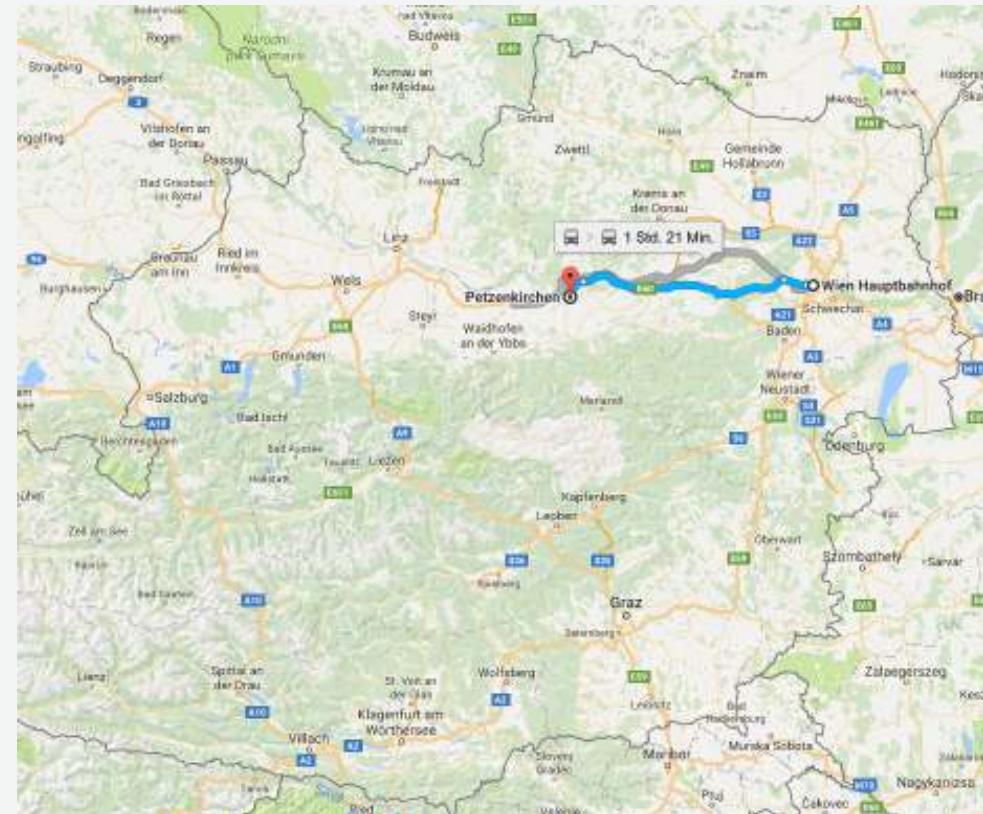
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1<sup>st</sup> Station (9-11 a.m.):

Federal Agency for Water Management – Institute for Land and Water Management Research (IKT)

- Institution associated to BMLFUW
- Research institution for sustainable surface water and groundwater protection
- Strong collaboration with University of Technology Vienna (Doctoral programme)



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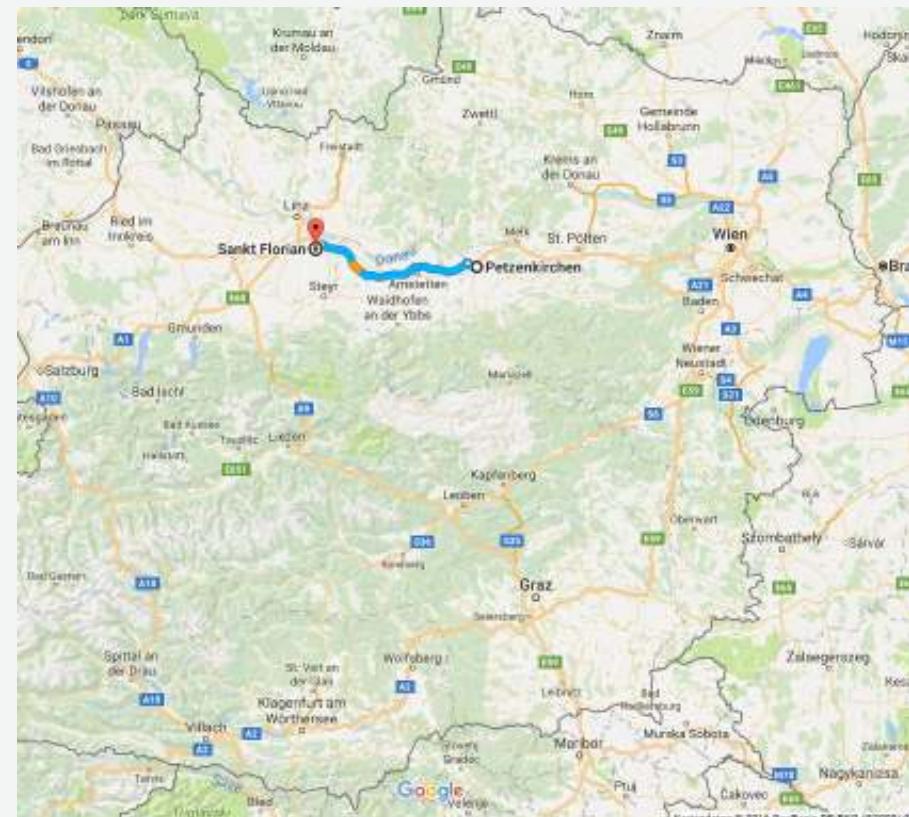


## FIRST DAY - 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

2<sup>nd</sup> Station (12- 4 p.m.):

HLBLA St. Florian (College of Agriculture) - associated to BMLFUW

- *Lunch*
- Meeting with colleagues of
  - **Regional government of Upper Austria** – Water Management Unit
  - **Chamber of Agriculture Upper Austria** – Boden.Wasser.Schutz.Beratung
- Site visit to experimental plot (catch crop cultivation)
- Visit to farm nearby HLBLA (participating agro-env. program ÖPUL)



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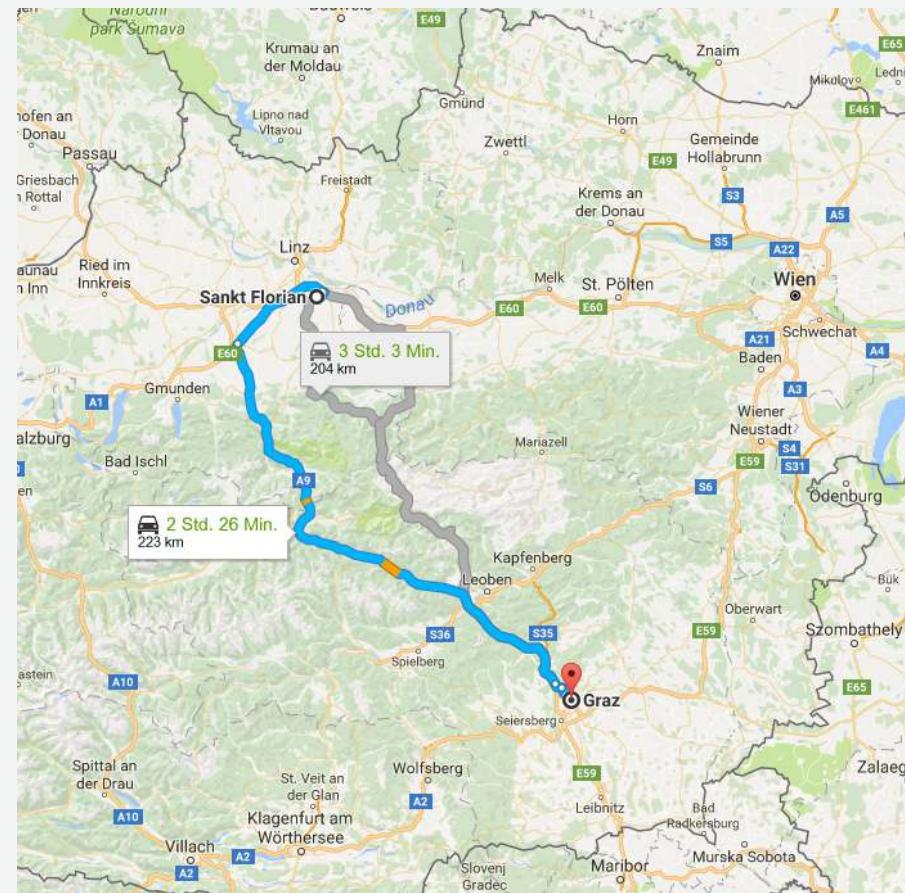
## FIRST DAY - 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

Bus travel to Graz (4-7. p.m.)

Expected arrival at Hotel Daniel in Graz at 7 p.m.



Joint Dinner at 8 p.m.  
Restaurant „Der Steirer“  
Address: Belgiergasse 1



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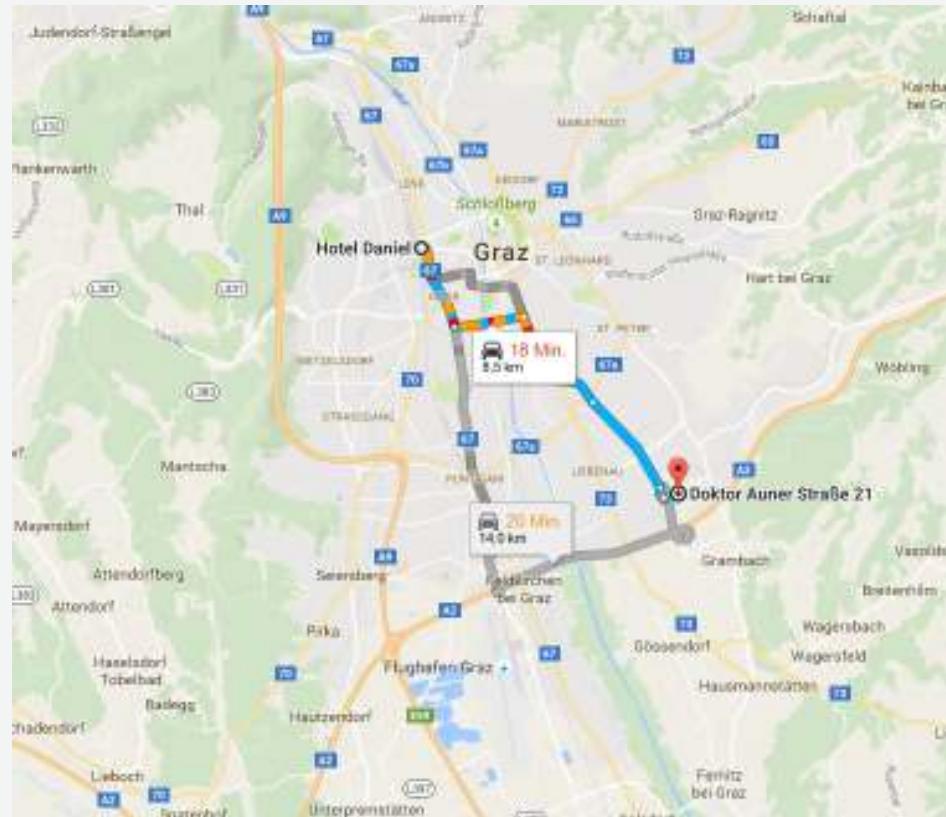
SECOND DAY - 5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

**Departure** from Hotel at 8 a.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Station (8:45-10 a.m.):

Regional Office of Maschinenring Steiermark

- Meeting and Discussion with colleagues from
  - **Regional government of Styria** – Water Management Unit
  - **Maschinenring Steiermark**
  - **Joanneum Research**



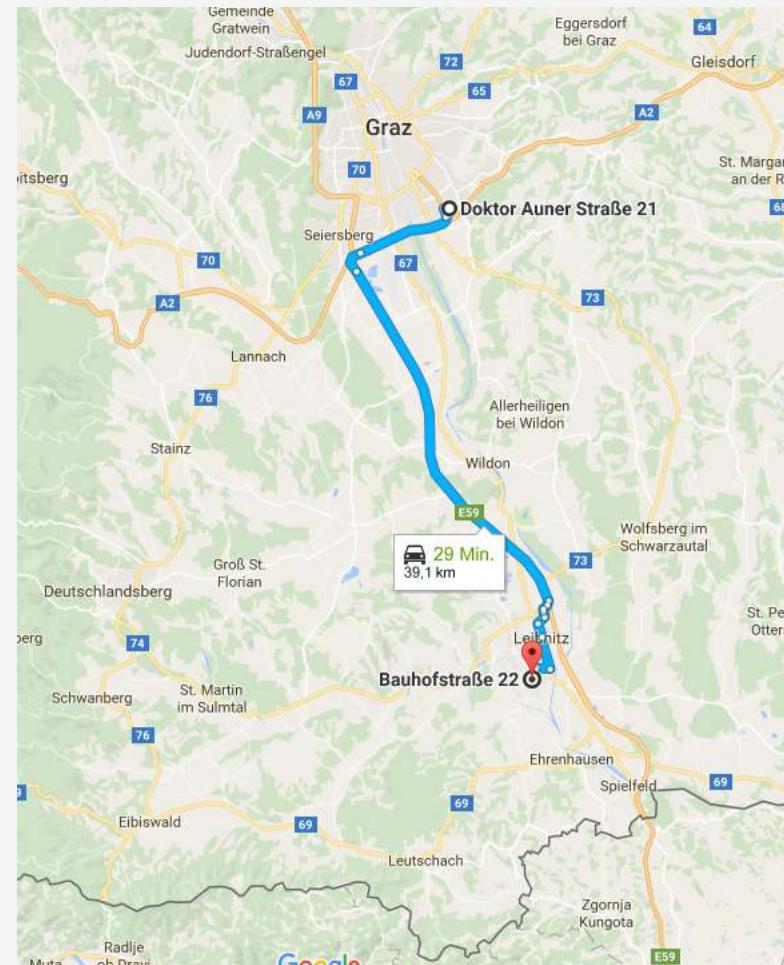
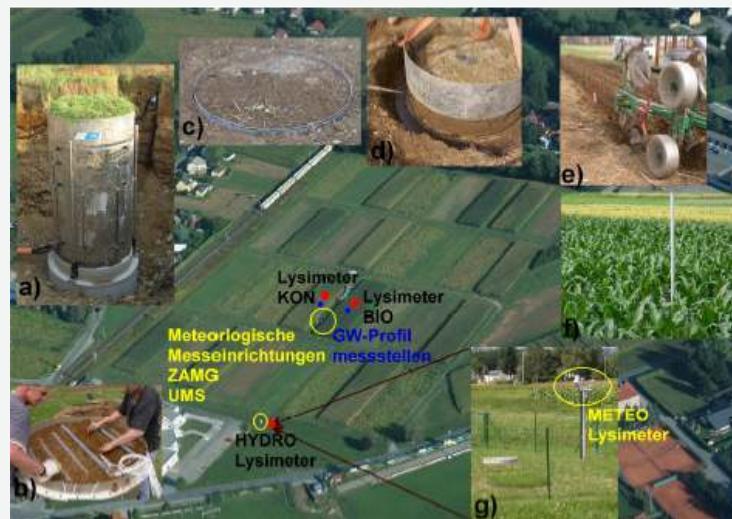
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2<sup>nd</sup> Station (10:30-11:30 a.m.):

Lysimeter station Wagna

- Research station operated by Joanneum research
- Research on influence of agricultural practises on nitrate leaching to groundwater



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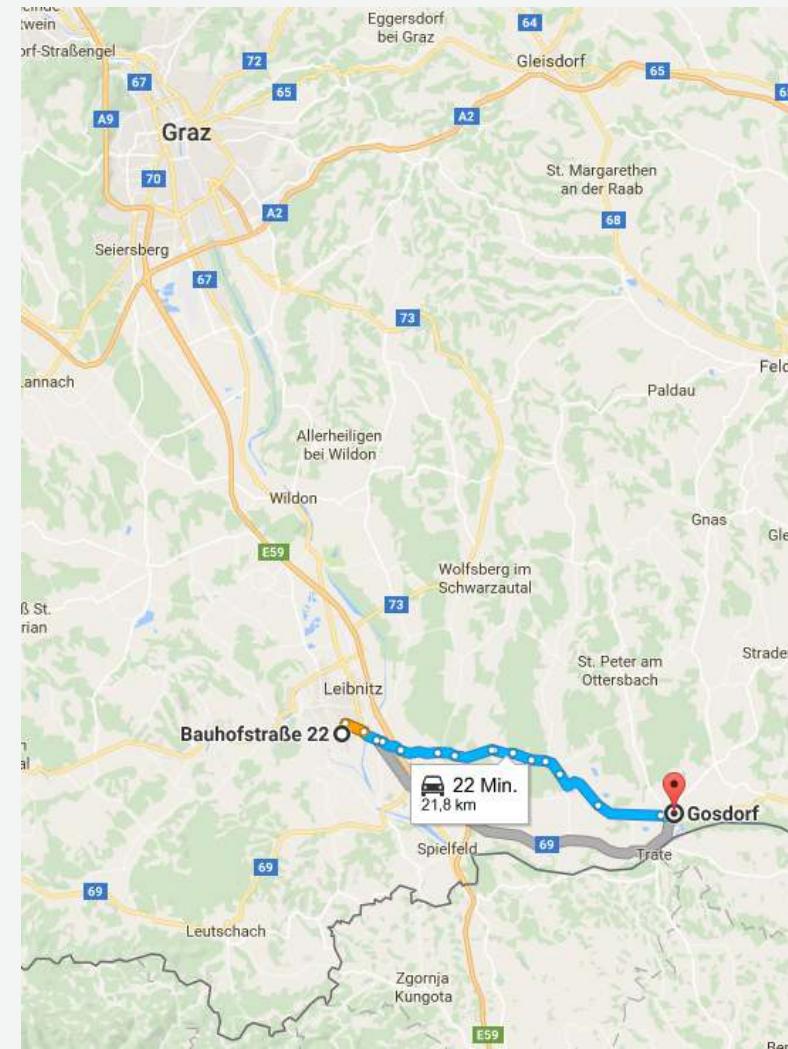
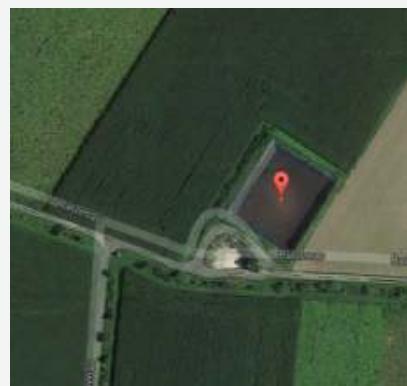


## SECOND DAY - 5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

3<sup>rd</sup> Station (12-12:45 p.m.):

Gosdorf/ Ratzenau

- Visit to shared slurry lagoon
- Showcase sampling of manure by Maschinenring (service provision to farmers)

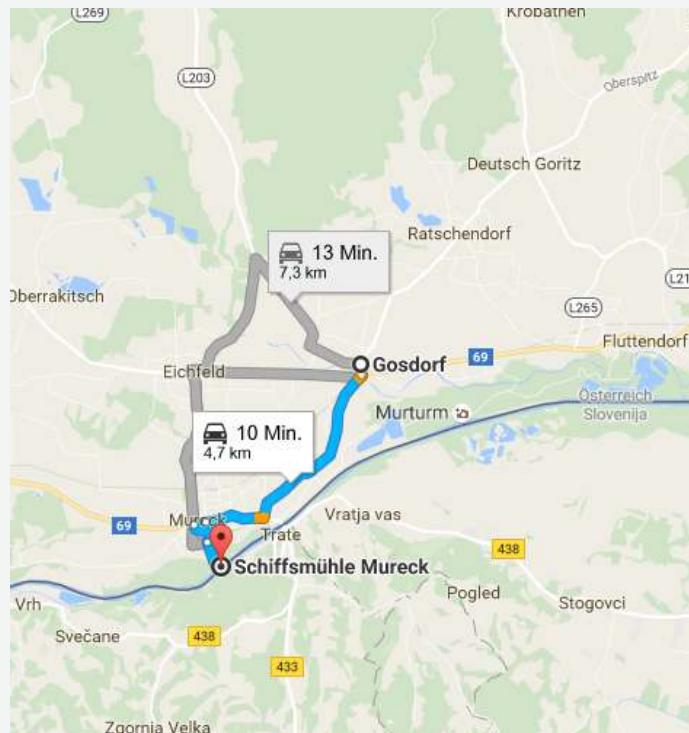


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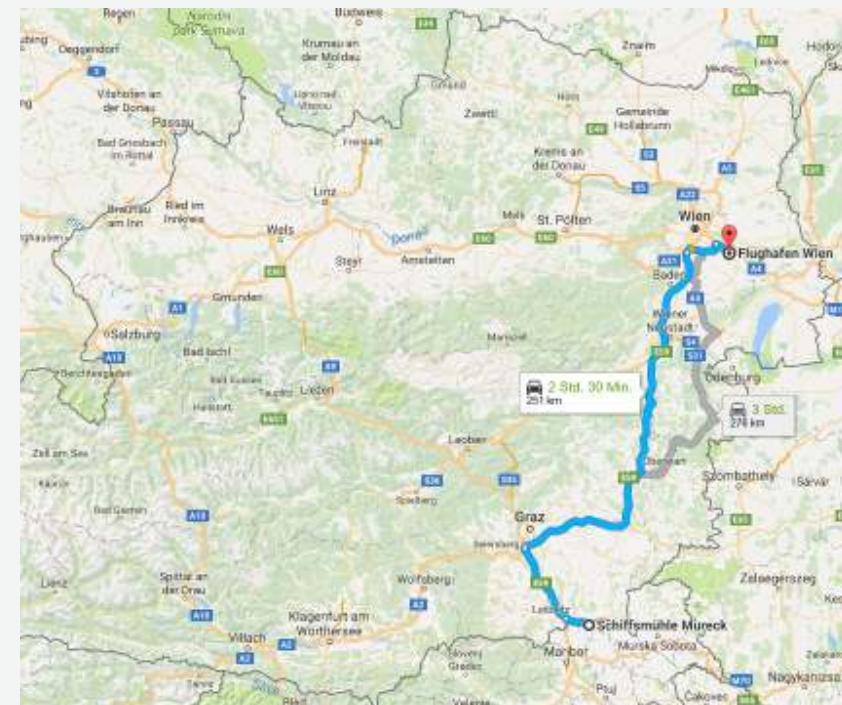
## SECOND DAY - 5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

Lunch (1-2:30 p.m.):  
**Schiffsmühle Mureck**



Departure (2:30 p.m.) to

- Graz Airport (3:30 p.m.)
- Vienna Airport (6.30 p.m.)
- Main railway station Vienna (7-7:30 p.m.)





## **IMPEL** nitrates diffuse pollution from agriculture

**Water Resources Management  
by the State Government  
of Upper Austria**



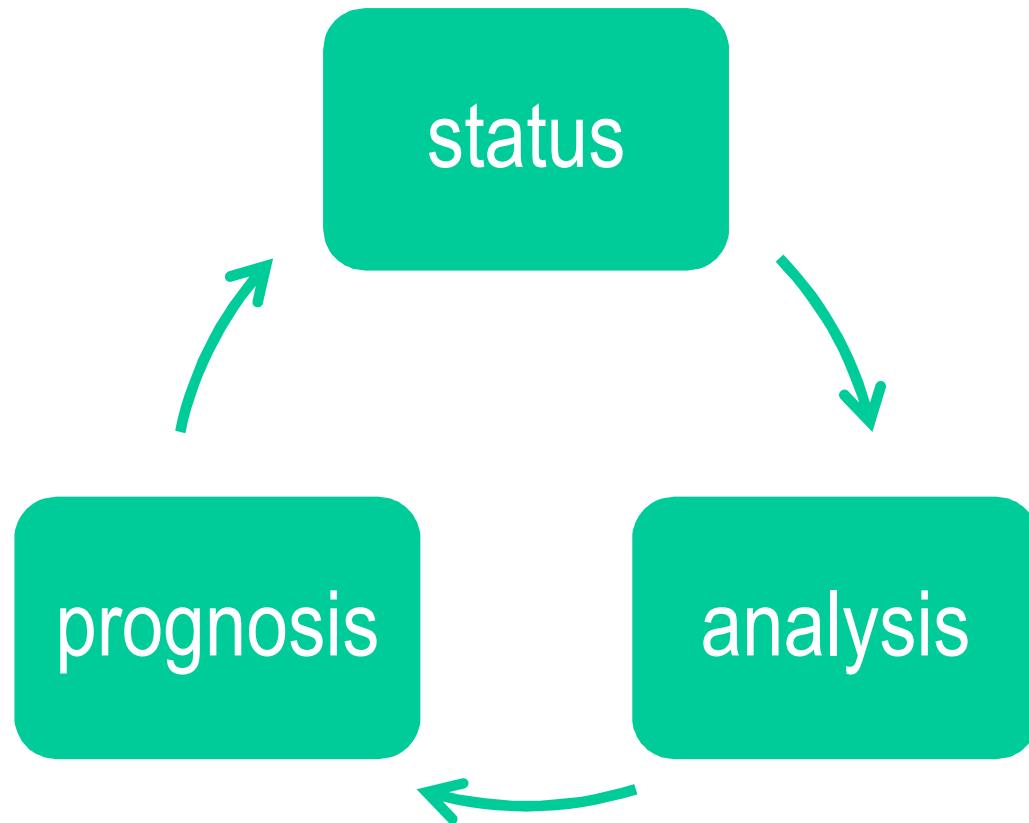
## Water management planning in Upper Austria

- representing the interests of water management planning in any proceedings designated by the Water Law
- strategic planning and coordination of water-related issues
- monitoring development relating to water management





## Monitoring and prognosis of the development of the nutrient situation in Upper Austria

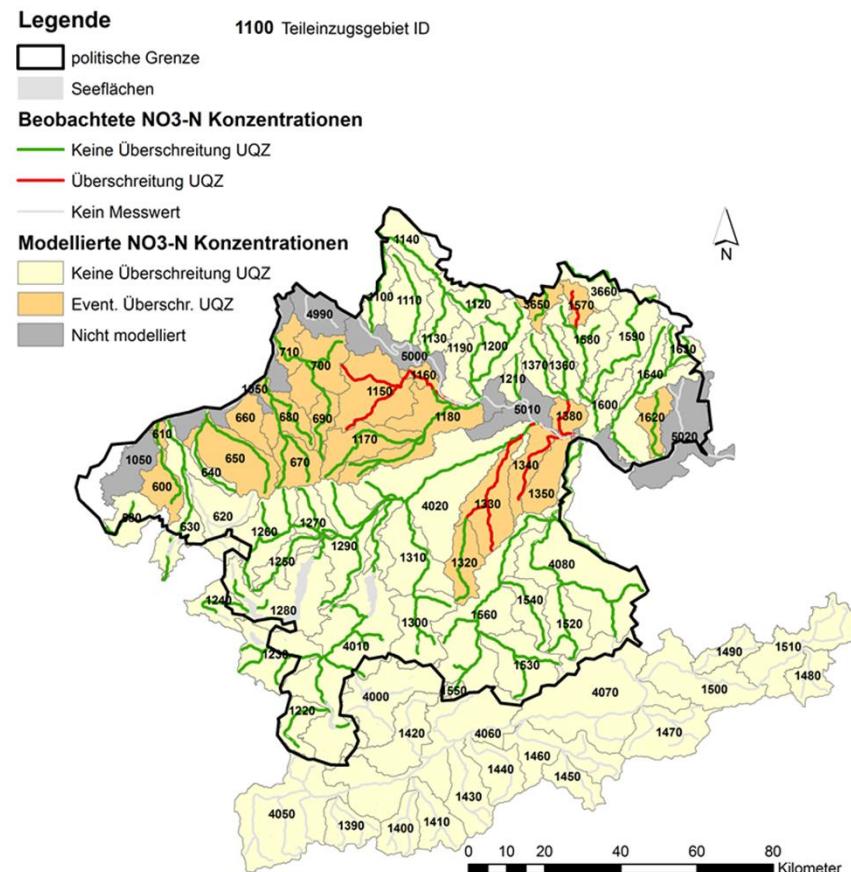




## Status detection

In Upper Austria about 30% of local rivers are endangered of not reaching good status because of nutrient-pollution

- ✓ measuring
- ✓ modelling

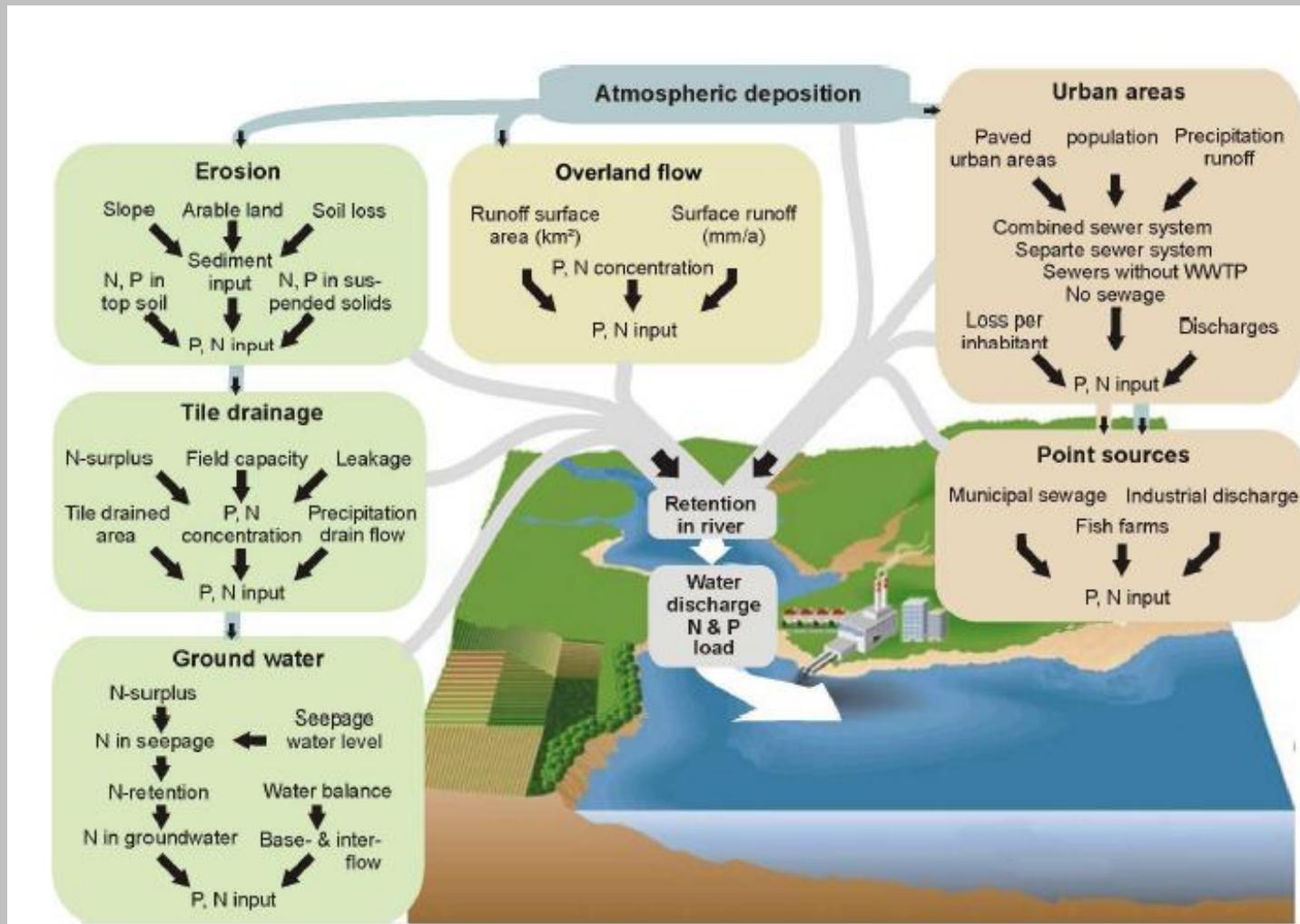




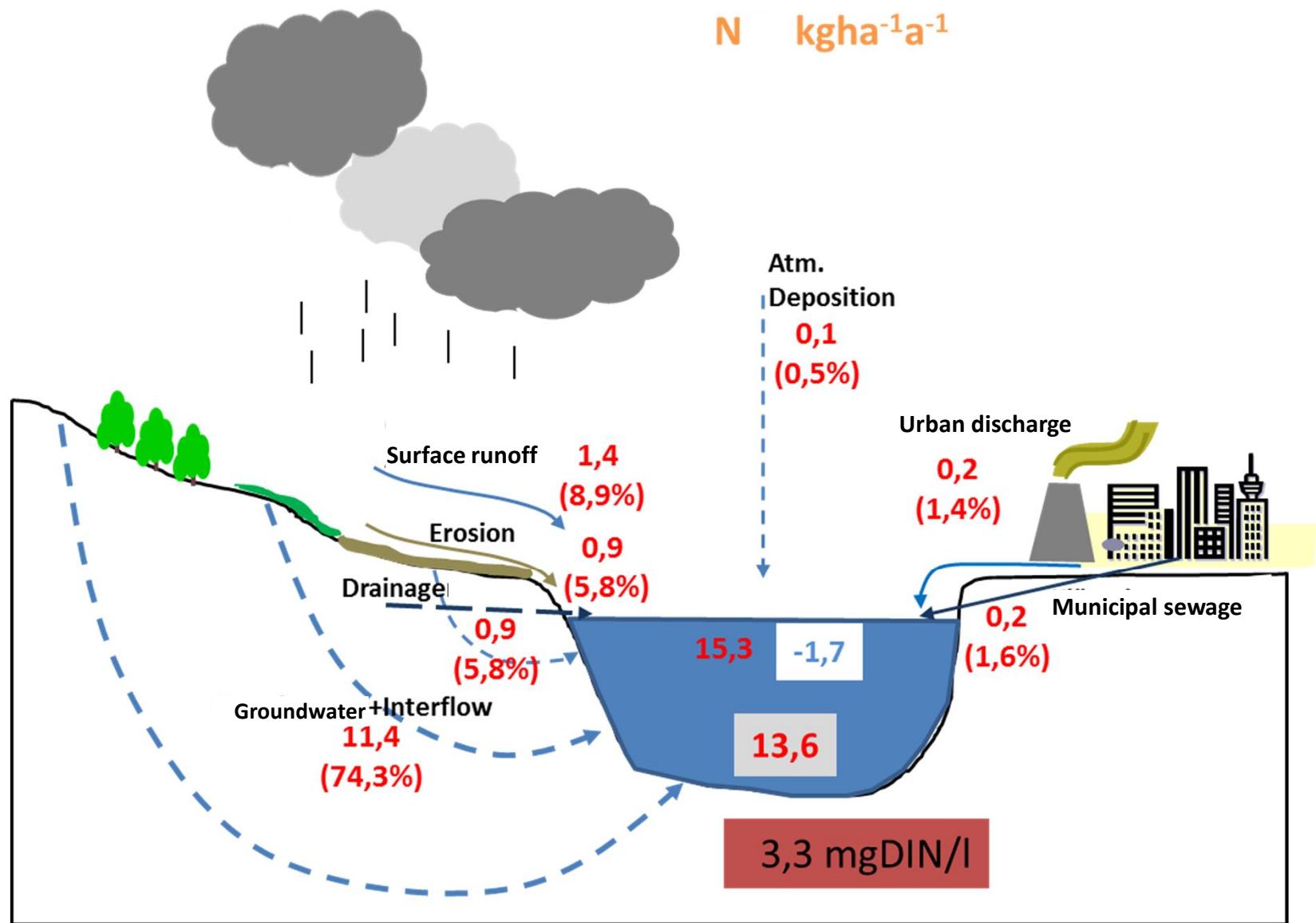
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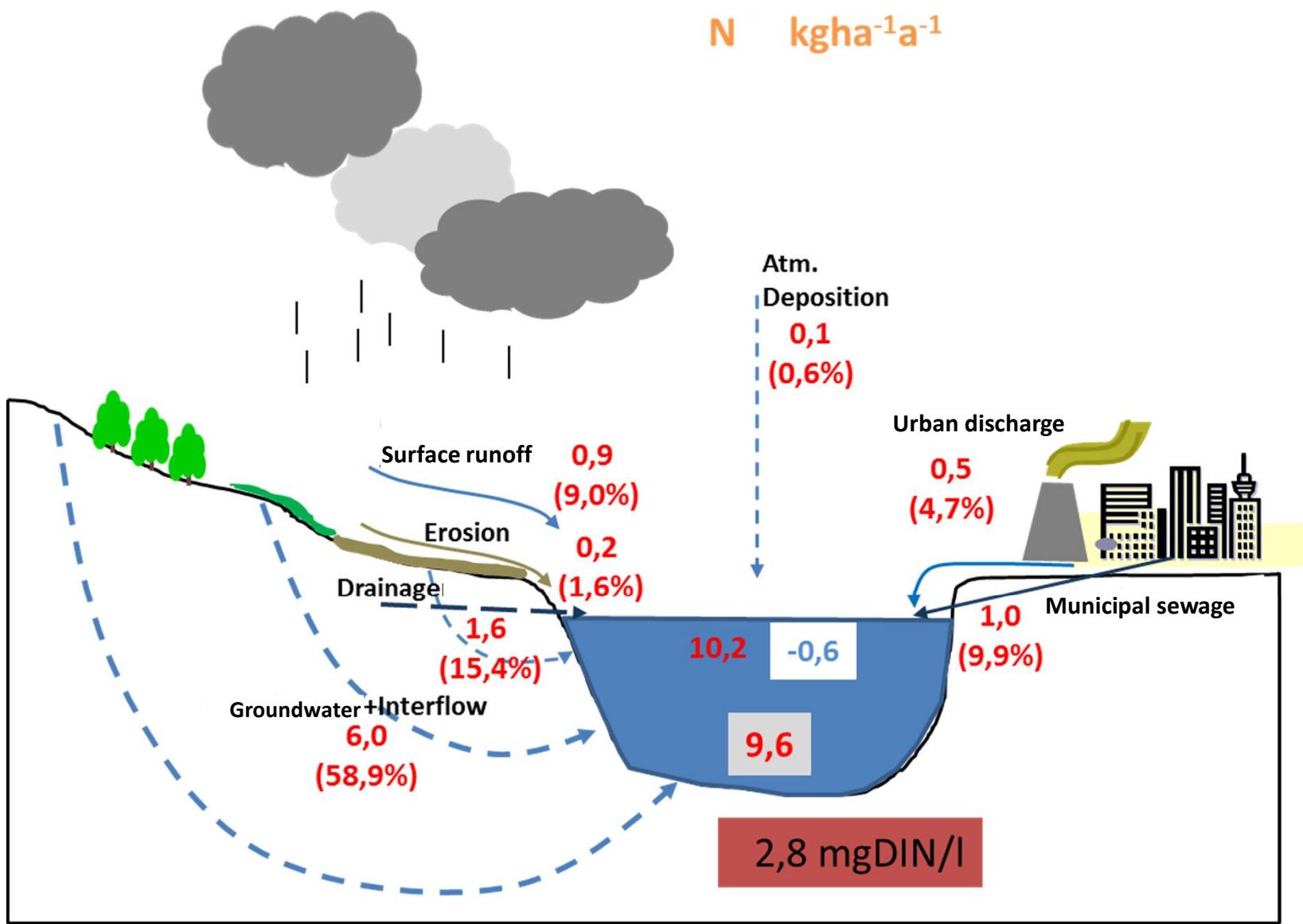
# MONERIS

## MOdelling Nutrient Emissions in River Systems



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## Analysis and prognosis of development

- compare status at different times
- analyse of development in the past
- estimate the contribution of different measures
- estimate the future development (scenarios)
  - where is it likely to achieve the objectives?
  - show different cost-benefit-ratios of a measure for different regions
- define cost-efficient measures for actions



## impact of measures

### Technical potential of effectiveness

- Effectiveness on field scale
- Potential for implementation and relevance under the specific regional circumstances

### ➤ Conception

### Participation

- Participation quota
- Implementation on decisive (sensitive) areas

### ➤ Attractiveness

### Quality of implementation

- Appreciation of measure,
- Capability
- Personal identification

### ➤ Advertisement

### ➤ Regulation

### ➤ Consulting

### ➤ Training

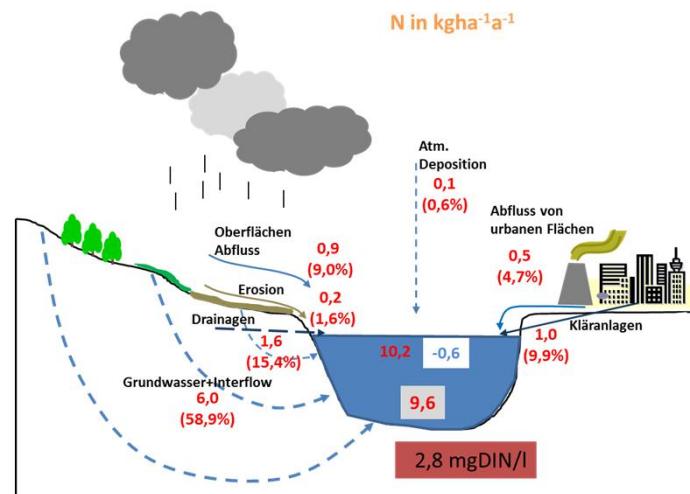




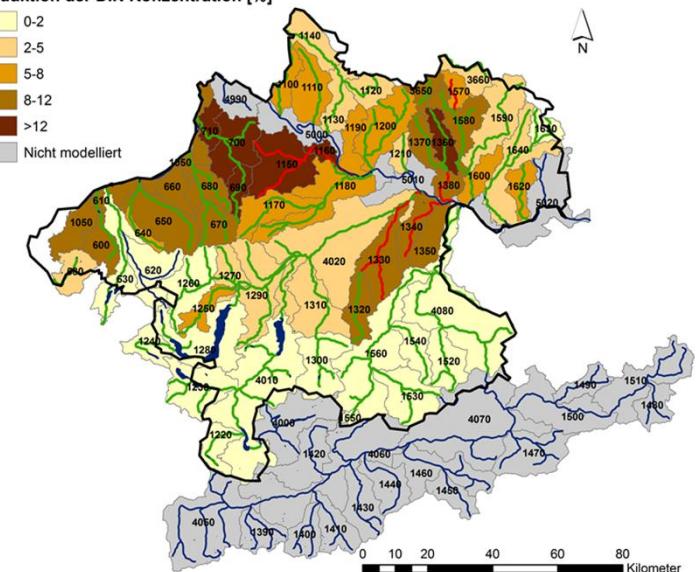
## Summary

- measure + model
- NOT "one measure fits all"
- illustrate + visualize

Mühlviertel (abflussarm) Beispieldregion



Düngung nach Bodenvorrat  
Reduktion der DIN Konzentration [%]





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**Thank you for your attention!**



# Presentation BWSB

04.10.2016, HBLA St. Florian

Sebastian Friedl, Boden.Wasser.Schutz.Beratung, LK OÖ



# Content of the Presentation

- The counsel for soil- and waterprotection
- erosion
- catch crops
- pesticides



# Aims of the Boden.Wasser.Schutz.Beratung

- sustainable soil protection
- securing a sustainable supply of drinking water
- reduction of
  - nitrate pollution in the ground water
  - nutrient pollution in the surface water
  - substances in the surface water caused by erosion
  - pesticide contamination in surface and ground water

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# History BWSB



- early 90ies: Consulting for soilprotection; at the Chamber of Agriculture
- since 2001: Upper austrian consulting for waterprotection; located at the provincial goverment
- 2013: Consolidation
  - located at the Chamber of Agriculture
  - financed by the Province of Upper Austria
- Homepage: [www.bwsb.at](http://www.bwsb.at)
- Newsletter (monthly); registration on the Homepage
- „Boden.Wasser.Schutz.Blatt“ – soil- and waterprotection journal
  - quarterly, 8 pages supplement of „Der Bauer“
  - Journal: Chamber of Agriculture (UA) - Circulation 40.000

# main focus: soilprotection

- catch crops
- liming
- humus management
- crop rotation
- erosion
- recultivation
- tillage
- soil compaction



# main focus: waterprotection

- implementation of the Upper Austrian Pesticide strategy
- consulting for contaminated water suppliers
- fertilizer management
- integrated pest management
- distance requirements near surface waters
- reduction of the phosphate and sediments input



# Consulting

- **working groups for soil- and waterprotection:**  
55 wg's, 45 „Wasserbauern“ – heads of the wg's,  
2.142 members
  
- three-stages approach:
  - **Consultor**
  - **Wasserbauer**
  - **Working group member**



# Consultation

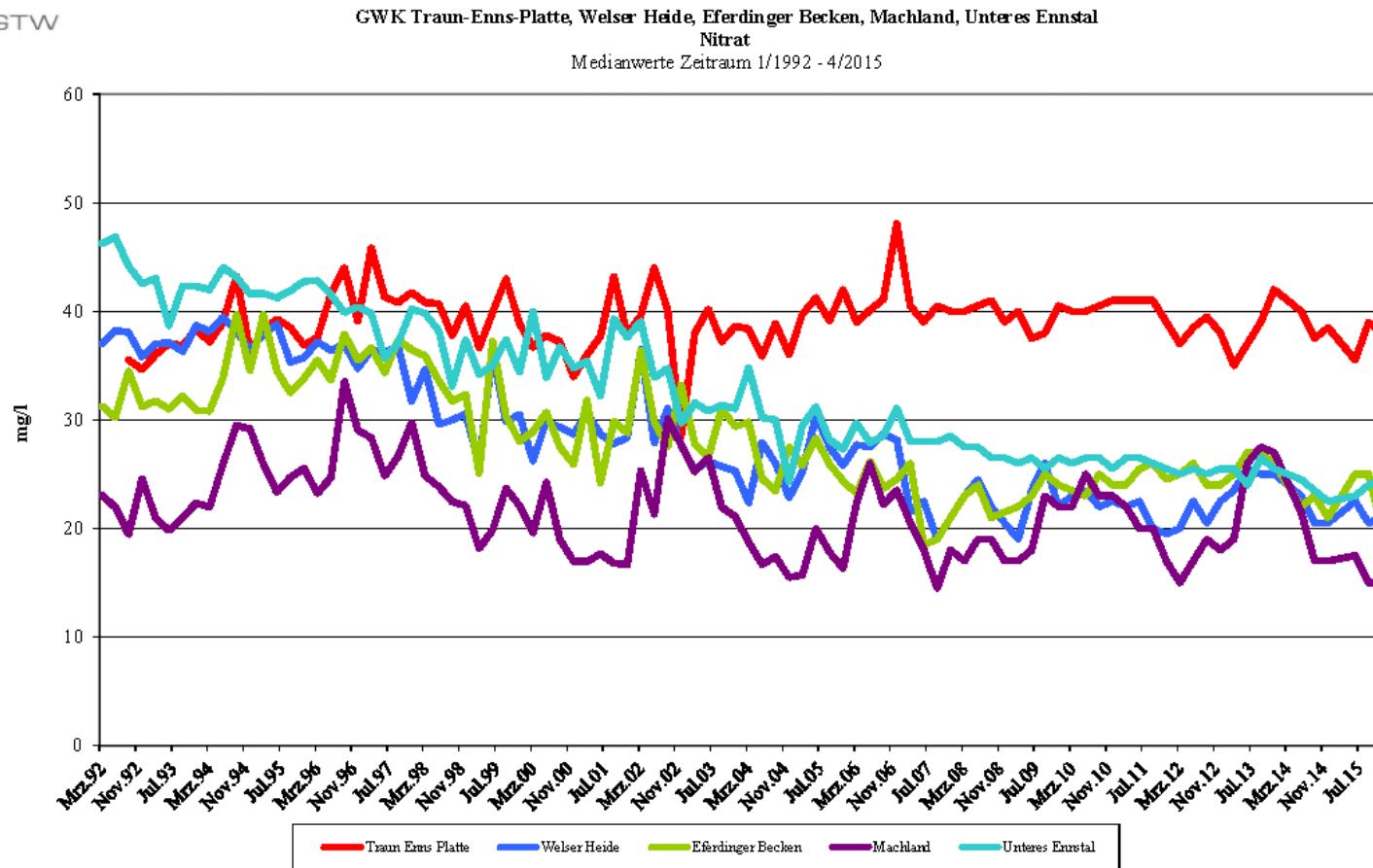
- **personal**
  - meeting at the Chamber o. A.
  - at the farmhouse
  - phone, e-m@il
- **events, conferences**
  - Boden.Wasser.Schutz.Tagung
  - field demonstrations, fairs
  - working groups
  - meetings of local farming communities
  - courses
  - ...



# Nitrate: Main bodies of groundwater in Upper Austria



Auswertungen WGEV/GZÜV - Messdaten



# benefits of catch crops (cover crops, forage crops)

- humification
  - glomalin, mykorrhiza
- biological retention of nitrogen residual
- erosion protection
  - between 2 main crops
  - subsequent crop (mulch layer)
- food for the life in the soil
- Nitrogen through legumes
- insect habitat
- weed suppression



# advantages of mixed catch crops

- better root penetration of different soil layers
  - deep and shallow roots
- higher biomass yield
- better suppression of volunteer grain
- less problems in crop rotation
- longer vegetation period on the field



# field trials with catch crops

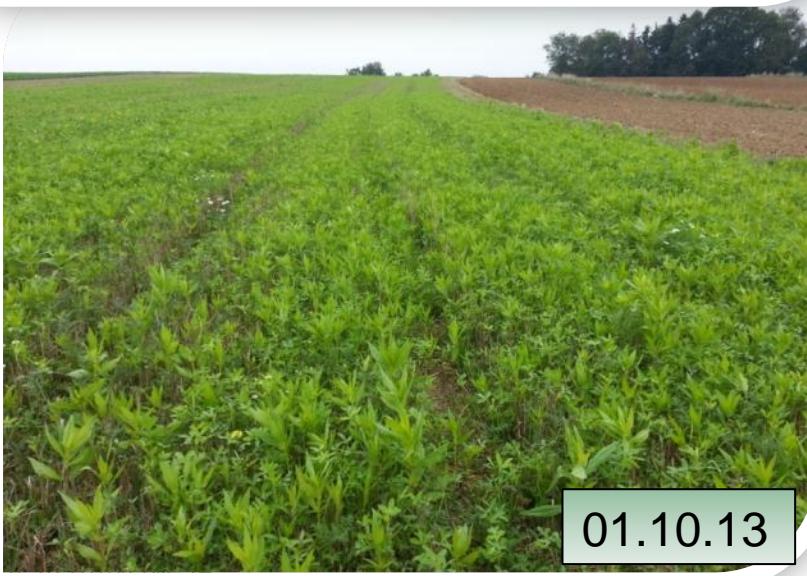
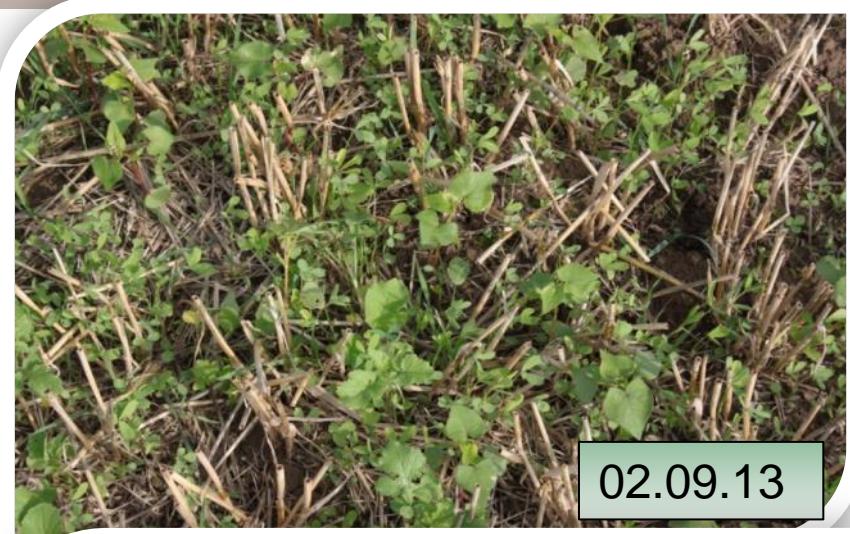


# „Einsaaten“

- sowing of the catch crop before the harvest of the main crop



# winterwheat 2013



# „Mähdruscheinsaat“ - sowing of the catch crop at the harvest of the main crop



# „Mähdruscheinsaat“ 2015 – winter wheat

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## Successful despite a very dry summer!



# „Mähdruscheinsaat 2016“ - rapeseed

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# „Mähdruscheinsaat“ 2016 – winter barley

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# erosion 2016



# erosion protection in practice

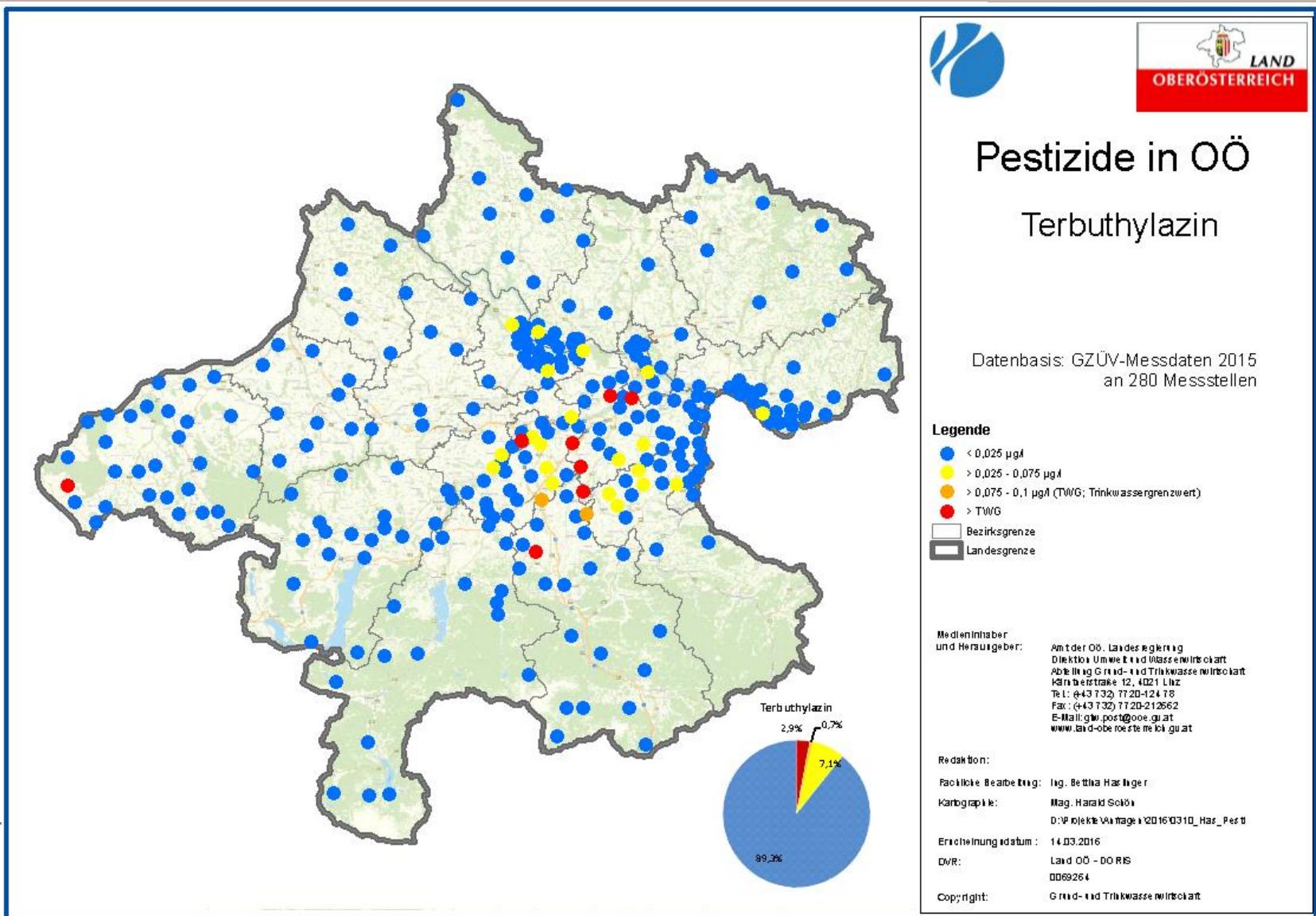
## 2013-2016

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- project together with farmers
- plate with information about the measures
- information for other farmers and the public



# pesticides in groundwater e.g. Terbuthylazin



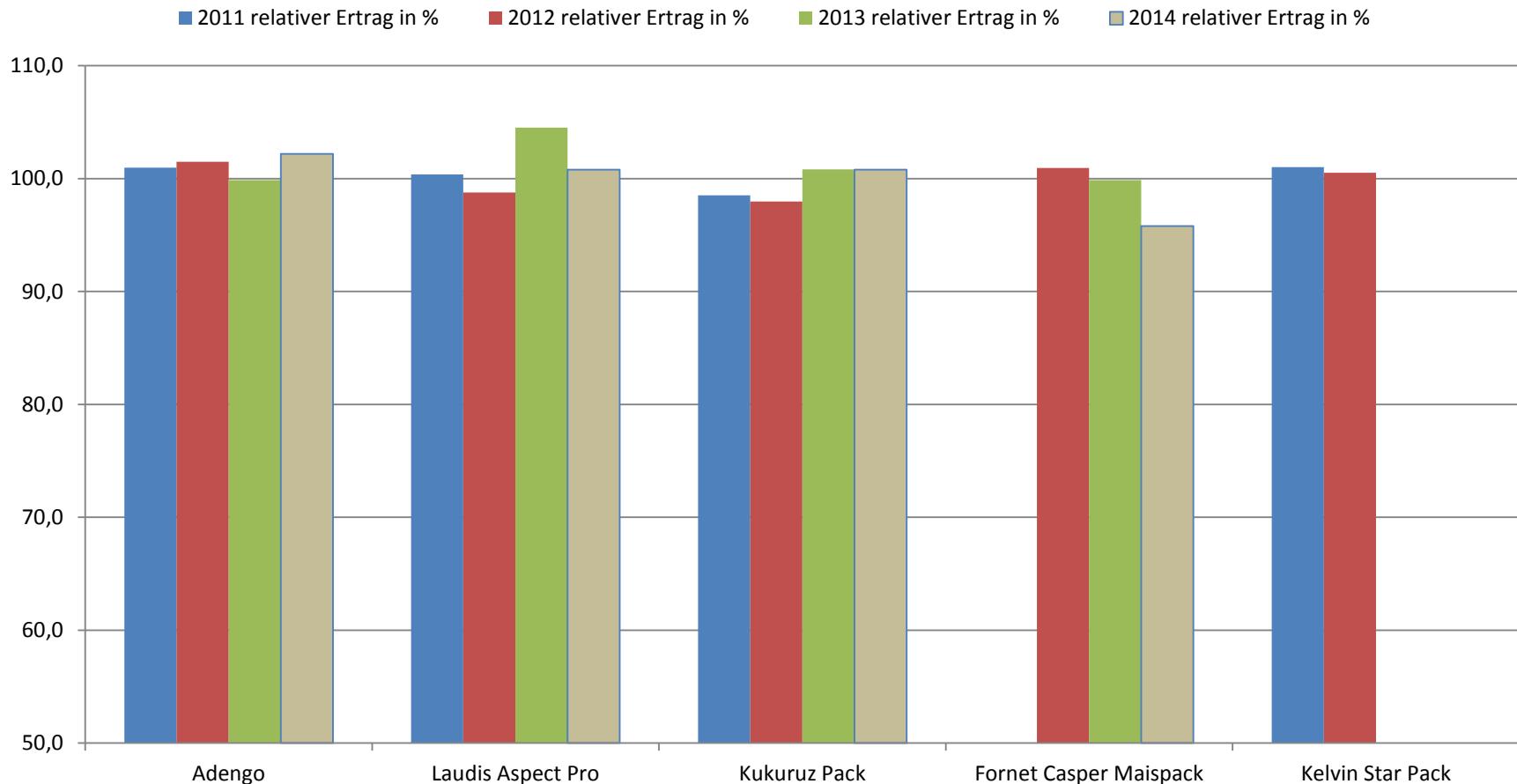
# field trial: maize herbicides – alternatives for terbutylazin

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# field trials: maize herbicides

## 2011 bis 2014 (14 sites)



# problems in the practice



# Information is important!

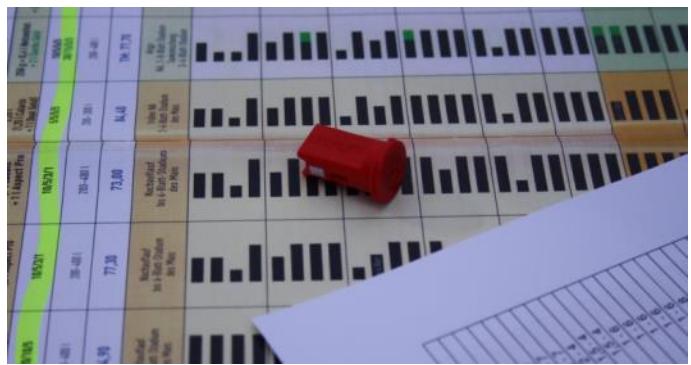
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**Conference about „water-friendly“  
plant protection**



# Information about the newest technique



# distance requirements near surface waters



distance can change, depends on:

- pesticide product, construction of the spray nozzle
- type of water (standing or running)
- vegetation next to the water



**Thank you for  
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# „Does one measure fit all?“ IMPEL Water and Land Team project

Groundwater Protection  
in the Murtal-valley  
(Graz – Bad Radkersburg)

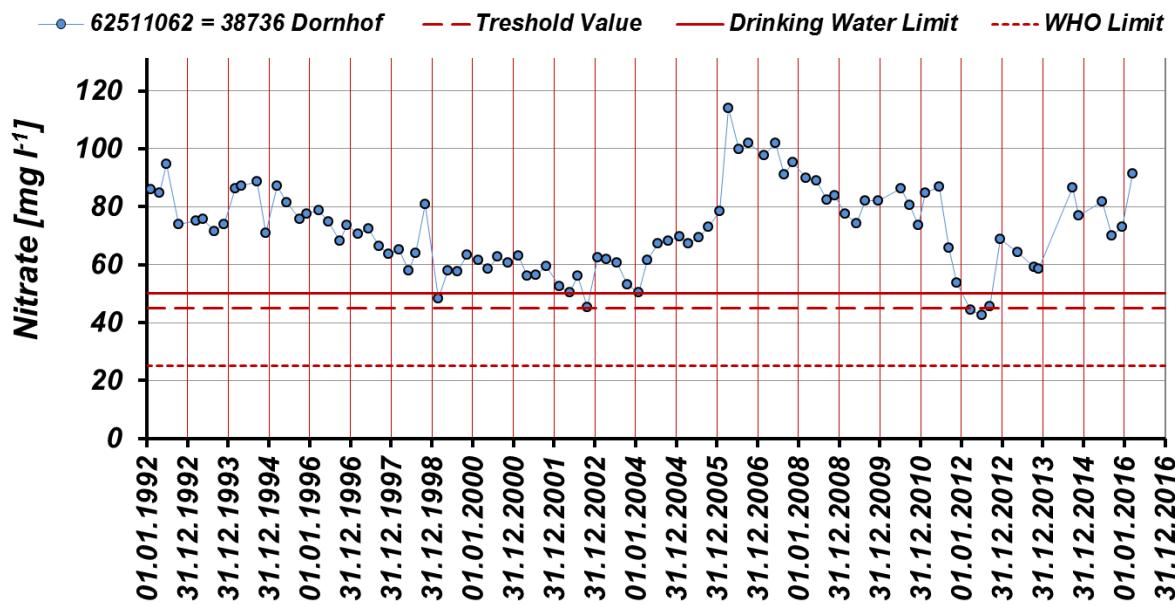
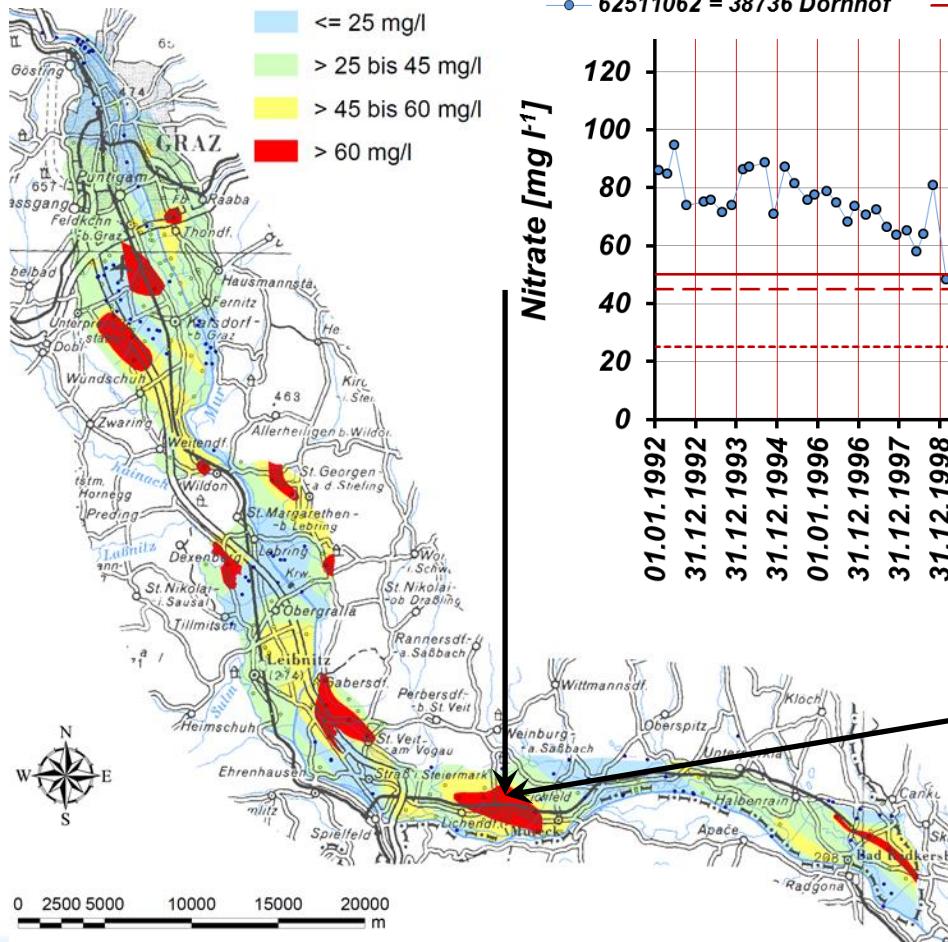
A regional scaled programm

Johann Fank

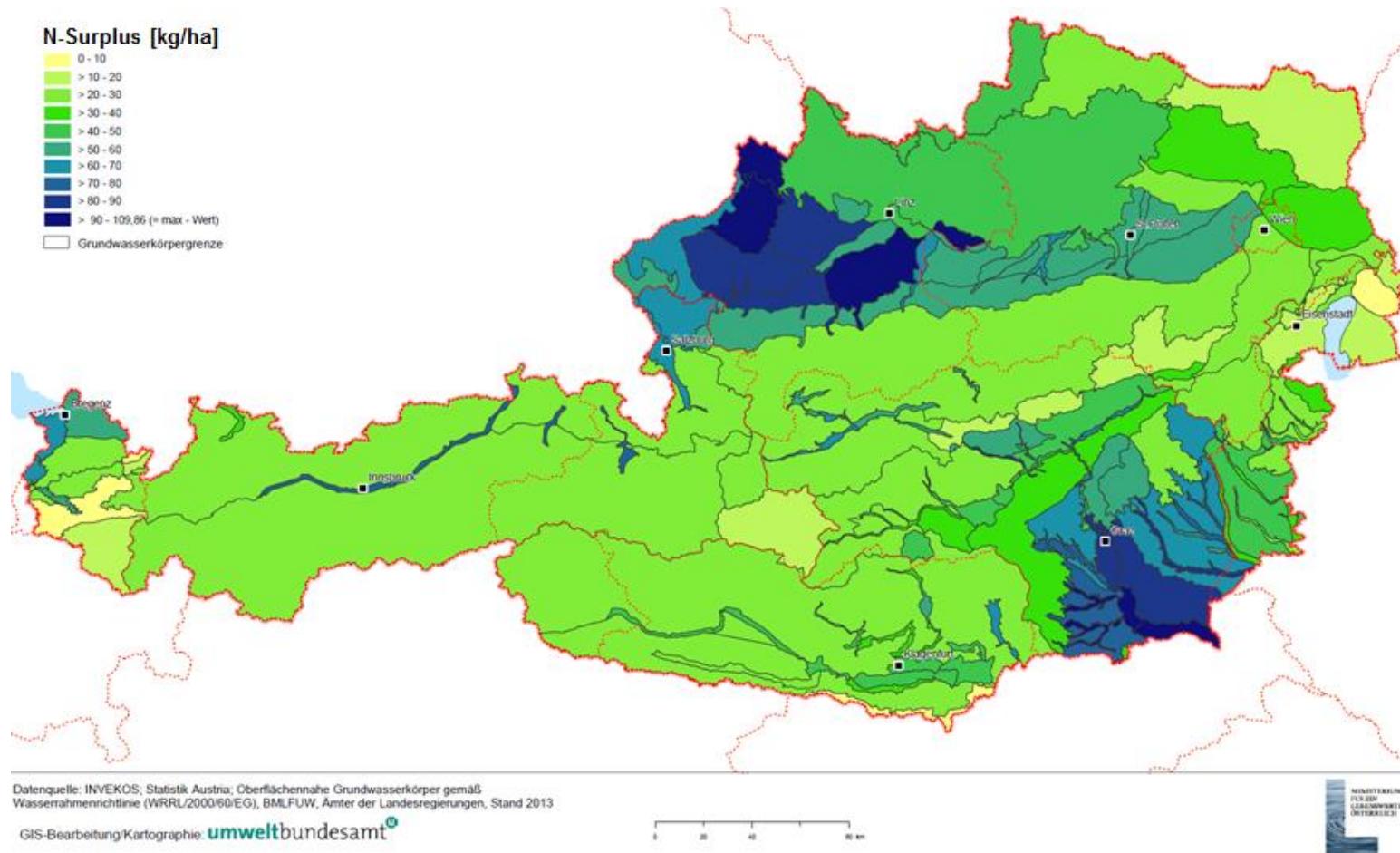
Raaba, 10/05/2016



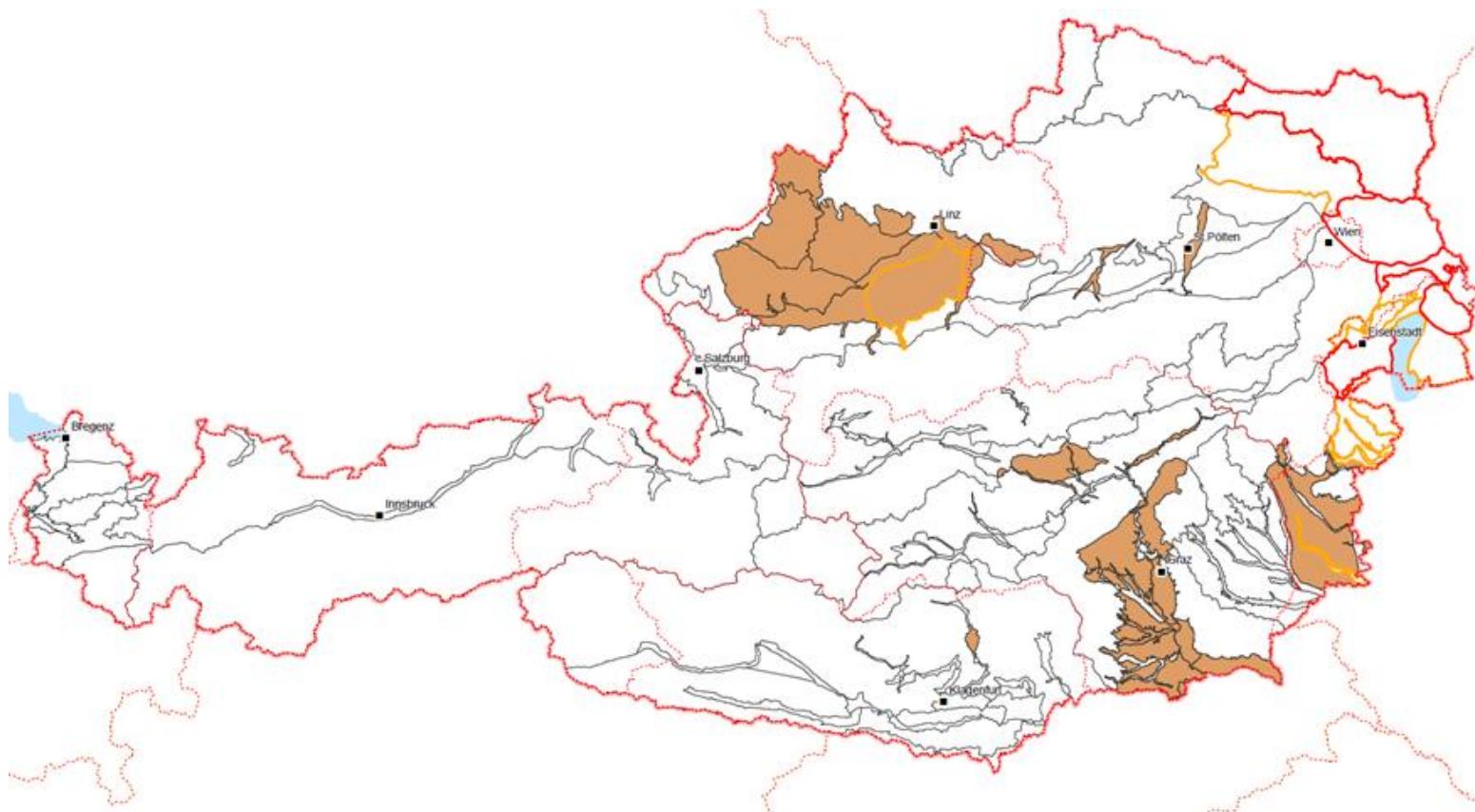
# Nitrate Concentration in Groundwater



# N – Balance for groundwater bodies (2010)



# N – Fertilization on expected „high“ yield



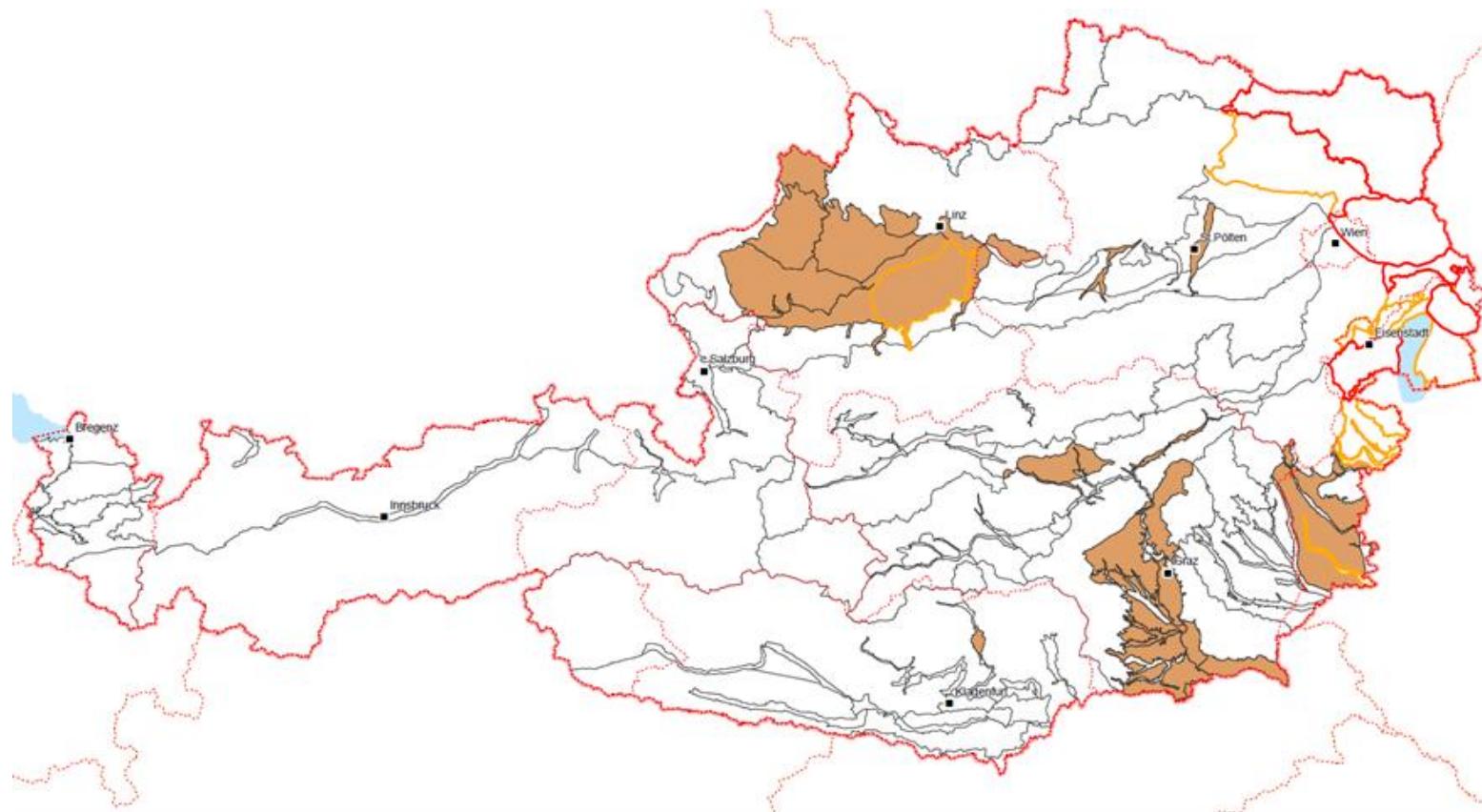
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GIS-Bearbeitung/Kartographie: **umweltbundesamt** 

0 20 40 60 km



# Relation: N-Surplus – „high yield“ Fertilization



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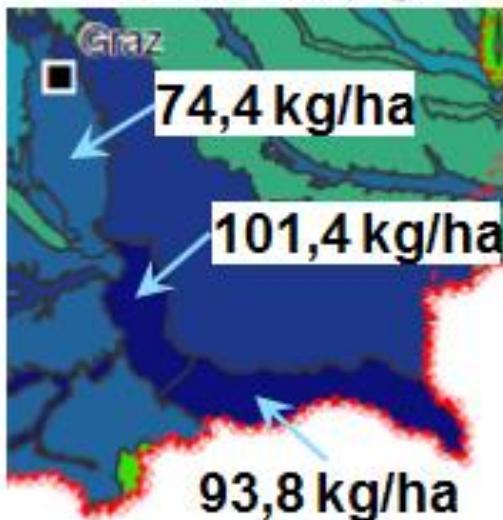
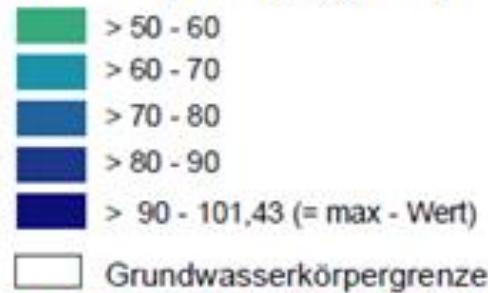
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# N-Balance (2009-2012) in the Murtal valley

## N-Surplus [kg/ha]



### Assumptions

- On a long term scale N-Surplus is transported to the groundwater
- Amount of seepage water is well known
  - measurement
  - water balance evaluation
  - numerical modeling
- Nitrate impact on groundwater from agriculture is calculated:  
 $c\text{NO}_3 [\text{mg/l}] = \text{N-Surplus} [\text{kg/ha}] / \text{Recharge rate} [\text{mm}] * 443$

| Groundwater body | N-Surplus [kg/ha] | cNO <sub>3</sub> (Recharge rate = 250 mm) | cNO <sub>3</sub> (Recharge rate = 300 mm) | cNO <sub>3</sub> (Recharge rate = 350 mm) |
|------------------|-------------------|---|---|---|
| Grazer Feld      | 74                | 132                                       | 110                                       | 94  |
| Leibnitzer Feld  | 101               | 180                                       | 150                                       | 128                                       |
| Unteres Murtal   | 94                | 166                                       | 139                                       | 119                                       |

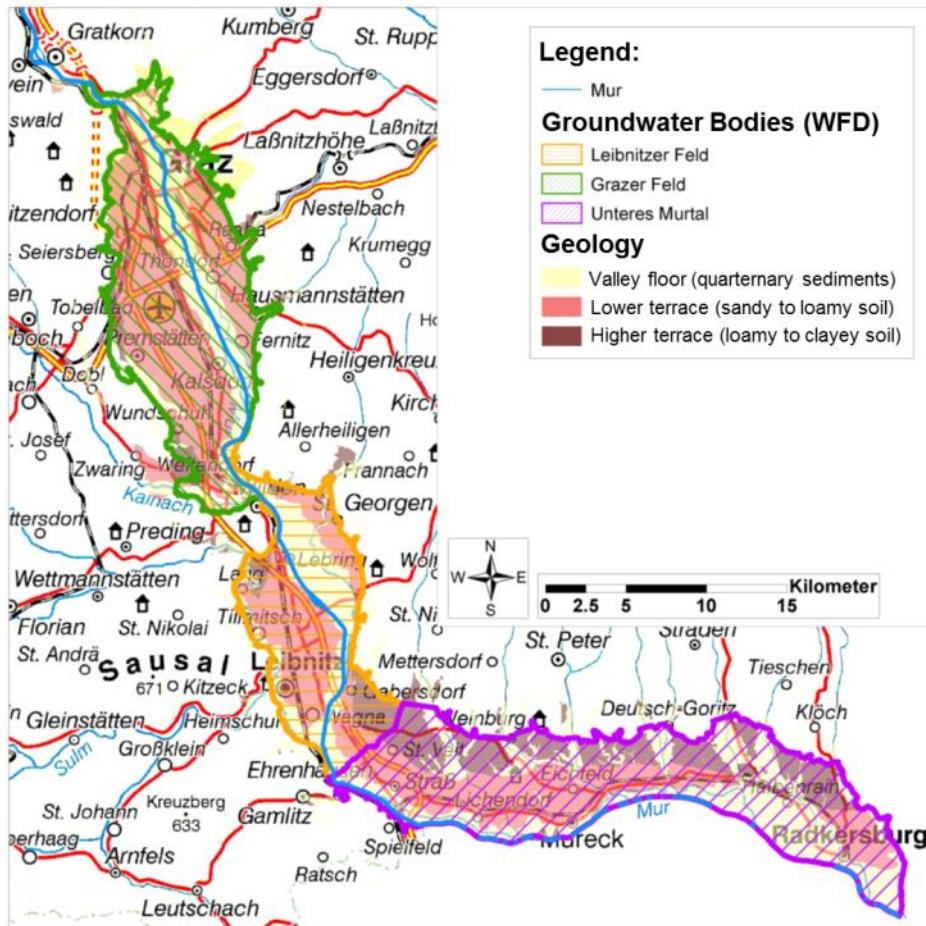
# Styrian Government (4 Departments)

## Agronomic Measures to achieve Groundwater compatible Farming in the Murtal Valley (Graz to Bad Radkersburg)

- **JOANNEUM RESEARCH**,  
Institute of Water Resources Management – Hydrogeology und Geophysics
- **Federal Agency for Water Management**,  
Institute for Land and Water Management Research
- **AGES - Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety Ltd.**,
- Experimental Department of the Styrian Agricultural Schools



# Basics



- Water balance
  - Precipitation 800 – 900 mm/a
  - Groundwater recharge (agriculture) 250 – 350 mm/a
- Agriculture and land use
  - 90 % arable land
  - 70 % Maize (corn) production (increasing trend)
  - Oil pumping (increasing trend)
  - vegetable production (Graz)
- Livestock breeding (pork)
  - Economic concentration
  - Farm fertilizer distribution
- ÖPUL partizipation
  - Fertilizer reduction
  - greening
  - In general only minor partizipation

# Agricultural Test Field „Wagna“

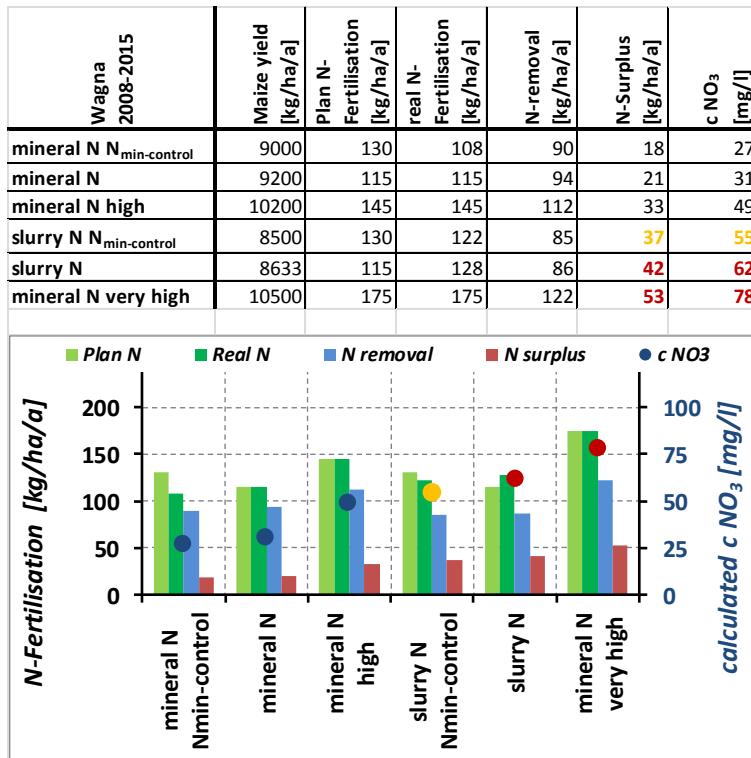


Long Term Investigation (1987-2015) at the „Large Parcels Test Field“ Wagna at sandy to loamy soil (typical for the lower terrace) showed

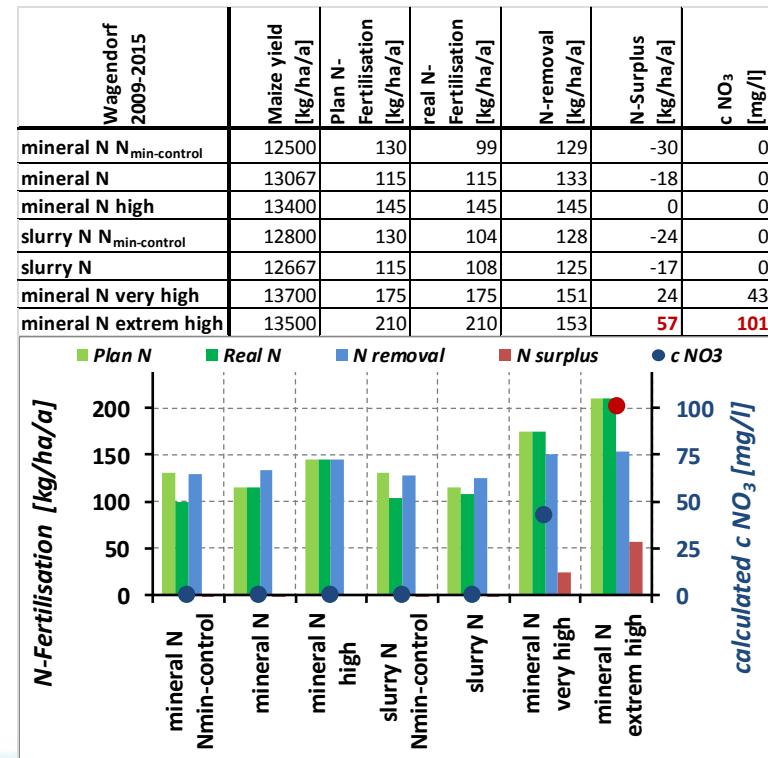
- Maize yield is about 10 000 kg/ha/a (N-Fertilisation between 120 - 145 kg/ha/a); **Water availability** is a very important controlling parameter
- An N-Input/Output-Balancing on different scales (lysimeter, parcel, test field) showed, that – at correct estimation of the expected yield – **N-fertilisation based on the „Guidelines on proper Fertilisation“ is groundwater quality compatible**
- Measured data are suitable for calibration, validation and application of **numerical models** on water movement and solute transport in the unsaturated zone

# Experiments with increasing N-Fertilisation

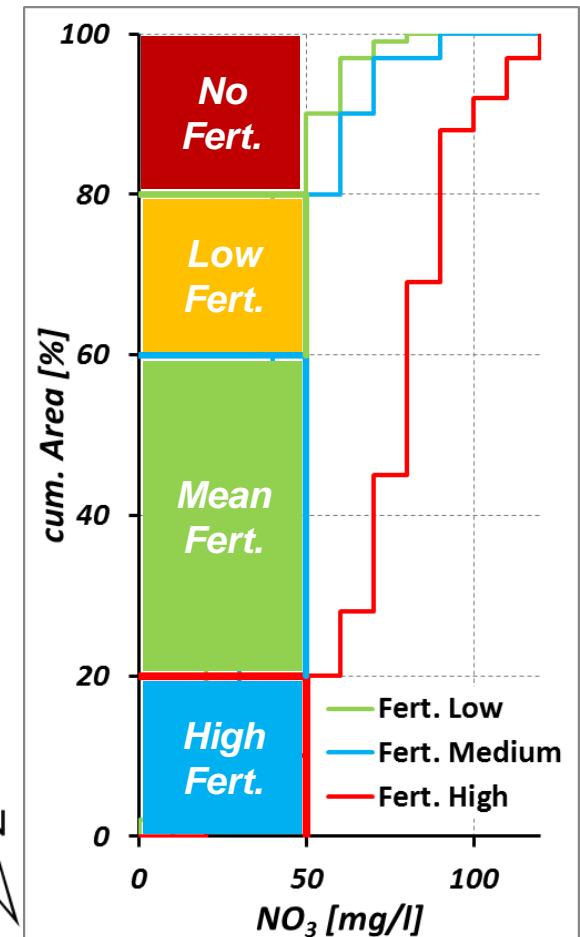
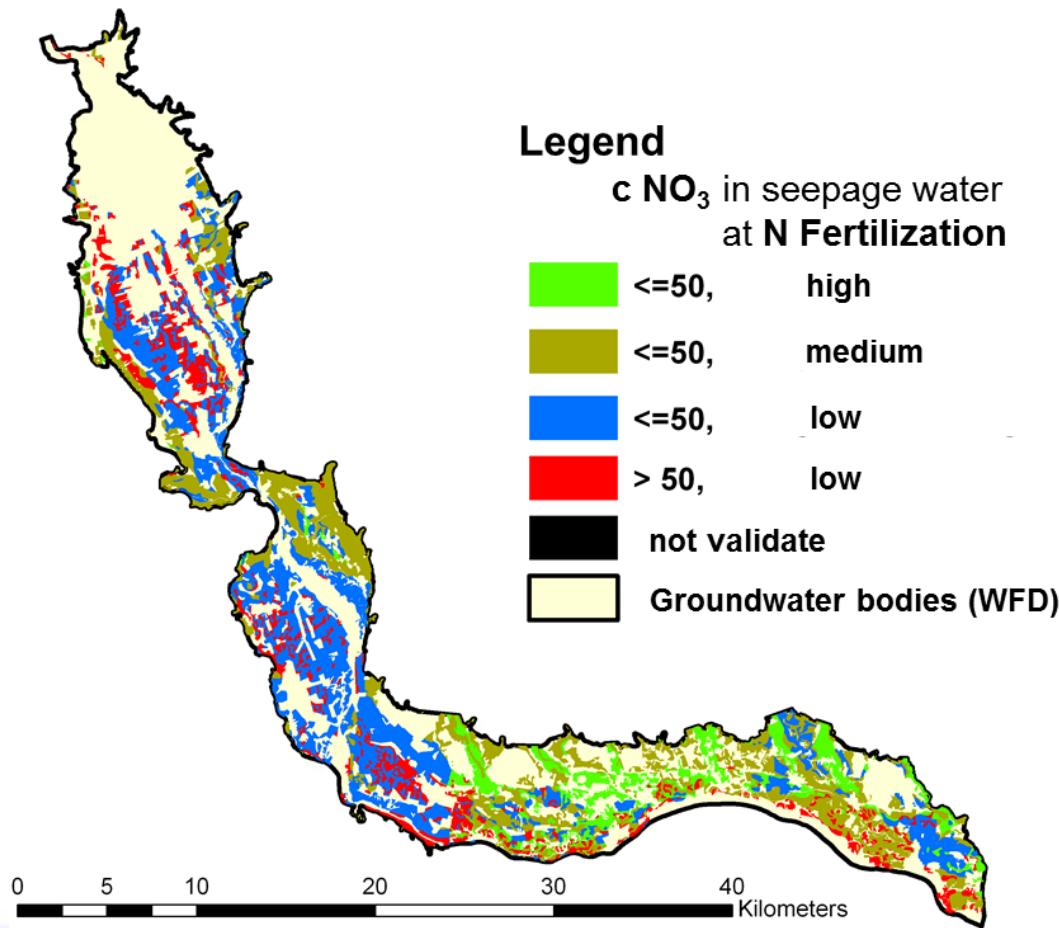
## Wagna (low terrace): sandy to loamy soils (low depth)



## Wagendorf (higher terrace): loamy to clayey soils (high depth)



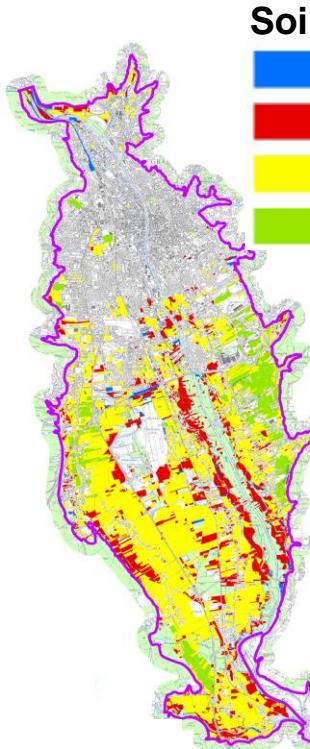
# Numerical Simulation of N-leachate



# Main results and their implementation in the groundwater protection regulation

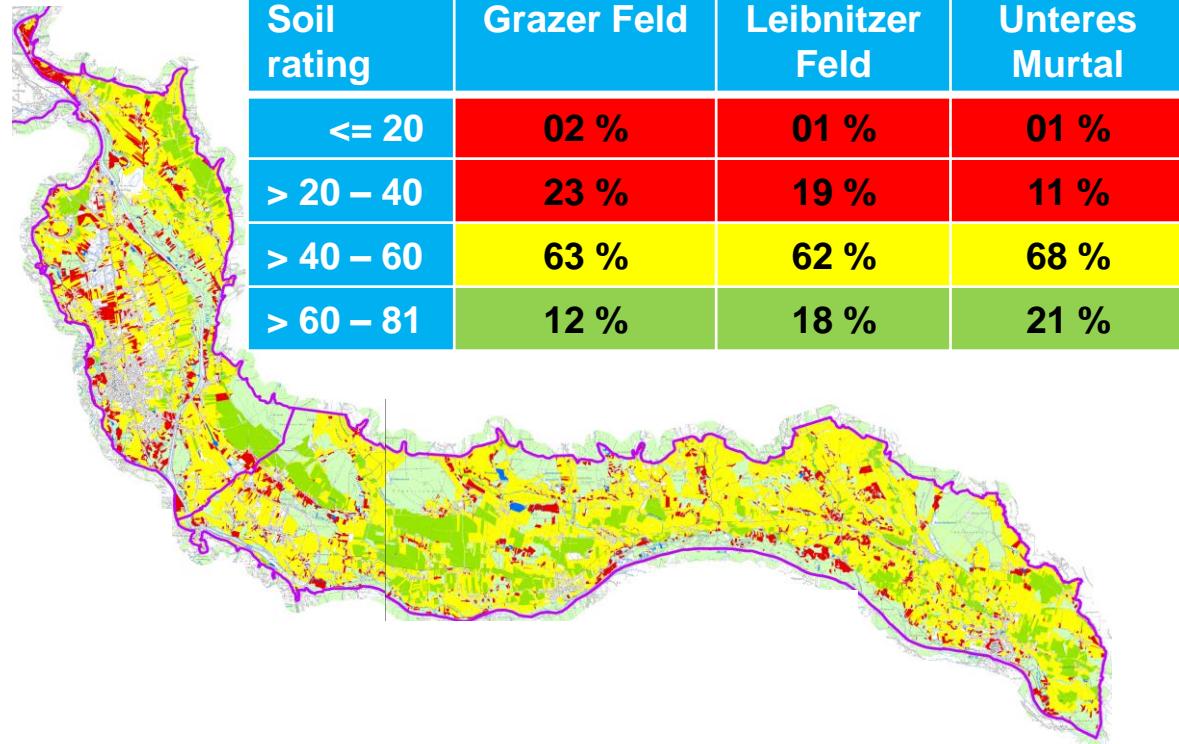
- Winter greening for the whole area
- N-Fertilization based on the „Guidelines on proper Fertilisation“ – mean expected yield
- Record requirement
  - Yield, N-content in crops, N-fertilization
  - to solve N-balance equation on field scale to hold the equation:  
 $N\text{-Import} - N\text{-Export} \leq 25 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1} \text{ a}^{-1}$
- No N-fertilization (slurry) in autumn
- N-fertilization short before crop growing
- N-Fertilization crop dependent fixed for some periods

# Soil Rating for Yield Power



**Soil rating**

- 0-20
- 21-40
- 41-60
- 61-81



| Soil rating | Grazer Feld | Leibnitzer Feld | Unteres Murtal |
|-------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <= 20       | 02 %        | 01 %            | 01 %           |
| > 20 – 40   | 23 %        | 19 %            | 11 %           |
| > 40 – 60   | 63 %        | 62 %            | 68 %           |
| > 60 – 81   | 12 %        | 18 %            | 21 %           |

# Status

- Groundwater Protection Regulation for the Murtal is effective from 01.01.2016
- Actual Discussion
  - Monitoring of the groundwater protection regulation
  - Attendent evaluation of the impact of measures on groundwater
  - Management of record recommendation in databases and GIS
  - Management of slurry
    - Storage capacity
    - Distribution management
  - Shifting of soil rating boundaries

| Soil rating | Grazer Feld | Leibnitzer Feld | Unteres Murtal |
|-------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <= 20       | 02 %        | 01 %            | 01 %           |
| > 20 – 30   | 03 %        | 04 %            | 01 %           |
| > 40 – 50   | 63 %        | 48 %            | 40 %           |
| > 50 – 81   | 32 %        | 47 %            | 58 %           |



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# Manure & soil nutrients management

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***Does one measure fit all?***

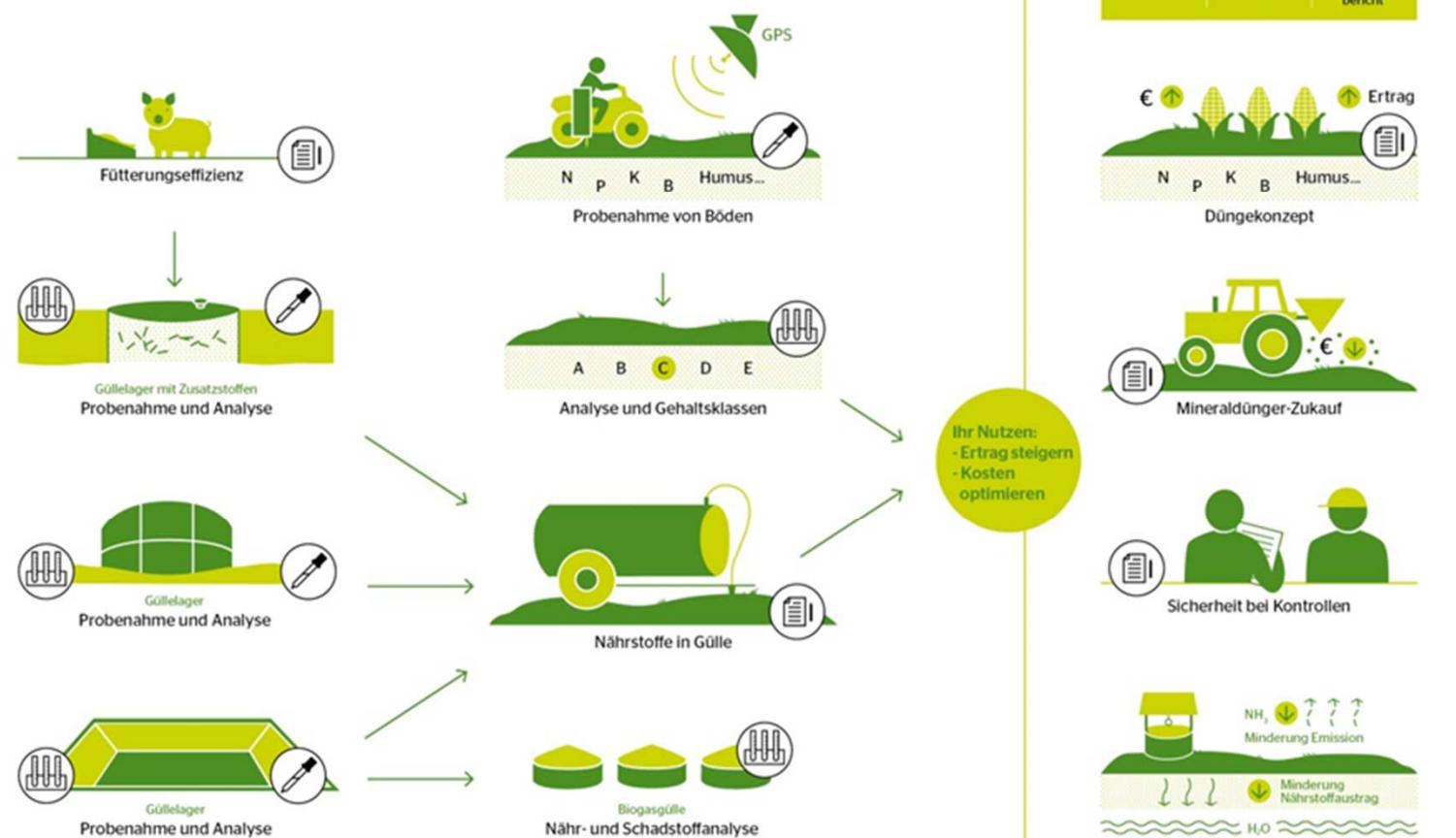
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## Nährstoffmanagement für die Landwirtschaft





## Range of activities within the field of inspections



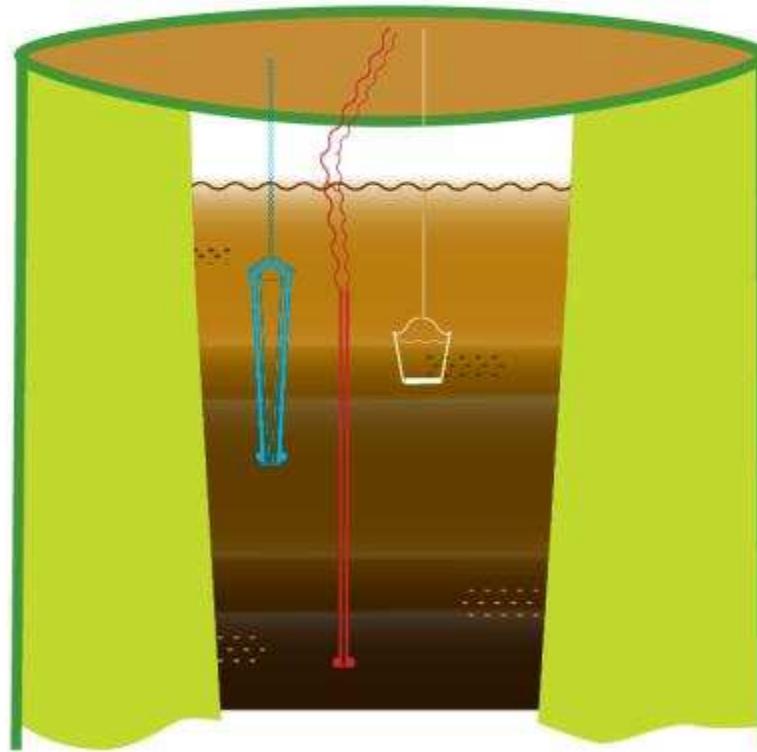


## Scope of work, object of inspection: slurry

- 165 (2014)  
**203 (2015)**  
Inspection orders according to EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012
- 190 (2014)  
**225 (2015)**  
sampled slurry pits in accordance with EN ISO 5667-13:2011
- 165.803 m<sup>3</sup> (2014)  
**252.193 m<sup>3</sup> (2015)**  
present in the slurry pits, at the time of sampling



## Sampling from pits, tanks and reservoirs



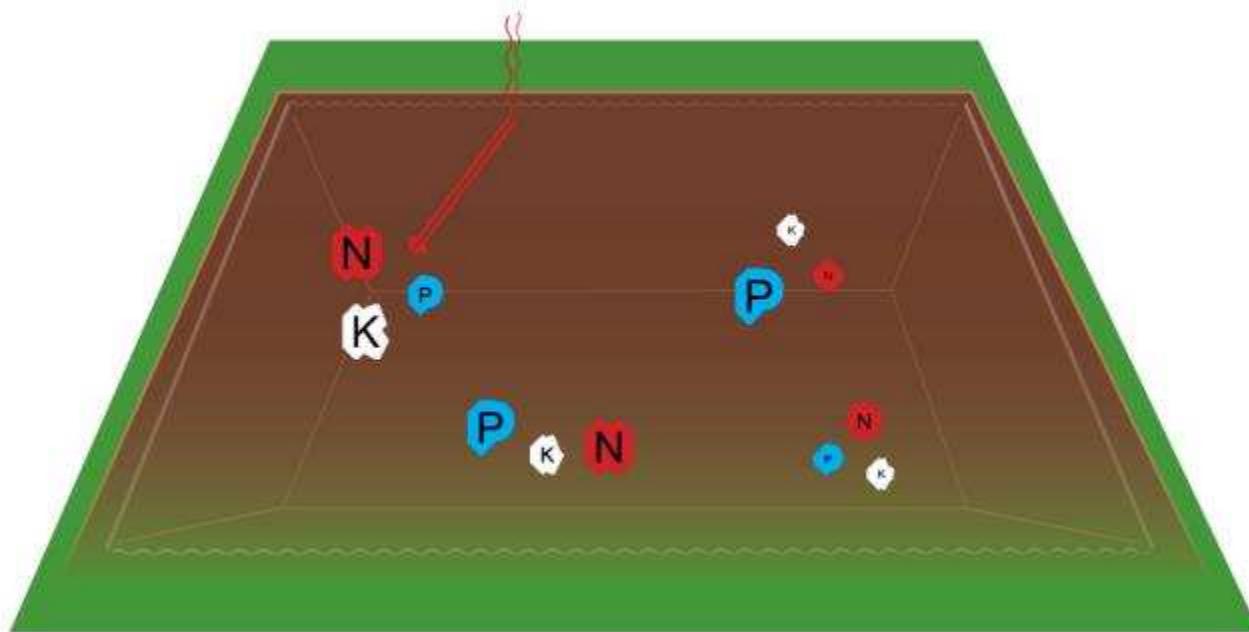






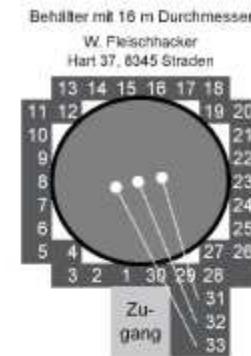


## Sampling from pits, tanks and reservoirs





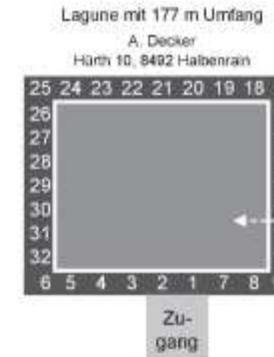
| Bestimmung der notwendigen Mindestanzahl von Einzelproben zur Erstellung einer Mischprobe lt. Pkt. 6.1.4.2 ÖNORM EN ISO 5667-13 |    |          |                |                        |                                      |                                      |                                      |                               |
|---|----|----------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Probennummer  |    | pH       | Temp.<br>in °C | % Trocken-<br>substanz | NH <sub>4</sub> -N kg/m <sup>3</sup> | NH <sub>4</sub> -N kg/m <sup>3</sup> | NH <sub>4</sub> -N kg/m <sup>3</sup> | Phosphor<br>kg/m <sup>3</sup> |
|   |    |          |                |                        | Messung Nr. 1                        | Messung Nr. 2                        | Mittelwert                           | Kalium<br>kg/m <sup>3</sup>   |
| 2978776   | 1  | 13.08.12 | 7,39           | 23,6                   | 3,13                                 | 1,55                                 | 1,50                                 | 0,72                          |
| 2978776   | 2  | 13.08.12 | 7,41           | 23,3                   | 3,72                                 | 1,55                                 | 1,60                                 | 0,94                          |
| 2978776   | 3  | 13.08.12 | 7,47           | 23,4                   | 3,68                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,50                                 | 0,87                          |
| 2978776   | 4  | 13.08.12 | 7,56           | 23,6                   | 2,01                                 | 1,50                                 | 1,50                                 | 0,34                          |
| 2978776   | 5  | 13.08.12 | 7,54           | 23,5                   | 3,50                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,55                                 | 0,90                          |
| 2978776   | 6  | 13.08.12 | 7,55           | 23,3                   | 3,40                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,60                                 | 0,82                          |
| 2978776   | 7  | 13.08.12 | 7,52           | 23,3                   | 4,20                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,20                          |
| 2978776   | 8  | 13.08.12 | 7,57           | 23,3                   | 4,35                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,75                                 | 1,28                          |
| 2978776   | 9  | 13.08.12 | 7,49           | 23,8                   | 4,65                                 | 1,75                                 | 1,80                                 | 1,36                          |
| 2978776   | 10 | 13.08.12 | 7,54           | 23,6                   | 3,32                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,75                                 | 0,90                          |
| 2978776   | 11 | 13.08.12 | 7,55           | 23,5                   | 3,78                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,11                          |
| 2978776   | 12 | 13.08.12 | 7,52           | 23,7                   | 4,00                                 | 1,75                                 | 1,85                                 | 1,26                          |
| 2978776   | 13 | 13.08.12 | 7,55           | 24,1                   | 2,93                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,70                                 | 0,80                          |
| 2978776   | 14 | 13.08.12 | 7,56           | 23,9                   | 2,84                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,70                                 | 0,83                          |
| 2978776   | 15 | 13.08.12 | 7,55           | 24,0                   | 2,78                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,70                                 | 0,79                          |
| 2978776   | 16 | 13.08.12 | 7,50           | 24,1                   | 2,89                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,70                                 | 0,87                          |
| 2978776   | 17 | 13.08.12 | 7,56           | 24,3                   | 4,33                                 | 1,75                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,41                          |
| 2978776   | 18 | 13.08.12 | 7,58           | 22,9                   | 3,57                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,05                          |
| 2978776   | 19 | 13.08.12 | 7,55           | 23,8                   | 3,63                                 | 1,65                                 | 1,85                                 | 1,06                          |
| 2978776   | 20 | 13.08.12 | 7,57           | 24,0                   | 3,81                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,75                                 | 1,04                          |
| 2978776   | 21 | 13.08.12 | 7,56           | 24,5                   | 4,10                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,16                          |
| 2978776   | 22 | 13.08.12 | 7,55           | 24,1                   | 4,28                                 | 1,75                                 | 1,80                                 | 1,26                          |
| 2978776   | 23 | 13.08.12 | 7,55           | 24,1                   | 3,80                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,05                          |
| 2978776   | 24 | 13.08.12 | 7,53           | 24,2                   | 6,79                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,70                                 | 2,02                          |
| 2978776   | 25 | 13.08.12 | 7,54           | 24,7                   | 2,82                                 | 1,50                                 | 1,50                                 | 0,68                          |
| 2978776   | 26 | 13.08.12 | 7,60           | 24,7                   | 1,82                                 | 1,45                                 | 1,50                                 | 0,34                          |
| 2978776   | 27 | 13.08.12 | 7,54           | 25,0                   | 2,07                                 | 1,50                                 | 1,40                                 | 0,44                          |
| 2978776   | 28 | 13.08.12 | 7,48           | 24,9                   | 3,56                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,75                                 | 0,84                          |
| 2978776   | 29 | 13.08.12 | 7,51           | 24,4                   | 2,84                                 | 1,50                                 | 1,45                                 | 0,69                          |
| 2978776   | 30 | 13.08.12 | 7,55           | 24,3                   | 2,29                                 | 1,60                                 | 1,60                                 | 0,56                          |
| 2978776   | 31 | 13.08.12 | 7,46           | 24,8                   | 1,90                                 | 1,45                                 | 1,45                                 | 0,42                          |
| 2978776   | 32 | 13.08.12 | 7,47           | 24,3                   | 2,02                                 | 1,50                                 | 1,60                                 | 0,32                          |
| 2978776   | 33 | 13.08.12 | 7,44           | 24,7                   | 3,85                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,70                                 | 1,10                          |
| z-Wert<br>95%-Bereich Normalverteilung  |    |          |                |                        | 1,96                                 | 1,96                                 | 1,96                                 | 1,96                          |
| Standardabweichung<br>s in kg/m <sup>3</sup>  |    |          |                |                        | 0,10                                 | 0,10                                 | 0,36                                 | 0,13                          |
| Maximal zulässiger Fehler (laut eigenen Vorgaben)<br>E in kg/m <sup>3</sup>   |    |          |                |                        | 0,12                                 | 0,12                                 | 0,45                                 | 0,15                          |
| Mindestanzahl von Einzelproben<br>zur Erstellung einer Mischprobe   |    |          |                |                        | 2,91                                 | 2,74                                 | 2,45                                 | 2,81                          |
|   |    |          |                |                        | 3                                    | 3                                    | 3                                    | 3                             |



Minimum number of samples  
according to EN ISO 5667-13



| Bestimmung der notwendigen Mindestanzahl von Einzelproben zur Erstellung einer Mischprobe lt. Pkt. 6.1.4.2 ÖNORM EN ISO 5667-13 |          |                |                        |                                      |               |  |                               |                             |  |
|---|----------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Probennummer  | ph       | Temp.<br>in °C | % Trocken-<br>substanz | NH <sub>3</sub> -N kg/m <sup>3</sup> |               | NH <sub>4</sub> -N kg/m <sup>3</sup><br>Mittelwert | Phosphor<br>kg/m <sup>3</sup> | Kalium<br>kg/m <sup>3</sup> |  |
|   |          |                |                        | Messung Nr. 1                        | Messung Nr. 2 |  |                               |                             |  |
| 2932261 1   | 08.08.12 | 7,74           | 24,5                   | 3,28                                 | 2,30          | 2,30   | 1,08                          | 1,86                        |  |
| 2932261 2   | 08.08.12 | 7,68           | 24,3                   | 4,48                                 | 2,20          | 2,30   | 1,21                          | 1,89                        |  |
| 2932261 3   | 08.08.12 | 7,70           | 24,3                   | 4,02                                 | 2,10          | 2,10   | 0,93                          | 1,83                        |  |
| 2932261 4   | 08.08.12 | 7,70           | 24,2                   | 5,19                                 | 2,20          | 2,20   | 1,29                          | 1,51                        |  |
| 2932261 5   | 08.08.12 | 7,71           | 24,4                   | 5,12                                 | 2,30          | 2,25   | 1,30                          | 1,76                        |  |
| 2932261 6   | 08.08.12 | 7,72           | 24,3                   | 4,95                                 | 2,25          | 2,20   | 1,21                          | 1,70                        |  |
| 2932261 7   | 08.08.12 | 7,73           | 24,4                   | 4,10                                 | 2,60          | 2,50   | 1,68                          | 1,83                        |  |
| 2932261 8   | 08.08.12 | 7,68           | 24,5                   | 5,85                                 | 2,90          | 2,90   | 2,43                          | 1,80                        |  |
| 2932261 9   | 08.08.12 | 7,72           | 24,5                   | 4,78                                 | 2,85          | 2,80   | 2,09                          | 1,79                        |  |
| 2932261 10  | 08.08.12 | 7,68           | 24,3                   | 5,88                                 | 3,10          | 3,15   | 2,57                          | 1,76                        |  |
| 2932261 11  | 08.08.12 | 7,72           | 24,2                   | 4,29                                 | 2,70          | 2,55   | 1,81                          | 1,90                        |  |
| 2932261 12  | 08.08.12 | 7,70           | 24,4                   | 4,99                                 | 2,85          | 2,90   | 2,13                          | 1,77                        |  |
| 2932261 13  | 08.08.12 | 7,69           | 24,5                   | 4,58                                 | 2,65          | 2,65   | 1,90                          | 1,83                        |  |
| 2932261 14  | 08.08.12 | 7,58           | 25,4                   | 5,57                                 | 2,80          | 2,80   | 2,44                          | 1,78                        |  |
| 2932261 15  | 08.08.12 | 7,82           | 25,0                   | 5,58                                 | 2,90          | 2,90   | 2,48                          | 1,77                        |  |
| 2932261 16  | 08.08.12 | 7,58           | 25,3                   | 5,84                                 | 2,90          | 2,90   | 2,52                          | 1,72                        |  |
| 2932261 17  | 08.08.12 | 7,62           | 25,1                   | 5,18                                 | 2,80          | 2,80   | 2,32                          | 1,91                        |  |
| 2932261 18  | 08.08.12 | 7,70           | 25,2                   | 3,59                                 | 2,50          | 2,50   | 1,53                          | 1,88                        |  |
| 2932261 19  | 08.08.12 | 7,85           | 24,9                   | 5,03                                 | 2,80          | 2,80   | 2,12                          | 1,75                        |  |
| 2932261 20  | 08.08.12 | 7,64           | 24,8                   | 5,59                                 | 2,90          | 3,00   | 2,63                          | 1,88                        |  |
| 2932261 21  | 08.08.12 | 7,70           | 25,0                   | 4,23                                 | 2,65          | 2,65   | 1,74                          | 1,93                        |  |
| 2932261 22  | 08.08.12 | 7,68           | 25,4                   | 4,04                                 | 2,60          | 2,50   | 1,43                          | 1,85                        |  |
| 2932261 23  | 08.08.12 | 7,88           | 24,7                   | 4,31                                 | 2,50          | 2,60   | 1,72                          | 2,03                        |  |
| 2932261 24  | 08.08.12 | 7,69           | 25,1                   | 4,41                                 | 2,65          | 2,50   | 1,82                          | 1,84                        |  |
| 2932261 25  | 08.08.12 | 7,67           | 25,5                   | 4,29                                 | 2,50          | 2,50   | 1,63                          | 1,84                        |  |
| 2932261 26  | 08.08.12 | 7,68           | 25,6                   | 3,54                                 | 2,40          | 2,40   | 1,24                          | 1,78                        |  |
| 2932261 27  | 08.08.12 | 7,67           | 25,3                   | 4,20                                 | 2,50          | 2,50   | 1,28                          | 1,81                        |  |
| 2932261 28  | 08.08.12 | 7,68           | 25,3                   | 5,01                                 | 2,30          | 2,30   | 1,36                          | 1,74                        |  |
| 2932261 29  | 08.08.12 | 7,70           | 25,5                   | 3,91                                 | 1,95          | 2,05   | 2,00                          | 1,84                        |  |
| 2932261 30  | 08.08.12 | 7,68           | 25,6                   | 4,93                                 | 2,20          | 2,20   | 1,34                          | 1,79                        |  |
| 2932261 31  | 08.08.12 | 7,60           | 25,5                   | 6,55                                 | 2,30          | 2,30   | 1,92                          | 1,69                        |  |
| 2932261 32  | 08.08.12 | 7,70           | 25,7                   | 2,73                                 | 1,90          | 2,00   | 0,54                          | 1,83                        |  |
| Z-Wert<br>95%-Bereich Normalverteilung  |          |                |                        | 1,96                                 | 1,96          | 1,96   | 1,96                          |                             |  |
| Standardabweichung<br>s in kg/m <sup>3</sup>  |          |                |                        | 0,30                                 | 0,30          | 0,55   | 0,10                          |                             |  |
| Maximal zulässiger Fehler (laut eigenen Vorgaben)<br>E in kg/m <sup>3</sup>   |          |                |                        | 0,21                                 | 0,21          | 0,40   | 0,07                          |                             |  |
| Mindestanzahl von Einzelproben<br>zur Erstellung einer Mischprobe   |          |                |                        | 7,95                                 | 7,96          | 7,32   | 7,18                          |                             |  |
|   |          |                |                        | 8                                    | 8             | 8  | 8                             |                             |  |



Minimum number of samples  
according to EN ISO 5667-13



## Range of activities within the field of inspections





## Scope of work, object of inspection: soil

- 127 (2014)

**221 (2015)**

Inspection orders according to EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012

- 1.501 (2014)

**2.802 (2015)**

Soil samples in accordance with ÖNORMEN L 1055, 1057 or 1056

- 1.396 (2014) **2.384 (2015)** agriculture (ÖNORM L 1055)

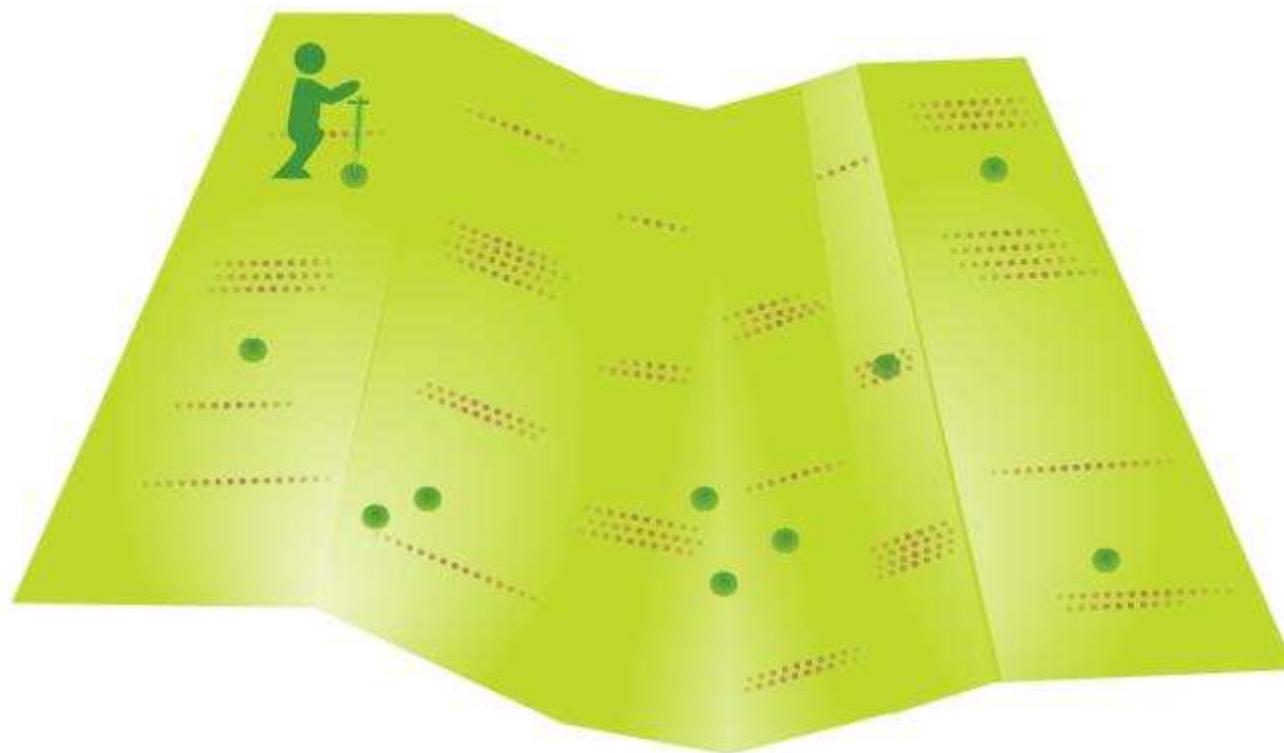
102 (2014) **361 (2015)** arbori-, viniculture (ÖNORM L 1057)

3 (2014) **57 (2015)** pasture (ÖNORM L 1056)





## Typical sampling procedure, carried out by farmers

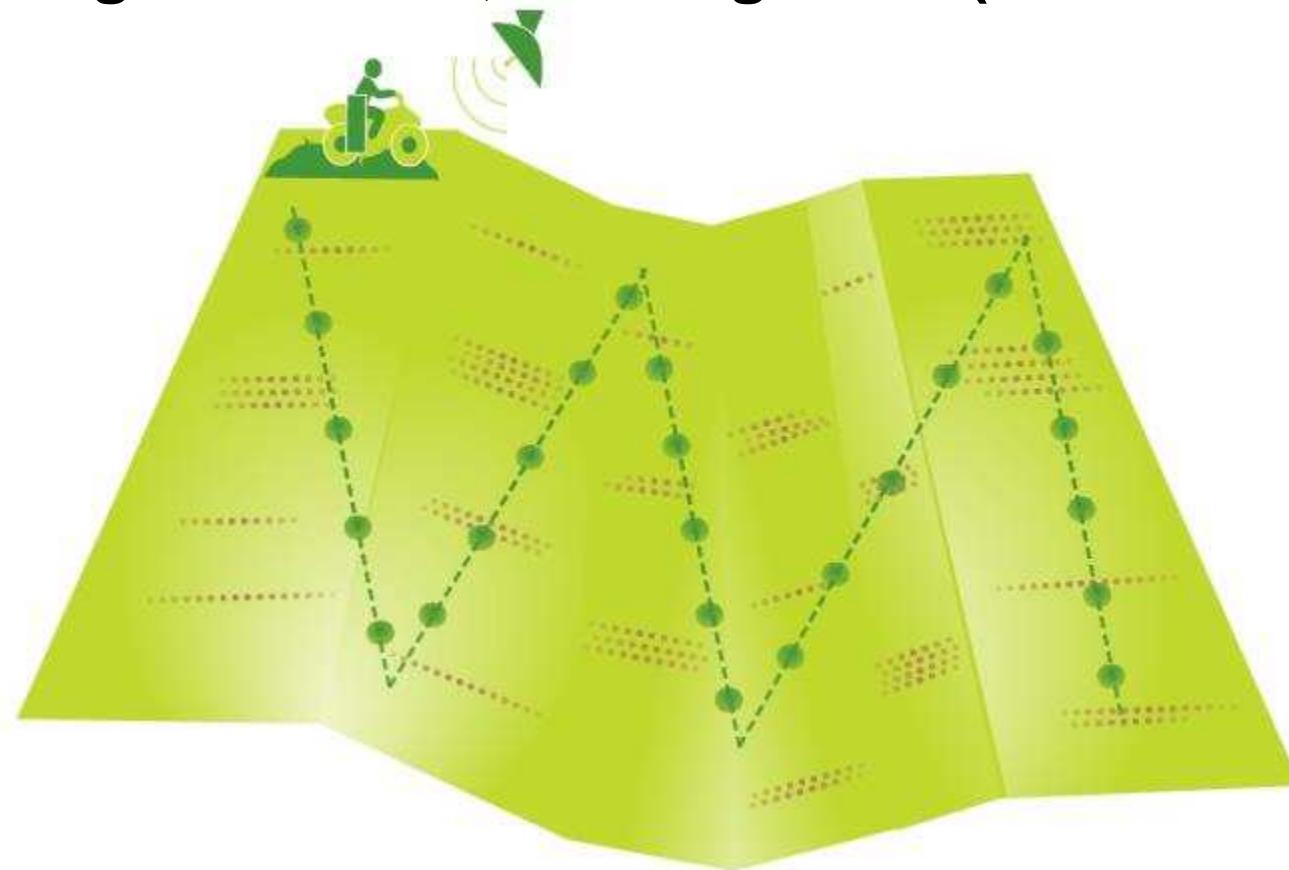




## Standalone sampling framework for farmers



## Sampling Procedure, utilizing IACS (INVEKOS-GIS)

















## New sampling equipment, mineralized nitrogen





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Beilage zum Bescheid GZ: BMWFW-02.251/0048-V1/2016 Nährstoffmanagement\_17020

**Akkreditierungsumfang der Inspektionsstelle (EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012)**  
**Maschinenring Steiermark**  
**Nährstoffmanagement I (Ident.Nr.: 0343)**

gültig ab: 01.02.2016

| Nr. | Dokumentenummer der Norm bzw. SOP <sup>1)</sup>                              | Ausgabe | Titel der Norm bzw. SOP  | Produkt-/gruppe (Bemerkungen)                            | Konformitätsbewertungsverfahren / Modul  |
|-----|--|---------|--|--|--|
| 1   | BMLFUW-Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung                              | 2005-09 | Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft - Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung, 6. Auflage 2008   | Boden  | Inspektion zur Erstellung eines Düngplanes                                       |
| 2   | BMLFUW-Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung im Garten- und Feldgemüsebau | 2008-07 | Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft - Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung im Garten- und Feldgemüsebau, 3. Auflage mit Kulturorientierungen 2008 | Boden  | Inspektion zur Beurteilung des Düngungsbedarfs gemäß Kapitel 4 und 7             |
| 3   | BMLFUW-Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung im Obstbau                   | 2009-02 | Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft - Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung im Obstbau   | Boden  | Inspektion zur Beurteilung des Düngungsbedarfs im Obstbau gemäß Kapitel 3        |
| 4   | BMLFUW-Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung im Weinbau                   | 2014-01 | Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft - Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung im Weinbau, 2. Auflage 2014  | Boden  | Inspektion zur Interpretation der Bodenanalyse und Düngung gemäß Kapitel 3 und 4 |
| 5   | OENORM EN ISO 5667-13  | 2011-10 | Wasserbeschaffenheit - Probenahme - Teil 13: Anleitung zur Probenahme von Schämmen (ISO 5667-13:2011)  | Eingeschränkt auf Wirtschaftsdünger (Gülle und Festmist) |  |
| 6   | OENORM L 1053  | 2012-04 | Bodenuntersuchungen - Allgemeine Grundlagen  | eingeschränkt auf die Probenahme                         |  |
| 7   | OENORM L 1054  | 2004-07 | Probenahme von Boden - Allgemeines, Terminologie   |  |  |
| 8   | OENORM L 1055  | 2004-07 | Probenahme von ackerbaulich genutzten Böden  |  |  |

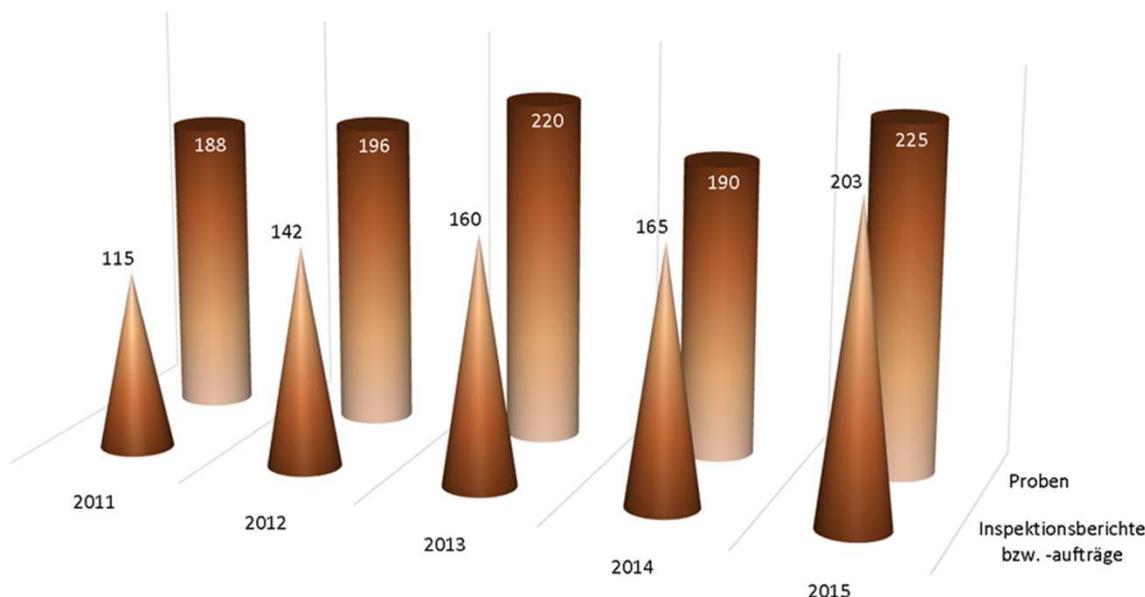
12. Inspektionsverfahren

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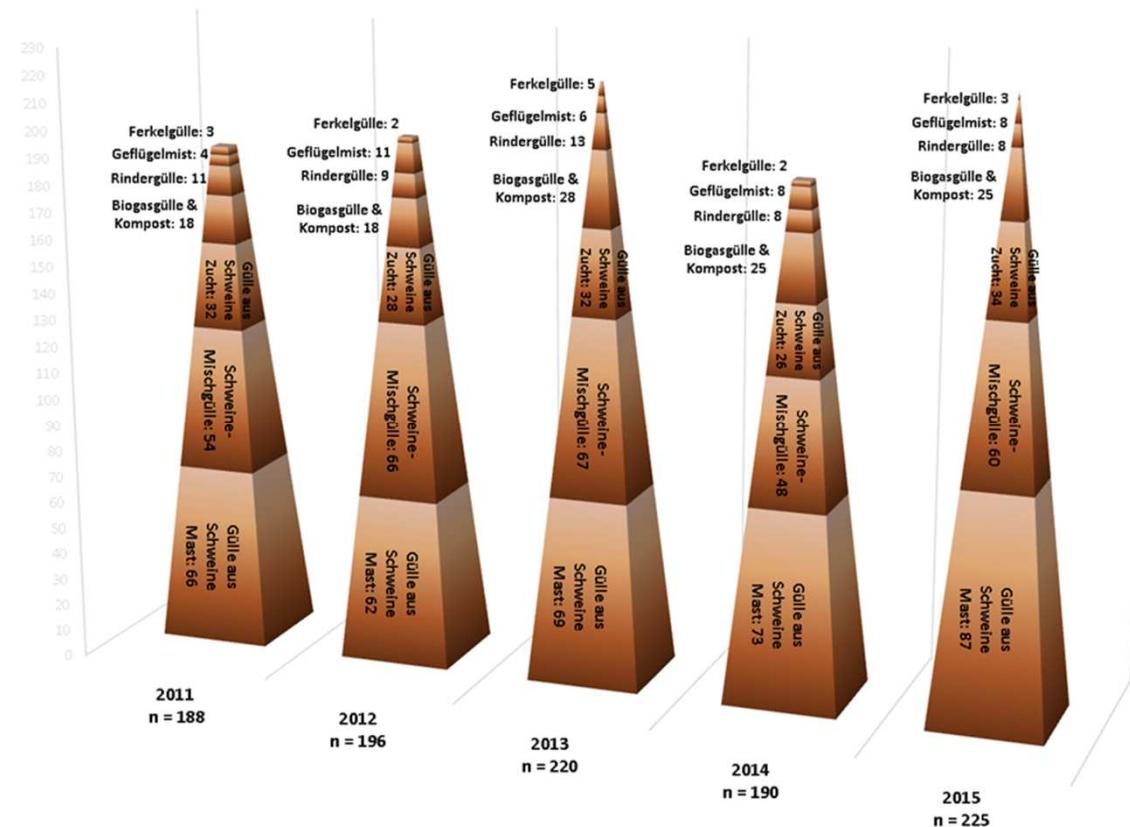
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| OENORM L 1067           | 2004-07 | Probenahme von wsl- und obstbaulich genutzten Böden und Böden von Baumschulen  |  |   |
| OENORM S 2123-4         | 2003-11 | Probenahmspläne für Abfälle - Teil 4: Beprobung flüssiger bzw. pastöser Abfälle  | Eingeschränkt auf Wirtschaftsdünger (Gülle und Festmist) |   |
| Richtlinie Gütleanalyse | 2013-02 | Richtlinie zur Probenahme, chemisch-physikalischen Untersuchung und Anwendungsplanung von Güte(n) als landwirtschaftliche Wirtschaftsdünger, Maschinenring Steiermark, Version 04 vom 01.02.2013 | ohne analytische Prüfungen                               | Richtlinien für die sachgerechte Düngung, 6. Auflage 2006<br>Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft |

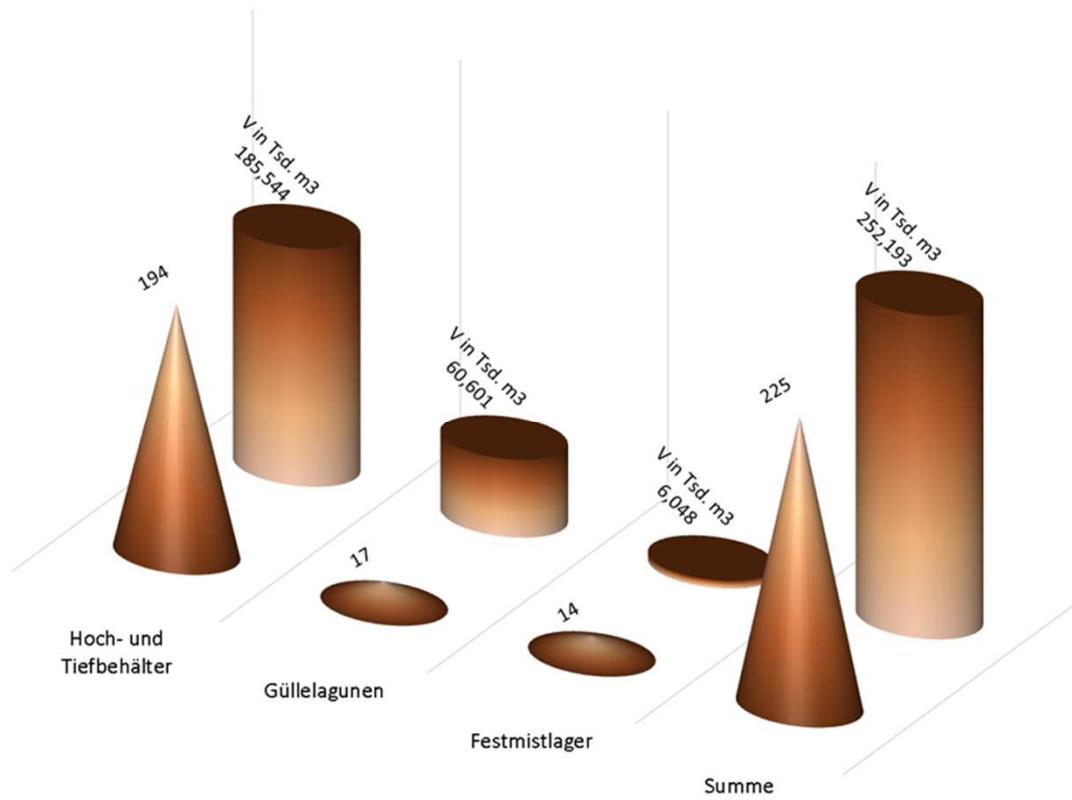
## Inspection orders and samples of manure



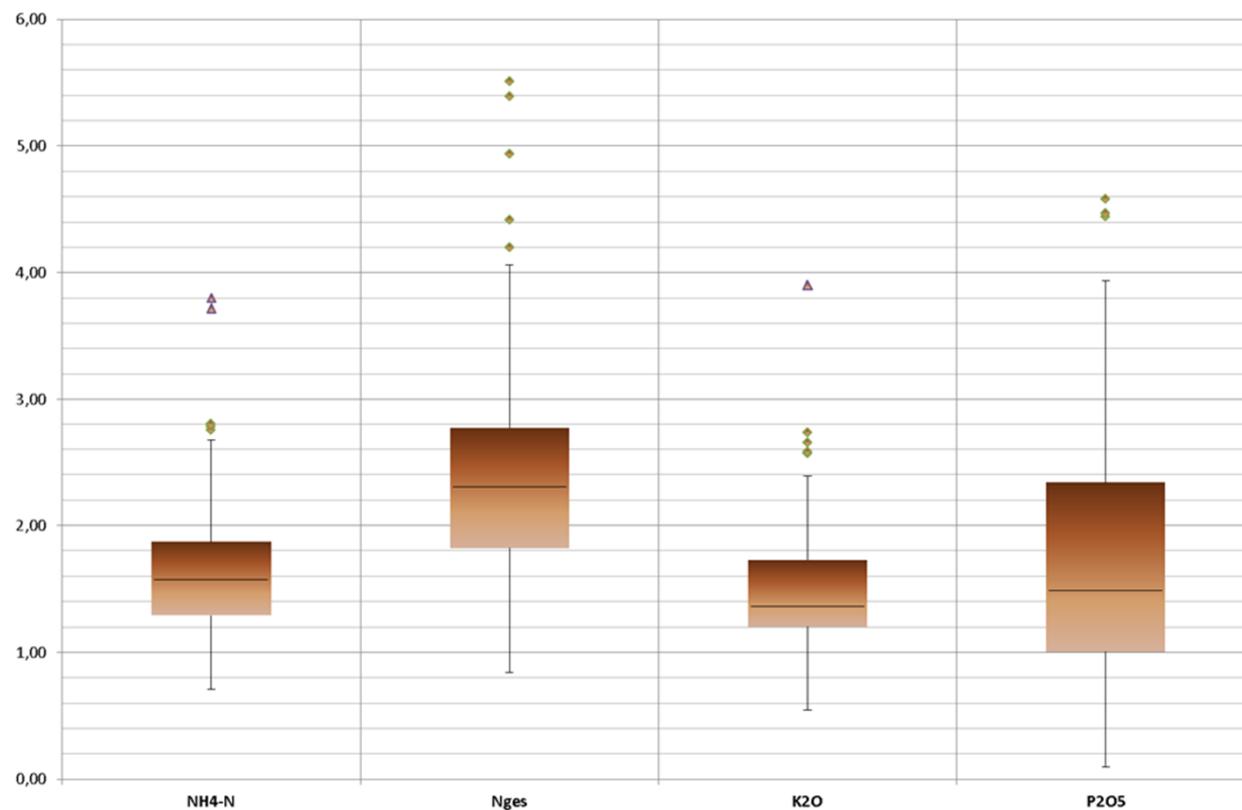
## Type and origin of inspected manure samples



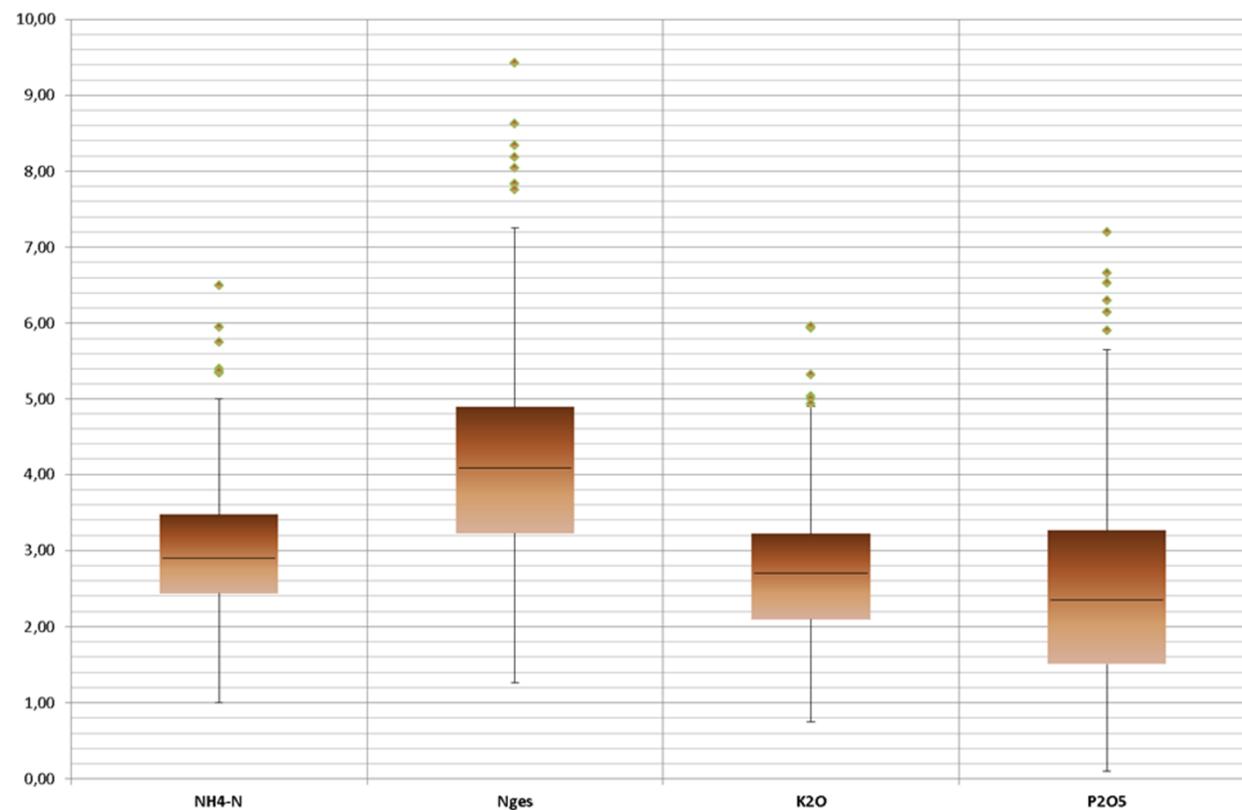
## Sampled slurry pits, tanks and reservoirs 2015



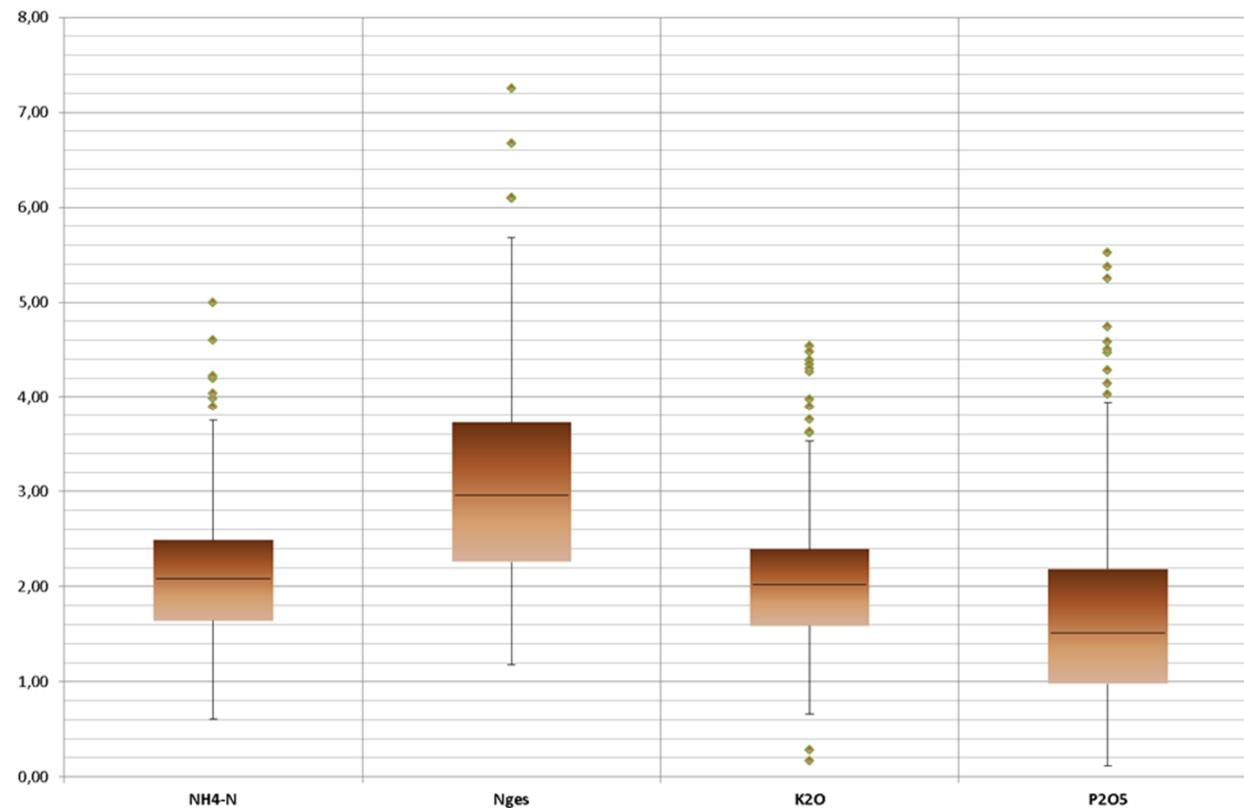
## 152 manure samples, breeding pigs origin



## 357 manure samples, porkers origin

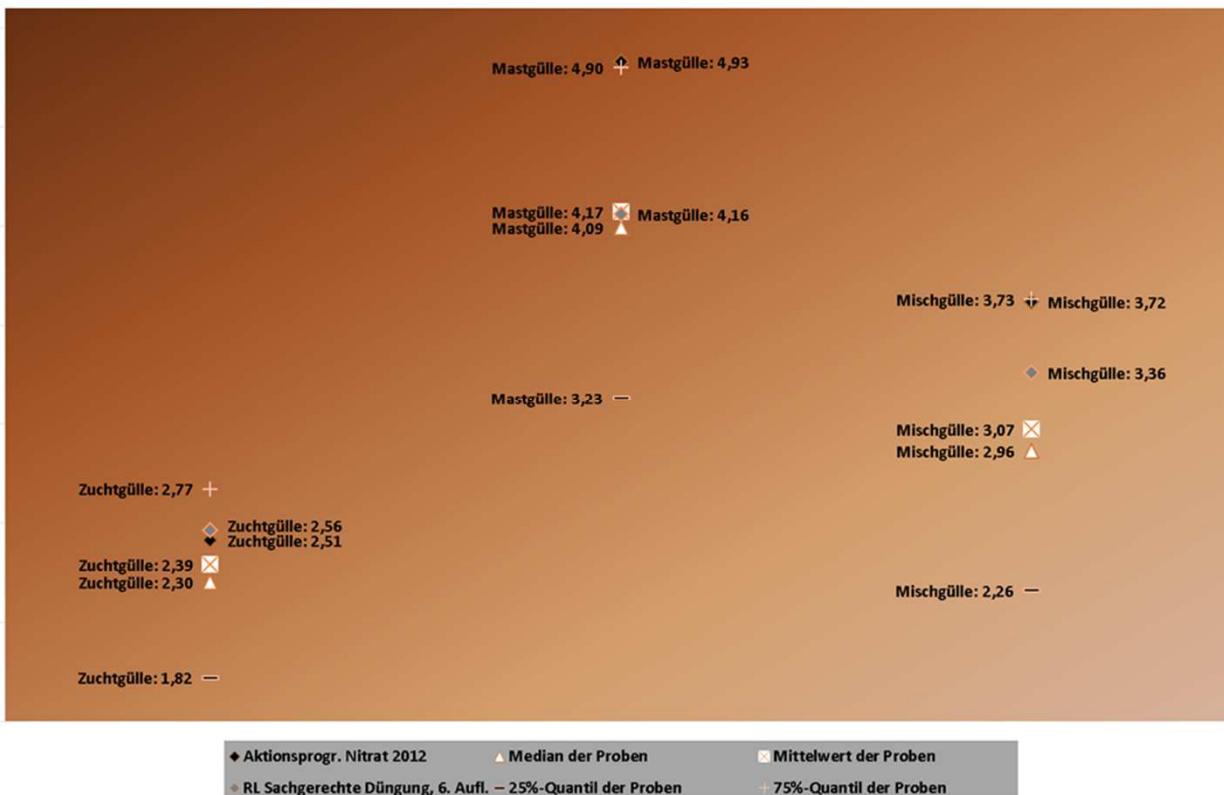


## 295 manure samples, mixed pig husbandry

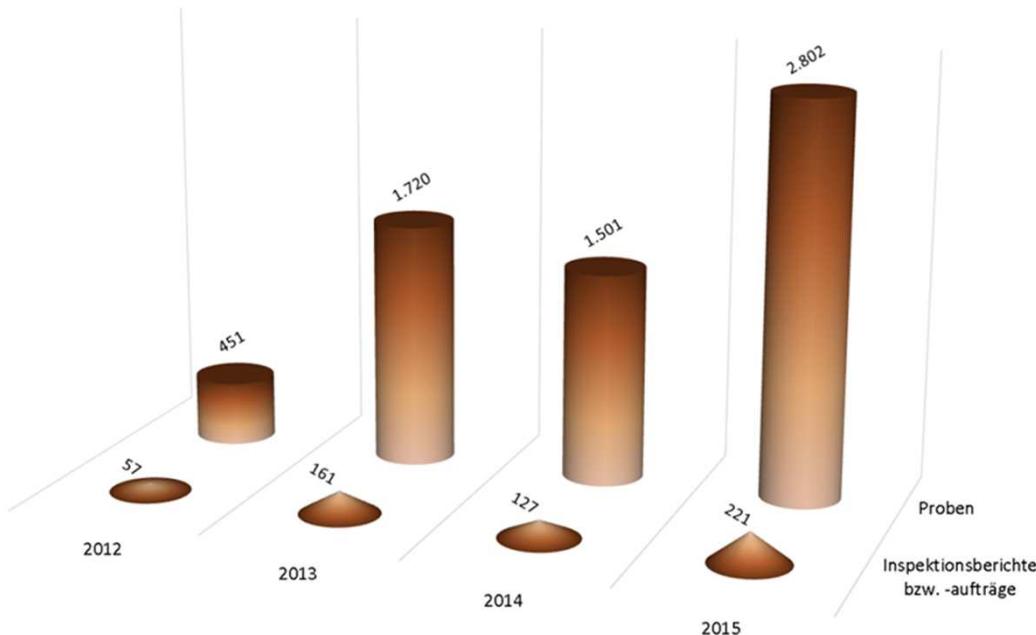




## Ø-Values of samples compared to AUT-standards

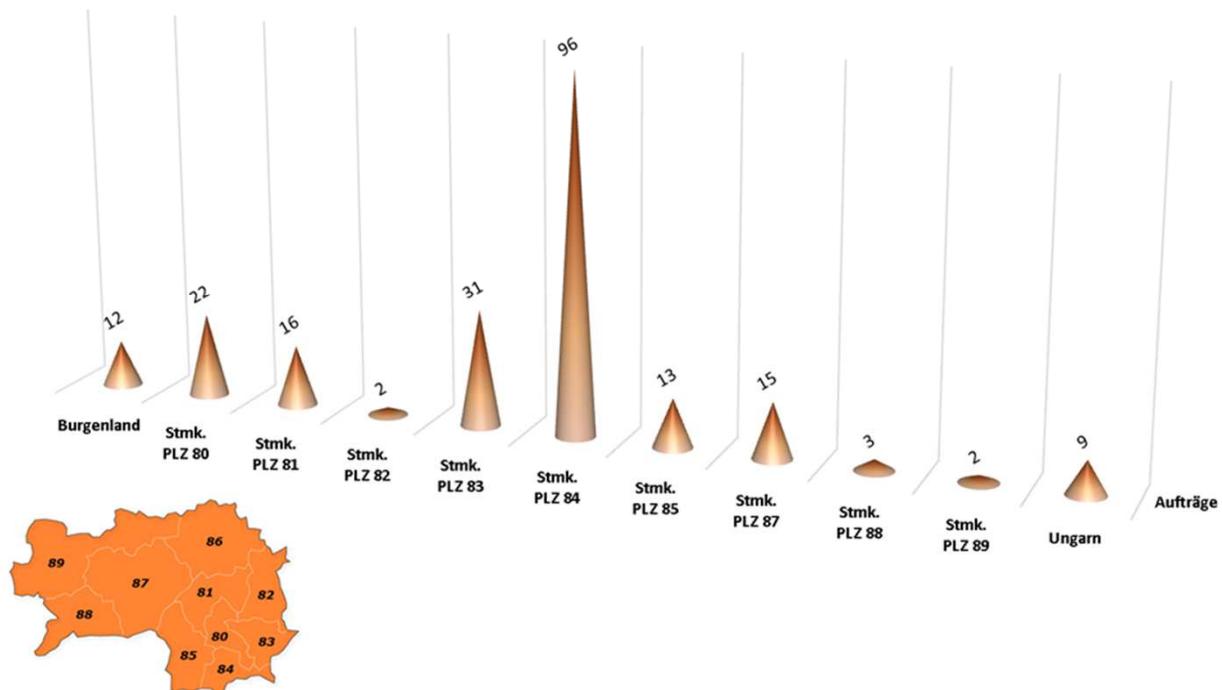


## Inspection orders and soil samples



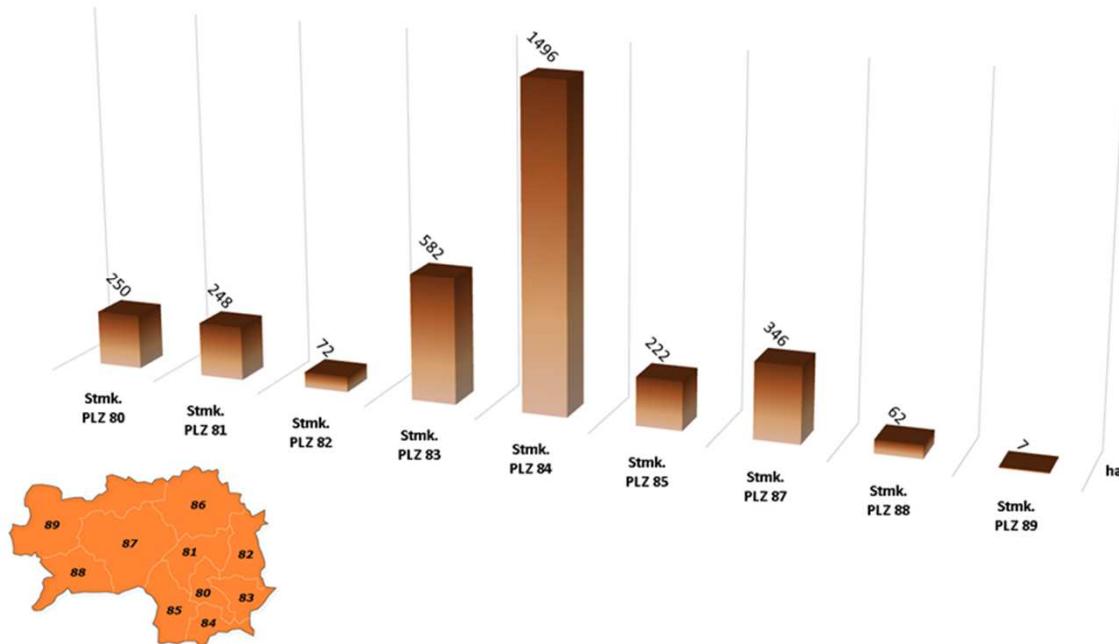


## Local distribution, inspection orders, Styria 2015

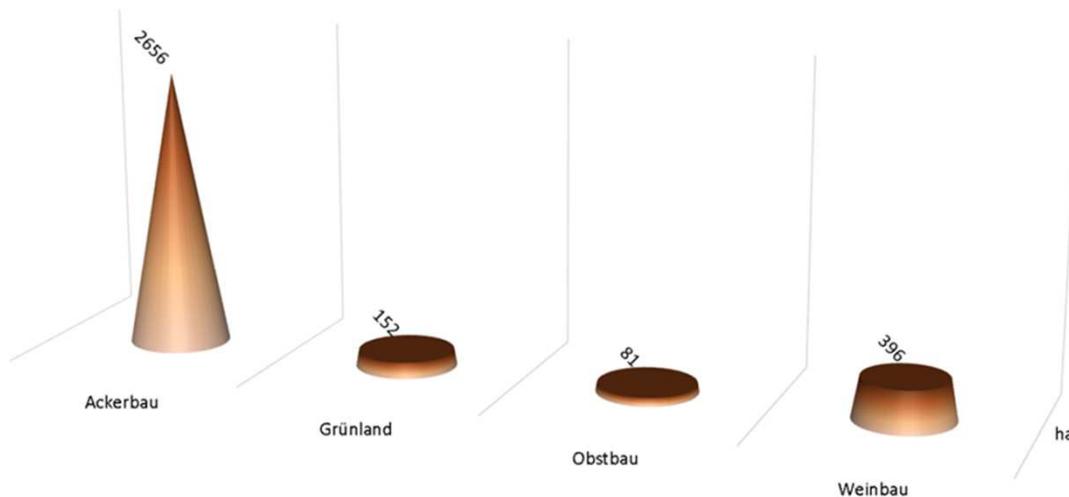




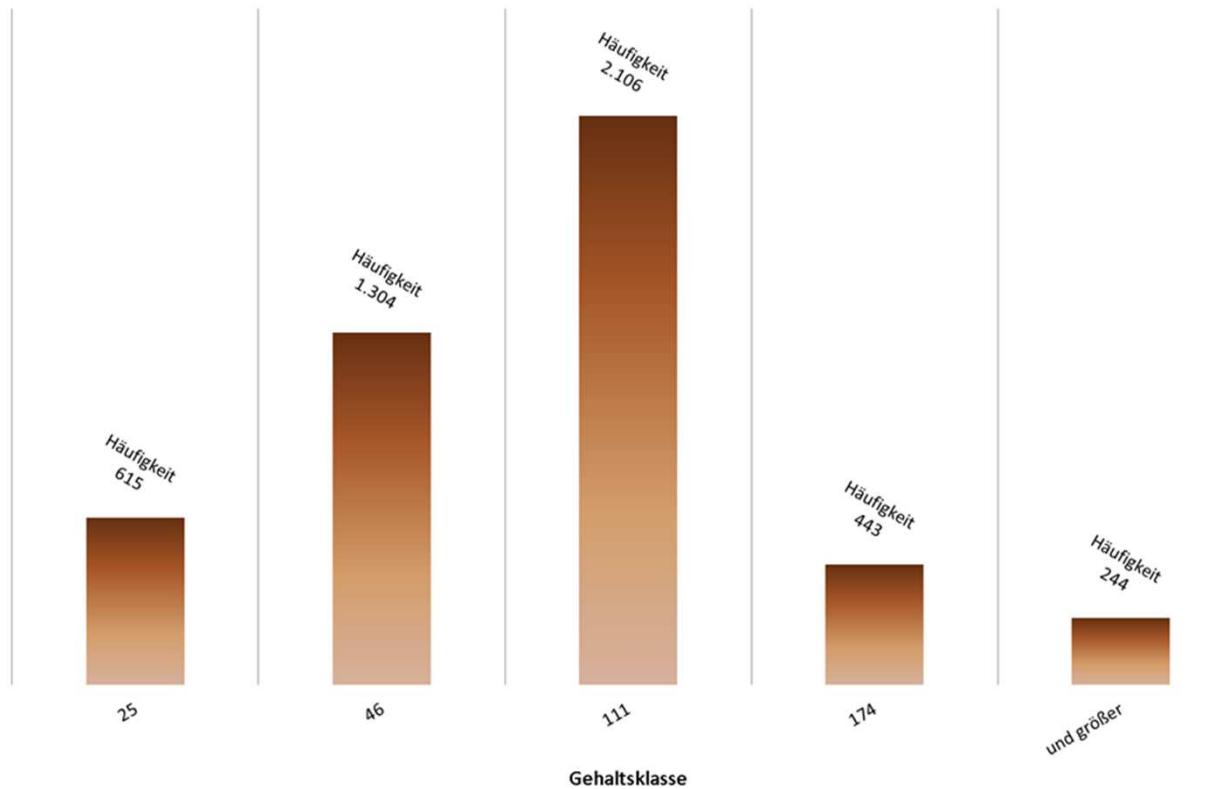
## Agricultural areas, soil samples, Styria 2015



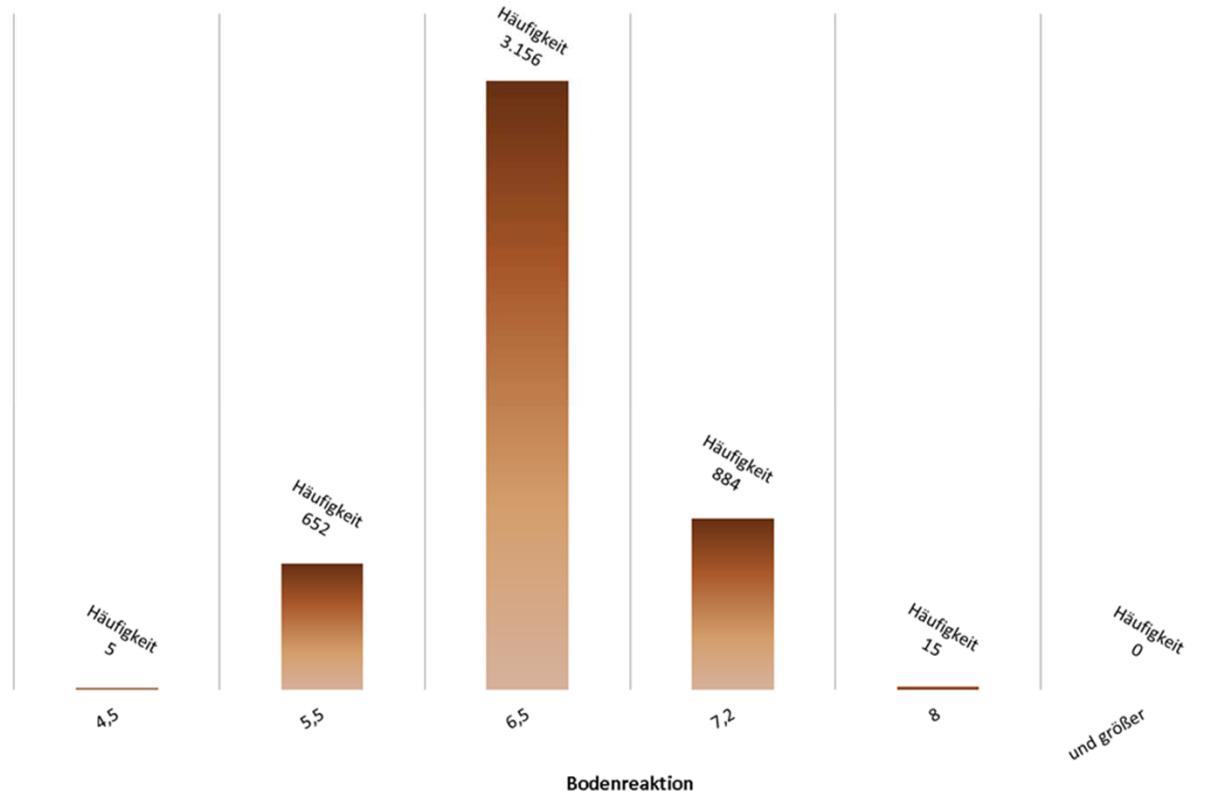
## Type of use, sampled areas, Styria 2015



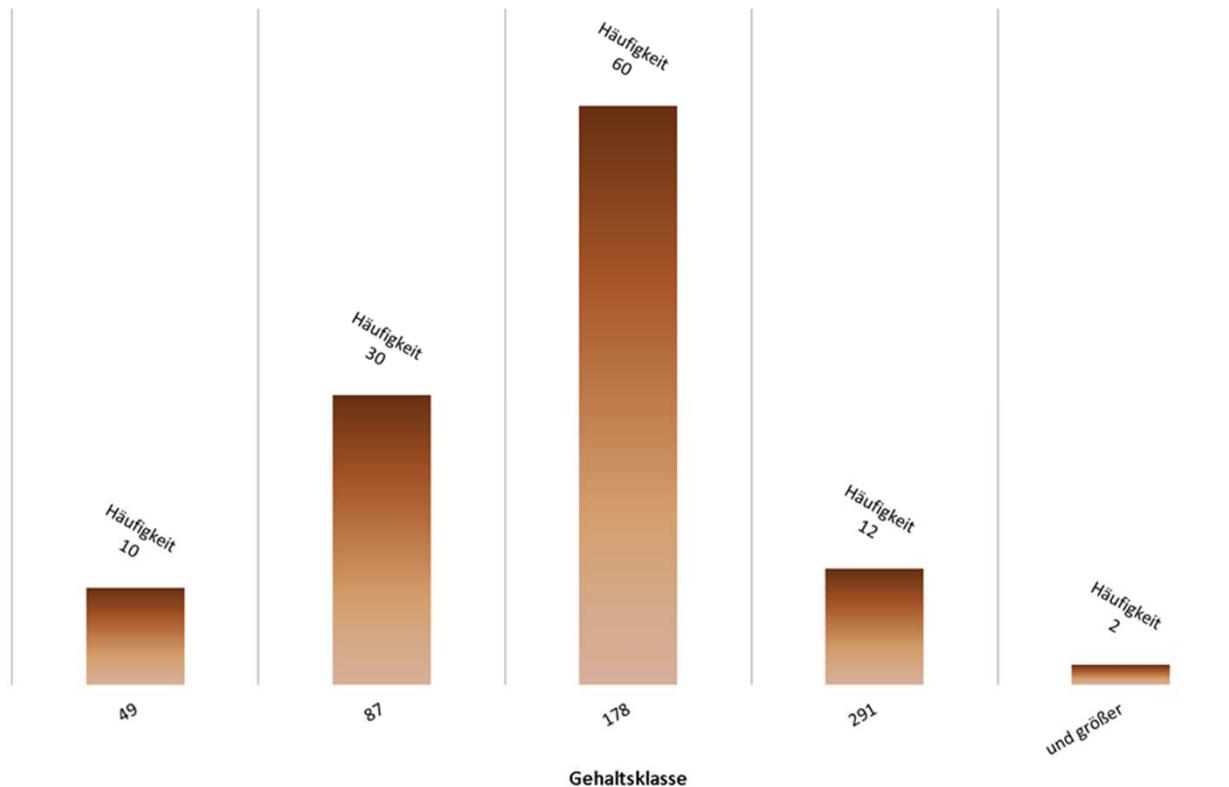
## Phosphorus content, agricultural soils



## Soil pH-reaction, agricultural soils

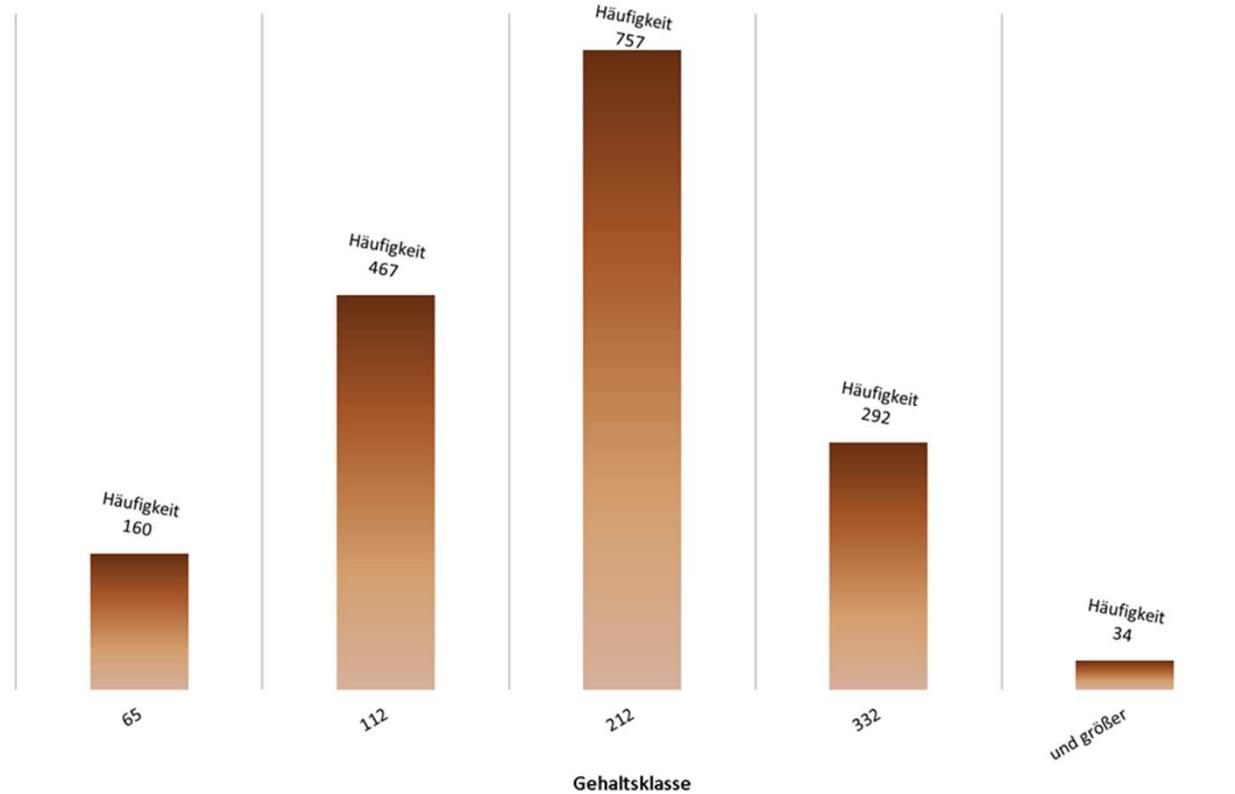


## Potassium content, light agricultural soils

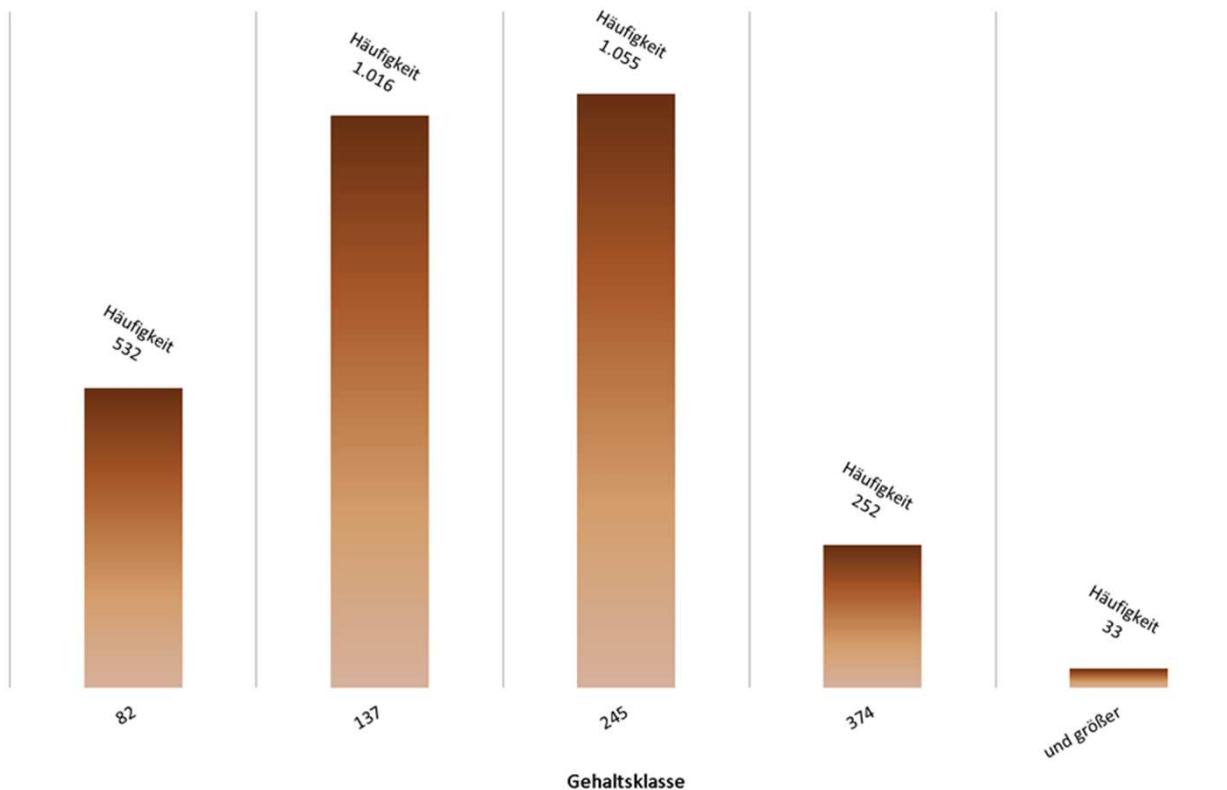




## Potassium content, medium agricultural soils



## Potassium content, claggy agricultural soils





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## Internal database

The screenshot shows a web-based application interface for managing agricultural fields. The top navigation bar includes links for 'Dashboard', 'Benutzer', 'Untersuchungen' (with a dropdown for 'WD Jahr Bericht'), and 'WD Jahr Bericht'. On the left, a sidebar lists 'Kartenobjekte', 'Labor' (selected), 'Administration' (with a dropdown for 'WD Jahr Bericht'), and 'Ausloggen'. The main content area displays a table with the following columns: Probenummer, Probenummer, WD DLJahr, FeldstueckStammdaten, Betriebsnummer, Teilbetriebsnummer, Feldstuecksnummer, Feldstuecksbezeichnung, ha, and Download. The table contains 20 rows of data, each representing a field plot with its unique identifier, location, and size.

|      | Probenummer | Probenummer       | WD DLJahr | FeldstueckStammdaten | Betriebsnummer | Teilbetriebsnummer | Feldstuecksnummer | Feldstuecksbezeichnung          | ha     | Download                 |
|------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| 6821 | 0           | Herbst 2015 9955  |           | 3324591              | 3324591        | 35                 |                   | GSCHAARACKER                    | 0.8766 | <a href="#">Anzeigen</a> |
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| 6805 | 0           | Herbst 2015 11328 |           | 4669576              | 4669576        | 69                 |                   | ORNIGRIEGL GANGL                | 0.3559 |                          |
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## Customer web portal, visualization of datasets

Nährstoffmanagement-Maps

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The screenshot shows a satellite map of a rural area with various agricultural fields and buildings. A callout box on the left provides detailed information about a specific location. On the right, a sidebar lists several dataset entries:

- G Hoflager  
Gülleabgabe von 3 m<sup>3</sup>, Harald Muster (0664/08150815)
- G Rundgrube  
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- G Mistlager  
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- G Rundgrube 2  
Gülleabgabe von 3 m<sup>3</sup>, Harald Muster (0664/08150815)
- G Stallager  
Gülleabgabe von 3 m<sup>3</sup>, Harald Muster (0664/08150815)
- G Pachtlager  
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- HOFACKER 1 3/0  
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