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### 1. Identification of the programme

Member state: OESTERREICH

Disease avian influenza in poultry and wild birds

This program is multi annual:

no

Request of Union co-financing  
from beginning of:

2015

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## 2. Description and implementation of the surveillance programme in poultry

### 2.1.1 Designation of the central authority in charge of supervising and coordinating the departments responsible for implementing the programme

(max. 32000 chars) :

Under the supervision of the Federal Ministry of Health, the NRL is responsible on investigation, notification and reporting.

### 2.1.2 System in place for the registration of holdings

(max. 32000 chars) :

According to the Avian Influenza Regulation BGBl II No 309/2007, any person who keeps birds (exception: pet birds that are always kept inside, without direct or indirect contact to other birds) has to

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be officially registered at the first administrative level (district). Holdings upon 350 chicken/turkeys are also registered within the Poultry Health Data (PHD), a database provided by the QGV (Quality Poultry Association)

### 2.1.3 *Design (risk based or surveillance based on representative sampling)*

(max. 32000 chars) :

The programme was set up in consideration of the national circumstances according to the requirements of Decision 2010/367/EU of 25 June 2010 on the implementation by Member States of surveillance programmes for avian influenza in poultry and wild birds. Surveillance in Austria is carried out based on representative sampling.

Taking into consideration the epidemiological circumstances a random sampling plan is being set up for all federal provinces (Länder) in accordance with the Avian Influenza Regulation 2007 (Geflügelpestverordnung 2007, BGBl. II Nr. 309/2007) and notified in the "Official Veterinary Bulletin". When setting up the surveillance programme the risk assessment by AGES, which is routinely being updated, has to be taken into consideration. Coordination of the sampling and choice of testing method have to be carried out by the national reference laboratory. Measures according to the sampling plan are within the competence of the provincial governor (Landeshauptmann). Sampling has to be done by the official veterinarians and all samples have to be tested at the national reference laboratory exclusively. Said laboratory is in contact with the Community Reference Laboratory in Weybridge and is obliged to send AI-virus isolates possibly positive for H5 and H7 to the EURL. The Austrian national reference laboratory for AI, Institute for veterinary medicinal investigations in Mödling, which forms part of the Austrian Agency for Health and Food Security (Österreichische Agentur für Gesundheit und Ernährungssicherheit, AGES) is charged with co-ordination and implementation of this programme.

Sampling and sending in of samples are carried out in accordance with the specifications of the diagnostic manual for AI which was published in the Official Veterinary Bulletin AVN No. 5/2007 of 18 June 2007.

#### 2.1.3.1 *Short description of predominant poultry population and types of poultry production*

(max. 32000 chars) :

In the year 2013 the number of registered laying flocks was 1785 with 5.881.623 animals. The number of chicken breeder flocks was 92 with 1.008.610 animals and there were 144 fattening turkey flocks with 1.048.686 animals. There are more and more goose- and duck-holdings but most of them are backyard flocks.

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### 2.1.3.2 Criteria and risk factors for risk based surveillance<sup>(1)</sup>

(max. 32000 chars) :

There is no special risk based surveillance programm in Austria at the moment

- (1) Including maps showing target sampling sites identified as being particularly at risk for the introduction of avian influenza virus, taking into account criteria set out in point 4 of Annex I to Commission Decision 2010/367/EC.

### 2.2 Target populations <sup>(2)</sup>

(max. 32000 chars) :

As said in Commission Decision 2010/367/EU: Poultry: layers, free range layers, chicken breeders, fattening turkeys, fattening ducks, fattening geese, ratites  
Wild birds: also according to § 4 of the avian influenza regulation BGBl. II/Nr.309/2007 every dead found waterbird or raptor must be sent to the NRL for AI.

- (2) including MS specific exceptional circumstances as described in Annex I point 3 of Commission Decision 2010/367/EU)

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### 2.2.1 POULTRY HOLDINGS <sup>(a)</sup> (except ducks, geese and farmed game birds (waterfowl e.g. mallards) to be sampled

Serological investigation according to Annex I to Commission Decision 2010/367/EU

Targets for year **2015**

Category : laying hens

**delete this category**

NUTS (2) (b)	Total number of holdings(c)	Total number of holdings to be sampled	Number of samples per holding	Total number of tests	Method of laboratory analysis	
11	24	2	10	20	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
12	233	22	10	220	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
21	42	4	10	40	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
22	214	19	10	190	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
31	145	8	10	80	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
32	26	2	10	20	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
33	66	2	10	20	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
34	17	1	10	10	ELISA test	<b>X</b>

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<b>Total</b>				600	
				<b>Add a new row</b>	
<p>(a) Holdings or herds or flocks or establishments as appropriate.</p> <p>(b) Refers to the location of the holding of origin. In case NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics) can not be used, region as defined in the programme by the Member States is requested</p> <p>(c) Total number of holdings of one category of poultry in concerned NUTS 2 region.</p>					

Category : free range laying hens

**delete this category**

NUTS (2) (b)	Total number of holdings(c)	Total number of holdings to be sampled	Number of samples per holding	Total number of tests	Method of laboratory analysis	
11	19	1	10	10	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
12	153	8	10	80	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
21	70	5	10	50	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
22	526	33	10	330	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
31	228	10	10	100	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
32	35	1	10	10	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
33	53	1	10	10	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
34	30	1	10	10	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
<b>Total</b>				600		
				<b>Add a new row</b>		

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- (a) Holdings or herds or flocks or establishments as appropriate.  
 (b) Refers to the location of the holding of origin. In case NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics) can not be used, region as defined in the programme by the Member States is requested  
 (c) Total number of holdings of one category of poultry in concerned NUTS 2 region.

Category : chicken breeders

[delete this category](#)

NUTS (2) (b)	Total number of holdings(c)	Total number of holdings to be sampled	Number of samples per holding	Total number of tests	Method of laboratory analysis	
12	10	8	10	80	ELISA test	X
21	3	3	10	30	ELISA test	X
22	39	22	10	220	ELISA test	X
31	35	20	10	200	ELISA test	X
<b>Total</b>				530		

[Add a new row](#)

- (a) Holdings or herds or flocks or establishments as appropriate.  
 (b) Refers to the location of the holding of origin. In case NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics) can not be used, region as defined in the programme by the Member States is requested  
 (c) Total number of holdings of one category of poultry in concerned NUTS 2 region.

Category : fattening turkeys

[delete this category](#)

NUTS (2) (b)	Total number of holdings(c)	Total number of holdings to be sampled	Number of samples per holding	Total number of tests	Method of laboratory analysis	
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11	24	8	10	80	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
12	45	24	10	240	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
21	20	8	10	80	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
22	22	4	10	40	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
31	31	9	10	90	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
<b>Total</b>				530		
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<p>(a) Holdings or herds or flocks or establishments as appropriate.            (b) Refers to the location of the holding of origin. In case NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics) can not be used, region as defined in the programme by the Member States is requested            (c) Total number of holdings of one category of poultry in concerned NUTS 2 region.</p>						

Category : ratites

**delete this category**

NUTS (2) (b)	Total number of holdings(c)	Total number of holdings to be sampled	Number of samples per holding	Total number of tests	Method of laboratory analysis	
12	1	1	10	10	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
22	4	4	10	40	ELISA test	<b>X</b>
<b>Total</b>				50		
<b>Add a new row</b>						
<p>(a) Holdings or herds or flocks or establishments as appropriate.            (b) Refers to the location of the holding of origin. In case NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics) can not be used, region as defined in the programme by the Member States is requested            (c) Total number of holdings of one category of poultry in concerned NUTS 2 region.</p>						

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**Add a category**

Totals	Total number of tests	
<b>Total poultry 2015</b>	2 310	

2.2.2 *DUCKS ,GEESE AND FARMED GAME BIRDS (WATERFOWL e.g. MALLARD) HOLDINGS (a) to be sampled.*

*Serological investigation according to Annex I to Commission Decision 2010/367/EU*

*Targets for year*

**2015**

Category : fattening ducks

**delete this category**

NUTS (2) (b)	Total number of duck and geese holdings	Total number of duck and geese holdings to be sampled	Number of samples per holding	Total number of tests	Method of laboratory analysis	
11	8	8	20	160	ELISA test	<b>X</b>

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12	21	21	20	420	ELISA test	X
22	3	3	20	60	ELISA test	X
31	1	1	20	20	ELISA test	X
12	21	21	20	20	HI-test (H5)	X
12	21	21	20	20	HI-test (H7)	X
<b>Total</b>				700		
<b>Add a new row</b>						

(a) Holdings or herds or flocks or establishments as appropriate.  
 (b) Refers to the location of the holding of origin. In case NUTS (2) code can not be used, region as defined in the programme by the Member State is requested

Category : fattening geese

**delete this category**

NUTS (2) (b)	Total number of duck and geese holdings	Total number of duck and geese holdings to be sampled	Number of samples per holding	Total number of tests	Method of laboratory analysis	
11	22	22	20	440	ELISA test	X
12	4	4	20	80	ELISA test	X
21	2	2	20	40	ELISA test	X
22	15	15	20	300	ELISA test	X
31	2	2	20	40	ELISA test	X
11	22	22	20	20	HI-test (H5)	X
11	22	22	20	20	HI-test (H7)	X
<b>Total</b>				940		
<b>Add a new row</b>						

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(a) Holdings or herds or flocks or establishments as appropriate.

(b) Refers to the location of the holding of origin. In case NUTS (2) code can not be used, region as defined in the programme by the Member State is requested

### Add a category

NUTS (2) (b)	Total number of tests	
<b>Total ducks and geese 2015</b>	1 640	

TOTALS for Poultry (2.2.1) + Ducks and Geese (2.2.2) for year :

2015

Poultry +Ducks/Geese	Total number of tests
<b>Grand Total</b>	3 950
<b>Grand Total ELISA</b>	3 870
<b>Grand Total agar</b>	0
<b>Grand Total HI tests (H5)</b>	40
<b>Grand Total HI tests (H7)</b>	40
<b>Grand Total Virus Isolation test</b>	0
<b>Grand Total PCR test</b>	0
<b>Grand Total Other test</b>	0

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Grand Total Samplings	0
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### 2.3 *Sampling procedures, sampling periods and frequency of testing*

*(max. 32000 chars) :*

Birds are usually sampled at the abbatoire. Breeders, layers, turkeys and rataties are sampled during the whole year. Geese and ducks are sampled in autumn, at the end of the production period.

### 2.4 *Laboratory testing : description of the laboratory tests used and follow up investigations*

*Description of the used serological tests : (max 32000 chars)*

Avian Influenza Virus Antibody Test Kit IDEXX  
Influenza A Virus Antibody Test Kit IDEXX

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### 3. *Description and implementation of the surveillance programme in wild birds*

#### 3.1.1 *Designation of the central authority in charge of supervising and coordinating the departments responsible for implementing the programme and relevant collaborating partners (e.g. epidemiologists, ornithologists, nature bird observation and hunter organisations).*

*(max. 32000 chars) :*

Under the supervision of the Federal Ministry of Health, the NRL is responsible on investigation, notification and reporting. In case of suspicion of Avian Influenza in wild birds, all relevant collaborating partners are involved to contribute in the development of necessary measures.

#### 3.1.2 *Description and delimitation of the geographical and administrative areas in which the programme is to be applied*

*max. 32000 chars) :*

The programme covers the whole Austrian territory.

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### 3.1.3 Estimation of the local and/or migratory wildlife population

(max. 32000 chars) :

Due to the fact that Austria is situated in the centre of the flight track for migratory birds from the south to the north and from the east to the north-west, a serious estimation is not possible.

### 3.2 Design, criteria, risk factors and target population<sup>(3)</sup>

(max. 32000 chars) :

All waterbirds and raptors found dead have to be sent to the NRL for laboratory investigation. Furthermore, there are two big lakes in Austria which are resting places and destinations for a lot of migratory birds and breeding area for waterfowls. This is Lake Constance in the west and Neusiedler lake in the east of Austria. The local governments are aware of the higher risk due to the geographical situation. There is still a cross-border active surveillance project on Lake Constance, financed by the involved countries (Austria, Germany, Switzerland) themselves. The laboratory tests are performed by the Austrian NRL for AI.

<sup>(3)</sup> *Areas at risk (wetlands in particular where links with high density poultry populations), previous positive findings as referred to in point 2 of Part 1 of Annex II to Commission Decision 2010/367/EC should be taken into account and if possible complemented by a map.*

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### 3.2.1 WILD BIRDS focussed on target species

Investigations according to the surveillance programme set out in Part 2 of Annex II to Decision 2010/367/EC

Targets for year **2015**

NUTS (2) code/region (a)	Total number of birds to be sampled	Estimated total number of samples to be taken for passive surveillance	Type of test	Number of tests	
11	250	250	PCR test	250	X
34	250	250	PCR test	250	X
12, 21, 22, 23, 31, 32, 33	100	100	PCR test	100	X
11,34	20	20	Virus isolation test	20	X
<b>Total</b>					
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<p>(a) Refers to the place of collection of birds/samples. In case NUTS 2 (Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics) can not be used, region as defined in the programme by the Member State is requested. Please fill-in these values directly in the field.</p> <p>(b) General description of the wild birds are intended to be sampled in the framework of the active and passive surveillance.</p> <p>(c) Voluntary, to be included for information purposes, not eligible for cofinancing.</p>					



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	Total number of tests
<b>Total number of tests</b>	620
<b>Total Virus isolation tests</b>	20
<b>Total PCR tests</b>	600
<b>Total Other tests</b>	0

### 3.3 Sampling procedures and sampling periods

*max 32000 chars :*

The dead birds are sent to the NRL institute and organ samples as trachea, lung, brain, liver, intestine, kidney and pancreas are pooled and analysed for Avian Influenza Viruses. When several dead birds are sent simultaneously, pre-screening of cloacal/tracheal swabs will proceed, then positive and suspicious samples will be analysed in the organs to improve sensitivity. The sampling period is all over the year with focus in spring and autumn.

### 3.4 Laboratory testing : description of the laboratory tests used

*max 32000 chars :*

RNA Extraction of swabs with either QIAmp Viral RNA Mini Kit (Qiagen) or Nucleospin Viral Kit (Macherey & Nagel); RNA Extraction of organ samples with RNeasy Kit (Qiagen) or Nucleospin RNA Tissue Kit (Macherey & Nagel); Prescreening of samples using real-time RT-PCR for the Matrix Protein of Influenza A Virus. Confirmation of positive samples using H5 and H7, N1 real-time RT-PCR (all are protocols recommended by the CRL in Weybridge, Diagnostic manual). H5 or H7 positive samples are pathotyped by classical RT-PCR and sequencing of the HA protein at the cleavage site.

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### 4. *Description of the epidemiological situation of the disease in poultry during the last five years*

*(max. 32000 chars) :*

Austria has been free of disease in poultry during the last 5 years.

### 5. *Description of the epidemiological situation of the disease in wild birds during the last five years*

*(max. 32000 chars) :*

Austria has been free of disease in wild birds during the last 5 years.

### 6. *Measures in place as regards the notification of the disease*

*(max. 32000 chars) :*

The Federal Ministry of Health gives regular information on the epidemiological situation within Austria and the other memberstates to lokal authorities and stakeholders, to keep them sensible.

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Supporting legal acts are:

Avian Influenza Regulation BGBl. II No.309/2007

HPAI-Wild Bird-Avian Influenza Regulation BGBl. II No. 404/2006

Emergency plan for the eradication of Avian Infuenza in Austria, GZ 74700/0020-II/B/6/2008, version 2008.

### 7. Costs

#### 7.1 Detailed analysis of the costs

##### 7.1.1 Poultry

(max. 32000 chars) :

see 7.2.1

##### 7.1.2 Wild birds

(max. 32000 chars) :

see 7.2.2

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### 7.2 Summary of the annual costs :

#### 7.2.1 Poultry surveillance

##### Detailed analysis of the cost of the programme - poultry

Targets for year **2015**

Laboratory testing			
Methods of laboratory analysis	Number of tests	Indicative unitary test cost (per method) in € (*)	Total cost (€)
ELISA test	3 870	3.26	12616.2
agar gel immune diffusion test	0	1.8	0
HI-Test for H5 (specify number of tests for H5)	0	9.64	0
HI-Test for H7 (specify number of tests for H7)	0	9.64	0
Virus isolation test	0	37.87	0
PCR test	0	19.74	0
Other test	0	0	0
Sampling			
	Number of samples	Unitary cost in € (*)	Total cost (€)

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Samples	3 870	6.09	23568.3	
<b>Other measures</b>				
	Number of samples	Unitary cost in €	Total cost (€)	
Other please specify here	0	0	0	<b>X</b>
			<b>Add a new row</b>	
<b>Total poultry Testing + Sampling + Other measures</b>	7 740		36 184,50 €	

(\*) as per cofinancing decision for 2014 programmes

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### 7.2.2 Wild bird surveillance

#### Detail analysis of the cost of the programme - wild birds

Targets for year **2015**

Laboratory testing			
Methods of laboratory analysis	Number of tests	Unitary test cost (per method) in € (*)	Total cost (€)
Virus isolation test	20	37.89	757.8
PCR test	600	19.74	11844
Other cost	0	0	0
Delivery of wild animals			
	No of wild birds	Eligible cost in € (*)	Total cost (€)
Delivery of wild animals	600	6	3600
Other measures			
	Number	Unitary cost in €	Total cost (€)

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Other please specify here	0	0	0	X
			Add a new row	
<b>Total wild birds Testing + Delivery + Other measures</b>	1220		16 201,80 €	

(\*) as per cofinancing decision for 2014 programmes

TOTALS for Poultry (7.2.1) + Ducks and Geese (7.2.2) for year :

2015

	Total Cost
<b>Grand Total Poultry + Ducks/Geese</b>	52 386

### 7.3 Co-financing rate:

The maximum co-financing rate is in general fixed at 50%. However based on provisions of Article 5.2 and 5.3 of the Common Financial Framework, we request that the co-financing rate for the reimbursement of the eligible costs would be increased:

- Up to 75% for the measures detailed below
- Up to 100% for the measures detailed below
- Not applicable



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### 7.4 Source of national funding

*Please specify the source of the national funding:*

- public funds*
- food business operators participation*
- other*

*Please give details on the source of national funding (max 32000 characters)*

The Austrian Parliament annually enacts a Financing Act (Bundesfinanzgesetz). This Act provides the financial framework for the responsible operative authorities (in case of veterinary /consumer health issues the Federal Ministry of Health) to fulfill their responsibilities. The budget is provided by the Federal Ministry of Finance and is acquired via earnings of the republic (taxes) and by going into dept.

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