

REPORTING PROFORMA FOR COMMERCIAL WINGS

(Data Source: Statistics Austria)

Name of the Mission (Country): Embassy of India, Vienna, AUSTRIA.

**I. MONTHLY (APRIL 2023) REPORT FOR AUSTRIA
(Data – DECEMBER 2022)**

1 \$ = Rs. 82.60 December 2022

1 € = Rs. 85.72 December 2022

A. Trade in goods

a) Total trade in goods during

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	Export (US\$ million)	Import (US\$ million)	Status (P) Provisional/ (F) Final
Country's trade with India	126.62	116.13	
Country's total global trade	15547.47	16956.91	

b) Preferential trade in goods during

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S.No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Imports from India (US\$ million)	Preferential Imports from World (US\$ million)
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NIL

S.No.	Preferential / Free Trade Agreement with India	Preferential Exports to India (US\$ million)	Preferential Exports to World (US\$ million)
1			
2			

NIL

c) Top 10 items of import from India during

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S.No.	Commodity	Value (US\$ million)	Quantity	Unit of Measurement	% Share in total import of the commodity
1.	85; Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles	30.40	789861.00	KG	1.66
2.	84; Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	8.68	651797.00	KG	0.42
3.	87; Vehicles other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof	8.07	416948.00	KG	0.50
4.	29; Organic chemicals	7.31	481209.00	KG	2.35
5.	64; Footwear, gaiters and the like; parts of such articles	7.13	205643.00	KG	4.55
6.	61; Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, knitted or crocheted	5.97	182834.00	KG	2.16
7.	62; Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted	5.75	98958.00	KG	2.37

8.	42; Articles of leather; saddlery and harness; travel goods, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm gut)	3.65	165418.00	KG	5.41
9.	73; Articles of iron or steel	3.50	1147550.00	KG	0.82
10.	79; Zinc and articles thereof	3.14	942498.00	KG	11.63

d) Top 10 items of export to India during

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S.No.	Commodity	Value (US\$ million)	Quantity	Unit
1.	84; Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	41.06	723268.00	KG
2.	85; Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles	14.22	262930.00	KG
3.	30; Pharmaceutical products	9.56	66112.00	KG
4.	90; Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; parts and accessories thereof	8.72	33309.00	KG
5.	39; Plastics and articles thereof	6.87	1447275.00	KG

6.	38; Miscellaneous chemical products	5.30	2021063.00	KG
7.	22; Beverages, spirits and vinegar	4.98	3480559.00	KG
8.	29; Organic chemicals	4.95	257828.00	KG
9.	72; Iron and steel	4.75	1562581.00	KG
10.	73; Articles of iron or steel	3.55	1074800.00	KG

e) Potential products of imports from India- **December 2022** (India Export data from DGCIS/ Statistic Austria)

S.No.	Commodity	Rationale (Max.200 words)
1.	02; Meat and edible meat offal	Austria Import from the World- 107.79 million USD. India Export to the World- 264.96 million USD. India Export to Austria- Nil during this period.
2.	24; Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	Austria Import from the World- 34.15 million USD. India Export to the World- 93.19 million USD. India Export to Austria- Nil during this period.
3.	26; Ores, slag and ash	Austria Import from the World-151.83 million USD. India Export to the World- 187.26 million USD. India Export to Austria- Nil during this period.

B. QUALITATIVE

1. Market Access Alerts (attach copy of notification):

Austria is a part of EU and follows the EU regulations on external trade. Latest updates on market access, custom tariffs, non- tariff measures, regulations can be assessed on the following links:

- **EU-Tarifs:** <https://madb.europa.eu/madb/euTariffs.htm>

- **Trade Tariffs:**
https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/dds2/taric/taric_consultation.jsp?Lang=en
- **India trade portal:**
https://www.indiantradeportal.in/alerts_notified_spstbt.jsp
- **The EU has also set up a help desk for exporters willing to export their products into the EU. Answer to specific queries like EU Import duties, product requirement, import procedure, internal taxes etc. can be accessed on the following link:**
<https://trade.ec.europa.eu/tradehelp/>

a. Alerts on customs tariff changes: -

S.No.	Notification no. and date	HS code	Description	Original customs tariff	Present customs tariff	Effective from	Remarks if any
1.							
2.							

NIL

b. Alerts on non-tariff measures (SPS/TBT/ import and export procedures/ restrictions/ prohibitions, licensing/ STEs etc.)

S. No	Notification no./ date	Measure	Details (including HS Codes)	Effective from	Remarks if any
1.					
2.					

NIL

c. Alerts on standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures:

S.No.	Notification no./ date	Standard/ technical regulation/ conformity assessment procedure	HS Codes	Effective from	Remarks if any
1.					
2.					

NIL

d. Alerts on trade defense measures taken by respective country:
(Safeguards including special safeguard, antidumping, CVD or anti- subsidy)

S.No.	Notification no., date or other references	Type (initiation, final, prov.,	Details of products/ sectors	Effective from	Remarks if any

		sunset, consultations, new shipper review)	affected (including HS codes)		

NIL

- e. Alert on services, regulatory regime, qualification requirement, licensing procedures, visa regime, barriers etc.

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NIL

2. Feedback

- a. Feedback from major Indian industries/other commercial concerns and Indian trade visitors to Austria.

S.No.	Name of business house	Activity sector	Trade barrier issues if any (incl. HS codes)	General Feedback (Max.200 words)
1.				
2.				

NIL

- b. Feedback on major trade activities **including logistic events** (trade fairs/BSM including Indian participation) December 2022

S.No.	Activity (trade fair, BSM etc.)	Date and venue	Number of participants from India	Name(s) of large/ key participants from India	Feedback received (Max.200 words)	Source of funding (MAI, TA/TC)

NIL

- c. Feedback from local commercial visitors to trade fairs in India, including under BSM; number of Business Visas issued: (December 2022)

S. No	Activity (trade fair)	Date and venue	Number of participants from the relevant country	List of large/ key participants from the	Number of Business Visas issued (December 2022)	Feedback received (Max.200 words)

				relevant country		
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3. Trade and Investment:

a. Significant trends in trade and investment

S.No.	Category	Details of significant trends (Max.200 words)	Analysis (Max. 200 words)
1.	Trade in Goods	In 2019 Austria- India bilateral trade stood at 2.16 billion USD whereas in 2020 it stood at 2.05 billion USD. The decline in trade was due to the outbreak of COVID-19 Pandemic.	
2.	Trade in Services	<p>However, in 2021 the bilateral trade between India and Austria increased to 2.47 billion USD with an increase of 20.48% from the previous year.</p> <p>In 2022, bilateral trade between India & Austria was 2.84 billion USD with an increase of around 15 % from 2021.</p> <p><i>Sources: Statistic Austria</i></p>	
3.	Investment	<p>The Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) from Austria to India has decreased in the year 2022. According to the provisional data available for 2022 on the Austrian National Bank portal, Austria's investments to India was 723 million Euro. According to the revised data on the Austrian National Bank, in 2021 the Austrian direct investment in India was 830 million Euro.</p> <p>Comparing to 2022, there has been a decrease of -12.89 % in FDI from Austria to India for the year 2022.</p> <p>According to the provisional data for 2022 available on the Austrian National Bank website, the inward FDI from India to Austria has also declined. India's investment in Austria was 1106 million Euro in 2022. According to the revised</p>	

		<p>data for 2021, FDI from India to Austria stood at 1145 million Euro.</p> <p>Comparing to 2021, there has been a decrease of -3.40 % in FDI from India to Austria for the year 2022.</p> <p><i>Source: Austrian National Bank (2021- revised data, 2022- provisional data as on May 2023)</i></p>
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b. Opportunities for investments/ assets on offer/major company divestment:

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S.No.	Sector Name (List attached)	Particulars of the asset /company	Contact details
1.	Automotive Industry	More information about the Automotive sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/automotive-industry/	
2.	Chemical Industry	More information about the Chemical sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/chemical-industry/	
3.	Data Center	More information about the Data Center can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/data-center/	
4.	Electronics	More information about the Electronics sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/electronics/	
5.	Environmental Technologies	More information about the Environmental Technologies sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/environmental-technologies/	
6.	Digitalization	More information about the Digitalization sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/digitalization/	
7.	Information and Communication Technology	More information about the Information and Communication Technology sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/information-technology/	
8.	Life Sciences	More information about the Life Sciences sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/life-sciences/	
9.	Logistics	More information about the logistics sector can be found on the following link:	

		https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/logistics/
10.	Mechanical Engineering	More information about the Mechanical Engineering sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/mechanical-engineering/
11.	Tourism	More information about the Tourism sector can be found on the following link: https://investinaustria.at/en/sectors/tourism/

2. Furthermore, Advantage Austria, an initiative from the Federal Chamber of Commerce - Austria, maintains a list of current business opportunities that are either 'offered' or 'wanted' online at:
<https://www.advantageaustria.org/in/Startseite.en.html>

3. For Business opportunities in Austria please visit
<https://ted.europa.eu/TED/browse/browseByBO.do>

- c. Information on tender Notices for projects and procurements of interest to Indian project exporters/ suppliers (USD15 million & above)

S.No.	Tender/ procurement notice No and date	Sector	Value of tender/ procurement
1.	In Austria, all public tenders are listed on the official website	http://www.bbg.gv.at/lieferanten/ausschreibungen/alle/ (The site is in German only) & https://www.usp.gv.at/en/foerderungen-ausschreibungen/vergabeverfahren/ausschreibungsdatenbanken-und-publikationsmedien.html	
2.	Tender notices for opportunities in the public sector in Austria can be also accessed	http://ted.europa.eu/TED/browse/browseByBO.do (Please visit the website and select country-Austria, then select - Business opportunities-Design contest or Contract notice to see tender notices for public works in Austria)	

- d. Trade Queries for Imports/ Exports (if not uploaded on the Indian trade portal)

INDIAN ENQUIRIES (December 2022)

S. No	Enquiry originator	Product with HS Codes	Nature (Import	Value (US\$ million)	Action Taken (Max.200 words)
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			/ Export)		
1.	ANNEXURE-II				Embassy has devised a detailed Performa for responding to trade inquiries. The detailed response is appreciated by most companies.

4. Important India related statements of commercial significance by political leaders, think tanks, chambers, associations etc. / Significant stories/features on India related trade, investment, services and logistic sector, published in foreign journals/dailies, etc.: April 2023

1. Cable car operators “are back stronger than ever”- Inter Alpine Tyrol

<https://www.krone.at/2985287>

The Inter Alpine trade fair in Innsbruck was officially opened on Wednesday. Everything that is of rank and repute in the ropeway industry is also represented there on Thursday and Friday. "We're back, stronger and better than ever before," said Austria's top cable car operator Franz Hörl at the opening. "The fair is a platform for exchange, partnerships and friendships," said Fair Director Christian Mayerhofer. For WK President Christoph Walser, the Inter Alpine is "the leading trade fair in the alpine area and Tyrol is the world market leader in the cable car business".

Innsbruck's Mayor Georg Willi (Greens) said that "the first Inter Alpine took place 50 years ago as a small trade fair in Igls. Today it is the most popular trade fair worldwide in the ropeway business".

Minister of Transport from India special guest

Meanwhile, LH Anton Mattle (ÖVP) reminded that "Tyrol has recognized the opportunity of tourism. With the cable cars, he was significantly advanced. The industry provides added value for the population and secures jobs in the valleys".

India's Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari was welcomed as a special guest. The cable car business is really flourishing there. "In the next five years alone, we will invest five trillion dollars in various projects." Austria and Tyrol are important partners.

650 exhibitors show the latest innovations

Around 650 exhibitors present themselves on around 40,000 square meters of space. The "Tiroler Krone" stopped by to see them. Doppelmayr has been using cable cars as a form of public transport for years. "Cableways do not emit any emissions,

take up little space on the ground and are quick to build and cheap compared to other means of transport," explained Julia Schwärzler.

Ski resorts are currently investing more in summer sports. "Mountain biking is developing into a popular sport, as many routes are being built for families," said Gottfried Gram from Smart Solution. Snow gun manufacturers like Technoalpin also boom when there is little snow. The mountain rescue outfitter Tyromont is also doing good business because, according to marketing manager Bernhard Schönherr, there are unfortunately more and more accidents in the mountains.

New opportunities, but also new challenges for alpine sports

At the Interalpin, it's all about how you can best use the mountain. For many ski areas, the summer program is becoming more and more important. If there is no snow for skiing, you can go down by bike, for example. The ropeway manufacturer Doppelmayr developed new ways of transporting bicycles in gondolas.

Because of the boom in mountaineering, however, mountain rescue is required to do two or three things. "Especially due to the ski touring and e-bike boom since Corona, many people end up in the mountains without experience, know-how and the right equipment," says exhibitor Bernhard Schönherr, "Furthermore, many guests are out and about with dogs on the mountain, which is why Tyromont has a harness for rescuing dogs from gondolas. The harness can also be used for avalanche dogs."

2. India and Russia are planning free trade agreements

<https://www.krone.at/2982910>

There is an advance agreement on a free trade agreement, Indian Foreign Minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar said at an event in New Delhi. Due to Western sanctions over the Ukraine war, the Russian government wants to expand its trade relations with other countries, especially in Asia.

Russia, for example, has become India's most important supplier of crude oil, overtaking Iraq. Imports nearly quadrupled to \$46.33 billion in the 12 months ended March 31. Now the machine imports from India are to be increased. According to Reuters, the Russian government may want to import more than 500 products from the Asian country for cars, planes and trains. The reason: The core industry is becoming increasingly difficult to keep running.

Russian technology, Indian pharmaceuticals

India, in turn, is keen to reduce its growing trade deficit with Russia. The country is the largest supplier of military equipment and the fourth largest market for Indian pharmaceuticals. Foreign Minister Jaishankar said his country's economy could benefit from the technology. The government is therefore working to solve the problems with payments, certification and logistics.

5. Details of trade research, information dissemination activity of the commercial wing (December 2022)

S.No.	Nature of activity (trade research, information dissemination, seminars etc.) (Max.200 words)	Details of Seminar/conference (date/venue, no of participants) or research (Max.200 words)	Details of trade research (title of the report, executive summary, date of publication) (Max.200 words)
1.	Monthly Newsletter December 2022		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media & Entertainment Industry of India • G20 • State Economic Profile- Andhra Pradesh • India at a Glance • India in Cercle-diplomatique magazine • Tourism – Rajasthan • Incredible India • Yoga classes – Embassy of India.
2.	Technotex 2023		22-24 February 2023
3.	CII India Europe Business & Sustainability Conclave		28 Feb- 1 March 2023
4.	India Steel 2023		19-21 April 2023

6. Details of activities conducted out of Trade promotion budget: (FY 2023-24)

S.No.	BE for current financial year	BE for current financial year	Amount Utilized (INR)	Details of Activities
1.	Rs. 4,00,000.00	Rs. 4,00,000.00	Rs. 1,43,102.00	Renewal of the Annual Subscription 2023 for Trade data received from the Statistic Austria.

7. Action taken on the previous JWGs, Joint Commissions, Sub-Commissions etc. *(issues that Mission had to follow up with host government):*

S.No.	Detail of JWG/JEC with date and venue	Action Point (Max. 200 word)	Action Taken (Max. 200 words)
1	15th Session of the India-Austria Joint Economic Commission was held on 20th July 2017, in New Delhi, India.	<p>An operational level virtual meeting was held in between India and Austria in the month of September 2020. Due to the current situation of Covid 19, this step was taken and full JEC meeting would be scheduled once the COVID-19 situation subsides.</p> <p>During the meeting Austrian side proposed a new structure for holding JEC meeting. India's response to the proposal is awaited.</p>	<p>On 8th September 2022, the Indian side conveyed their proposal which has been shared with the Austrian side by the Mission.</p> <p>The next India- Austria JEC will take place in Vienna on 12-13 June 2023.</p>

8. Complaints from foreign buyer/supplier on quality and trade dispute: (December 2022)

Name of Foreign buyer/supplier	Address & contact details of foreign buyer/supplier	Name & address of Indian exporter/importer	Brief description of complaint	The authority to whom the matter was referred and the date on which the matter was referred.

NIL

9. Complaints of Indian exporter/importer: (December 2022)

Name of Foreign buyer/s upplier	Address & contact details of foreign buyer/supplier	Name & address of Indian exporter/importer	Brief description of complaint	The authority to whom the matter was referred and the date on which the matter was referred.

NIL

10. Any other issue of importance (December 2022)

EAM Dr. S. Jaishankar visit to Austria.	31 st December - 3 rd January 2023	Dr. S. Jaishankar, EAM of India, made an official visit to the Republic of Austria from 31 st December -3 rd January 2023. It was his first visit to Austria as India's EAM, and the first such visit for India in 27 years. The visit commemorated the 75 years of India's diplomatic ties with Austria, which were established in 1949. During the visit, EAM held meetings with the Austria president H.E. Mr. Alexander van der Bellen, Austrian Chancellor, H.E. Mr. Karl Nehammer.
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