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Ö-Cert – Quality Framework for Adult Education providers in Austria

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Quality Framework for Adult Education providers in Austria

Ö-Cert is a cooperation between the Austrian Ministry of Education, Science and Research and the Federal States based on Art. 15a B-VG.



Ö-Cert – Quality framework for adult education

Ö-Cert is a system of accreditation of adult education providers. Ö-Cert is a cooperation between the Austrian Ministry of Education, Science and Research and the Federal States.

The legal basis is an agreement according to Article 15a of the Austrian Federal Constitution.

Why Ö-Cert?

With the implementation of Ö-Cert in 2012 common quality standards for adult education providers were established. This ensures a high-quality provider structure – despite the great number and diversity of providers and offers and the different quality management systems in use.

Ö-Cert serves as a European role model. Ö-Cert promotes constant quality assurance measures and fosters professionalization of adult education.

Benefits of Ö-Cert

- **Transparency:** Learners/customers as well as institutions, funders and public authorities can see at a glance who is an Ö-Cert quality provider. The Register of Ö-Cert quality providers is accessible 24/7 on oe-cert.at.
- **Simplified Administration** by elimination of multiple certifications or quality assessments for providers and **equal access to funding for learners** through the nationwide recognition of Ö-Cert
- **Strengthening the profession:** Ö-Cert contributes to quality and professionalization of adult education in Austria

All information on oe-cert.at/meta/english-overview.php.

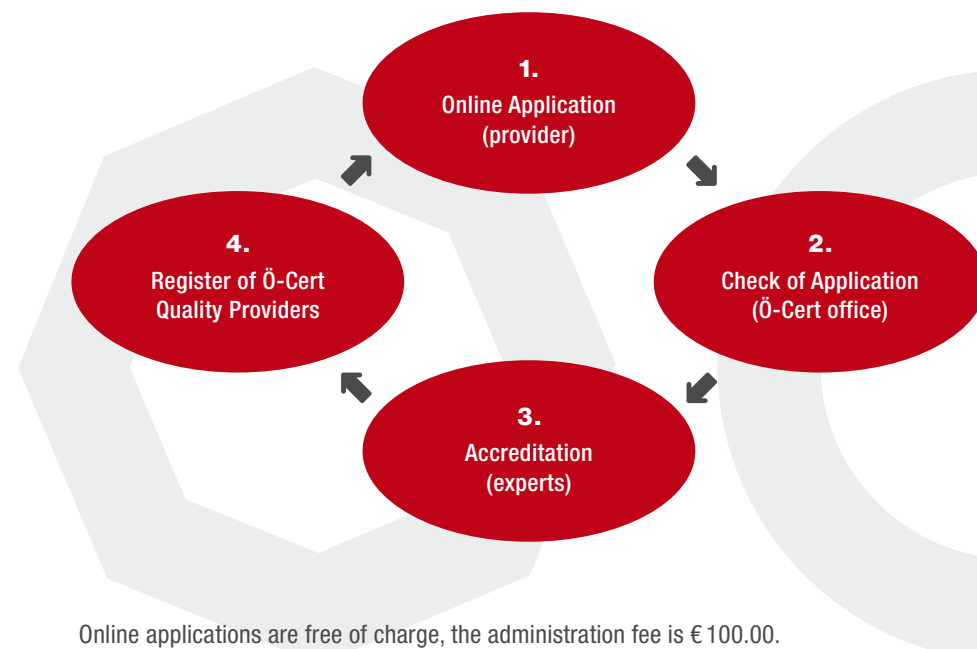
How to become an Ö-Cert quality provider?

Ö-Cert quality providers are organizations whose main task consists in adult education. Applying providers have to meet specific criteria – the **Ö-Cert basic requirements**.

They make sure that

- educational programs are planned and designed by pedagogically educated persons,
- offers must be open to the public and providers have to be in business for at least three years and have to agree on the definitions of LLL, the meaning of adult education and on the human rights,
- adult education providers have a valid quality management system in place, according to the **Ö-Cert-list**.

How to get Ö-Cert?



Online applications are free of charge, the administration fee is € 100.00.

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