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Austrian Rectors' Conference undersigns "The European Charter for Researchers" and
"The Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers"

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In its Plenary Session on January 23rd 2006 the rectors of all Austrian public universities voted unanimously in favour of the Charter and Code published by the European Commission on 11th March 2005.

The member institutions of the Austrian Rectors' Conference are invited to undersign the Charter and Code. The Austrian Rectors' Conference will disseminate as well as promote and pursue its further and timely implementation.

It has to be noted that many aspects of both the Charter and the Code have already been implemented and are part of Austrian university culture. Nevertheless the adoption of the Charter and Code will provide guidelines of orientation that will be frequently consulted by researchers as well as employers.

As a concluding remark the Austrian Rectors' Conference wants to point out that even more has to be done to ensure better mobility of researchers by standardisation, not only regarding the geographical realm of the European Research Area but also beyond its borders.

The European Charter and Code could set a valuable example for the rest of the world.

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