

Short Database Report

Austrian Vegetation Database

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Abstract: The aim of the Austrian Vegetation Database (GIVD ID EU-AT-001) is to gather computerised phytosociological information (vegetation relevés) from the territory of Austria. The data are stored in TURBOVEG format. Large parts of the database have been gathered between 1997 and 1999 and between 2001 and 2003 (partly funded by the Austrian Academy of Science). However, the database is still far from being complete. Especially, ruderal and weed communities and (semi-)aquatic vegetation is only insufficiently covered yet. Due to the absence of funding, progress is rather slow at the moment.

Keywords: Austria; phytosociology; TURBOVEG.

GIVD Database ID: EU-AT-001	Last update: 2012-05-03
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Status: ongoing capture	Period: 1926-2011
Database manager(s): Wolfgang Willner (wolfgang.willner@vinca.at)	
Owner: (private)	
Web address: http://vegedat.vinca.at/	
Availability: free upon request	Online upload: no Online search: no
Database format(s): TURBOVEG	Export format(s): TURBOVEG, MS Access, Excel, plain text file, Cornell
Publication: [NA]	
Plot type(s): normal plots	Plot-size range: 0.1-4000 m ²
Non-overlapping plots: 42,000	Estimate of existing plots: 100,000 Completeness: 42%
Total plot observations: 42,000	Number of sources: 550 Valid taxa: 4,151
Countries: AT: 100.0%	
Forest: [NA] — Non-forest: [NA]	
Guilds: all vascular plants: 100%; bryophytes (terricolous or aquatic): 20%; lichens (terricolous or aquatic): 5%	
Environmental data: altitude: 83%; slope aspect: 63%; slope inclination: 65%; microrelief: 5%; soil depth: 0%; surface cover other than plants (open soil, litter, bare rock etc.): 7%	
Performance measure(s): cover: 100%	
Geographic localisation: GPS coordinates (precision 25 m or less): 3%; point coordinates less precise than GPS, up to 1 km: 18%; small grid (not coarser than 10 km): 58%; political units or only on a coarser scale (>10 km): 124%	
Sampling periods: 1920-1929: 0.1%; 1930-1939: 1.4%; 1940-1949: 1.3%; 1950-1959: 4.2%; 1960-1969: 7.0%; 1970-1979: 18.0%; 1980-1989: 34.0%; 1990-1999: 25.0%; 2000-2009: 8.0%; 2010-2019: 1.0%	
<i>Information as of 2012-07-12; further details and future updates available from ID/EU-AT-001">http://www.givd.info>ID/EU-AT-001</i>	

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