WITH FUNDING BY THE CITY OF VIENNA 13 TOP YOUNG RESEARCHERS HAVE BEEN RECRUITED TO VIENNA SINCE 2010
WE ATTRACT EXCELLENT RESEARCHERS TO VIENNA
TO DATE ALMOST 20 MILLION EUROS HAVE BEEN INVESTED IN PROMOTING YOUNG RESEARCHERS

THEREBY THE CITY OF VIENNA SPONSORED PROGRAMME PROVIDES SIGNIFICANT SUPPORT TO STRONG RESEARCH AREAS IN VIENNA

Approx. 12.5M EUR

LIFE SCIENCES

Approx. 3M EUR

MATHMATICS AND ...

Approx. 3M EUR

ICT

Approx. 1.5M EUR

COGNITIVE SCIENCES
OUR RESEARCHERS COME FROM TOP INSTITUTIONS WORLDWIDE

- Princeton University
- Ludwig Cancer Research
- Howard Hughes Janelia Farm
- Flanders Institute for Biotechnology
- University of Bergen
- Max Planck Institute for Marine Microbiology Bremen
- University of Cambridge
- ETH Zürich
- Inra Saclay Paris
- Helmholtz Zentrum München
- Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf
- Central European University
- University of Cambridge
“Vienna is where young thinkers do research and learn. Here, knowledge and innovation flourish. The excellent results from the VRG programme are what increases our visibility way beyond the boundaries of the city.”

“This programme promotes excellent young researchers at a determining time in their careers and allows them to set up their own research groups. This is the most important foundation for a successful scientific career on both a national and international level.”

Univ.-Prof. Sabine Seidler
Rector of the Vienna University of Technology

Univ.-Prof. Heinz W. Engl
Rector of the University of Vienna
Over the past six calls,

118 applications have been received

with approximately 160 million euros applied for in total.
WELCOME RECEPTION IN THE CITY HALL FOR THE VRG GROUP LEADERS
APPROXIMATELY 20M EUROS FROM THE CITY OF VIENNA WERE MATCHED BY THE VIENNA INSTITUTIONS WITH ADDITIONAL 10M EUROS

In addition, the group leaders received over 10 million euros from competitive funding sources.
strong impulses for research careers in Vienna

early recruitment

with a promised tenure-track position

permanent associate professorship
VIENNA AS AN
ATTRACTIVE RESEARCH HUB

high density of excellent researchers and institutions

excellence in long-term research

one of the most liveable cities in the world

“The City of Vienna enjoys an excellent reputation as a research location which is further strengthened by the VRG programme. In Vienna innovative, creative people can find the best environment to pursue their research career.”

Mag. Renate Brauner
City Councillor of Finance, Economic and International Affairs of the City of Vienna
VRG GROUP LEADERS ARE EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL IN PUBLICATIONS AND IN RAISING ADDITIONAL FUNDING

VRG group leaders are ERC and FWF-Start awardees

- 198 Peer Reviewed Publications
- 21 Affiliate Publications
- 32 Prizes and Grants
OVER 90 POSITIONS HAVE BEEN CREATED AND FINANCED BY THE VRG PROGRAMME

- 13 VRG GROUP LEADERS
- 24 Postdocs
- 22 PhD students
- 18 Master students
- 11 Administrative staff
- ~ 80 ... ADDITIONAL STAFF IN THEIR PROJECTS ...
OUTSTANDING FEMALE RESEARCHERS
IN THE VRG PROGRAMME

Claudine Kraft
VRG 2010

Maria Filipa Baltazar de Lima de Sousa
VRG 2015

Jillian Petersen
VRG 2014
THE VRG PROGRAMME APPLIES THE HIGHEST QUALITY IN SELECTION AND EVALUATION

- **248 international expert reviewers**
- **40 global top-researchers as panel members**
- **professional and transparent process at the Vienna Science and Technology Fund**
- **regular external evaluation of the processes**
REGULAR INTERNATIONAL EVALUATIONS OF THE WWTF CONFIRM THE FUND’S HIGH QUALITY

„Not only universities but also the young researchers value the VRG funding line highly. It gives them the possibility of independent research early in their own career“

„The VRG program is definitely a driver for change in the universities.“

„The WWTF has set up a purely international peer-review process that is living up to highest international standards. It is a professionally safe and sound process.“
WELCOME TO VIENNA

Yearly
VRG hiking trip

WWTF Science Dinner

Cooperation event
Brno-Bratislava-Vienna
MEET THE EXCELLENT RESEARCHERS
IN OUR VIDEO PROFILES

Online videos:
www.wwtf.at/mediathek
AND IT GOES ON – WITH HIGHLY RELEVANT TOPICS

COMPLEXITY SCIENCE

...IN THE CURRENT VRG CALL 2016