

Affordable housing and living in Vienna? - Frequently asked questions about the photo project (FAQ)

What is the photo project "*Affordable Housing and Living in Vienna*"?

The photo project "*Affordable Housing and Living in Vienna*?" is a research project at the Institute for Urban and Regional Research of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW). The project focuses on the effects of rising rental costs (incl. operating costs, energy costs, etc.) for tenants against the background of incomes that do not increase at the same rate.

What is the purpose of this research?

The photo project "*Affordable Housing and Living in Vienna*?" is a qualitative study that attempts to capture the far-reaching consequences of rising housing costs for tenants and the experienced effects in their everyday lives in Vienna. Based on this, we want to derive policy recommendations.

Detailed information can be found on the homepage:

<https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/isr/housing-and-urban-economy/affordable-housing-and-living-in-vienna>

Why should I participate?

Your participation is invaluable in helping us to gain new insights into this important issue, raise awareness and better assess its impact on society. We provide a *platform* for people whose voices are rarely heard to share their stories and experiences and act as *role models* for others. By participating in the project, they also have an *implicit voice in policy making*. We also offer **100 euros in shopping vouchers**.

How can I participate?

By taking part in the photo project, we invite you to contribute your perspective to gain new insights into this important issue of rising rents, raise awareness and better assess its overall impact.

In order to participate in the photo project, the project has defined the following participation requirements.

You have the following requirements:

- *live in Vienna*;

- *and have rented a flat/house/room in the **free rental market** (privately rented accommodation);*
- *feel that the **increase in costs** (rent, housing, utilities, etc.) has an **impact on your daily life**;*
- *have sought consultative help, legal advice or taken legal action;*
- *like to take photographs.*

What do I have to do if I decide to participate?

By taking part in the photo project, you will give us a valuable insight into your everyday life and show us what aspects of rising housing, running and living costs etc. concern you and what significance they have for you.

The project consists of two parts:

After a short *preliminary briefing*, you will *take photographs independently*, which will then be discussed in a *longer conversation*.

More information can be found on the homepage, including a contact form:

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How long does it take to participate?

The duration of participation in the project includes the creation and collection of the photos, for which a period of approximately 2 weeks is planned. The duration of the interview, in which the photos will be discussed, will be approximately 1-2 hours. More detailed information will be discussed at the preliminary briefing meeting.

During which period can I participate in the photo project?

It is possible to take part in the photo project at any time.

What happens to my contact details?

Your contact details, such as those provided on the contact form of the homepage, will only be used to contact you by e-mail or telephone. After your participation in the photo project, the e-mail addresses and phone numbers will be deleted. During the photo project your data will be kept anonymous and will NOT be passed on to third parties.

What happens to my photos and my narrations?

Your shared narrations and photos will be stored at the Institute for Urban and Regional Research (ISR) of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW). Your shared narrations and photos will be and will not be published in any form outside the ÖAW. You can read more about this in our privacy policy.

How is my data protected?

The collection and use of your narrations and photos will be carried out in strict compliance with data protection regulations for the purpose of scientific research (§2d Par 2 FOG). Your personal contact data will only be used for the purpose of contacting you in connection with the photo project "*Affordable Housing and Living in Vienna?*" The data collected for the research project (narratives, photos) will be completely anonymised, so that no conclusions can be drawn about you and your person.

The photo project "*Affordable Housing and Living in Vienna?*" complies with Austrian and European data protection guidelines.

How can I find out about the results of the project?

To find out more about the photo project and the results, visit the home page (<https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/isr/housing-and-urban-economy/affordable-housing-and-living-in-vienna>) or have a look at the Institute's latest publications (<https://www.oeaw.ac.at/isr/publikationen/gesamtverzeichnis>).

Who can I contact if I have further questions?

If you have further questions, please send us an e-mail: leistbareswohnen@oeaw.ac.at

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