

modes in addition to public transportation. These charging stations are also powered with green electricity.

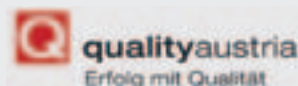
The Electronic Filing System Has Proven Environmentally Friendly

The amount of nonhazardous waste generated in 2011 was about 6 tons lower than the year before, but paper consumption rose even though digital print procedures were optimized in

2011 and the amount of printed publications was reduced. The increase in paper consumption was primarily due to inventory fluctuation, however. An analysis of the trend of paper consumption over several years shows that the introduction of the electronic filing system, double-sided printing and a number of less visible measures contributed to significantly reducing printing and photocopying paper consumption.

EMAS Validation and Registration

This Sustainability Report, which consists of the Annual Report, the Intellectual Capital Report and the Environmental Statement of the Oesterreichische Nationalbank, has been validated in accordance with the EMAS Regulation by Quality Austria Training, Certification and Evaluation Ltd, located at Zelinkagasse 10/3, 1010 Vienna, Austria, AT-V-004, an independent certification, evaluation and validation organization.



The Lead Verifier herewith confirms that the environmental policy, the environmental program, the environmental management system, the environmental review, the environmental audit procedure and the present Sustainability Report of the company conform to Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 (EMAS Regulation) and validates the relevant information for the Environmental Statement in accordance with Annex IV point B (a) to (h).

Moreover, Quality Austria confirms that this report has been drafted in accordance with the G3 Sustainability Reporting Guidelines 2006 of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), that the data and information correspond to the documentation examined in the organization and that the information provided in the GRI content index (which is available at www.oenb.at) is correct, so that Quality Austria can confirm the organization's self-assessment at a reporting level of B+.

Vienna, March 2012

Konrad Scheiber
Managing Director,
Quality Austria

Martin Nohava
Lead Verifier

Martina Göd
Verifier

The next update of the environmental statement will be published as part of the OeNB's Sustainability Report in May 2013.