

Approaches to protect and promote traditional regional foods in Austria

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"Regional" - consumer perception

 Approaches to protect traditional regional products by intellectual property rights
PDO, PGI (EU-Reg. 510/2006)
Traditional Knowledge - WIPO
Register on Traditional Foods in Austria

Promotion of regional traditional products along the foodchain Austrian Regions of Delight

Regional Food – Regional perceptions



75% believe that products from a region will in the future be more important for consumers

Federal Provinces:

Food of one's own region, 100 km around the hometown, products from regional farmers or local small enterprises

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- Regional concepts: highly attractive,
- Central is identifying oneself with homeland ("our food"), short transport distances, support of the regional agriculture and economy

Capital Vienna:

- Food from Austria
- Regional concepts: minor identification with specific regions
- Regionality hardly plays a role in the daily buying behaviour
- Motives: solidarity with Austrian producers

Protection of regional products by Intellectual Property Rights



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- Disclosure of Traditional Knowledge (TK) [WIPO] relation to know-how and local community
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PDO and PGI in AUSTRIA (EC Reg 510/2007)



8 Protected Designations of Origin (PDO)



Gailtaler Almkäse
Tiroler Almkäse/Alpkäse
Tiroler Bergkäse
Tiroler Graukäse
Vorarlberger Alpkäs
Vorarlberger Bergkäse
Wachauer Marille
Waldviertler Graumohn
Hard cheese made from raw cow's milk from cows and possibly goats (<10%)
Hard cheese made from raw cow's milk, produced on alpine pastures
Hard cheese made from cow's raw milk
Acid-curd cheese made from cow's milk
Hard cheese made from cow's raw milk
Hard cheese made from cow's raw milk
Grey Poppy – rich on unsaturated fatty acids

5 Protected Geographical Indications (PGI)



Steirisches KürbiskernölDark viscous oil produced from Styrian pumpkin seedsTiroler SpeckUncooked cured pork meatGailtaler SpeckCured pork meatMarchfeldspargel:Asparagus – exclusively from the Marchfeld regionSteirischer KrenStyrian horseradish

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What is Traditional Knowledge (TK) ?



Traditional – transmitted between generations

Local – distinctively associated with community, its culture and identity

Knowledge – originates from intellectual activity, in a wide range of contexts

WIPO Traditional Knowledge can be characterized as knowledge which is

- generated, preserved and transmitted in a traditional context;
- distinctively associated with the traditional or indigenous culture or community which preserves and transmits it between generations;
- linked to a local or indigenous community through a sense of custodianship, guardianship or cultural responsibility;

- "knowledge" in the sense that it originates from intellectual activity in a wide range of social, cultural, environmental and technological contexts .

"Traditional" - no common understanding

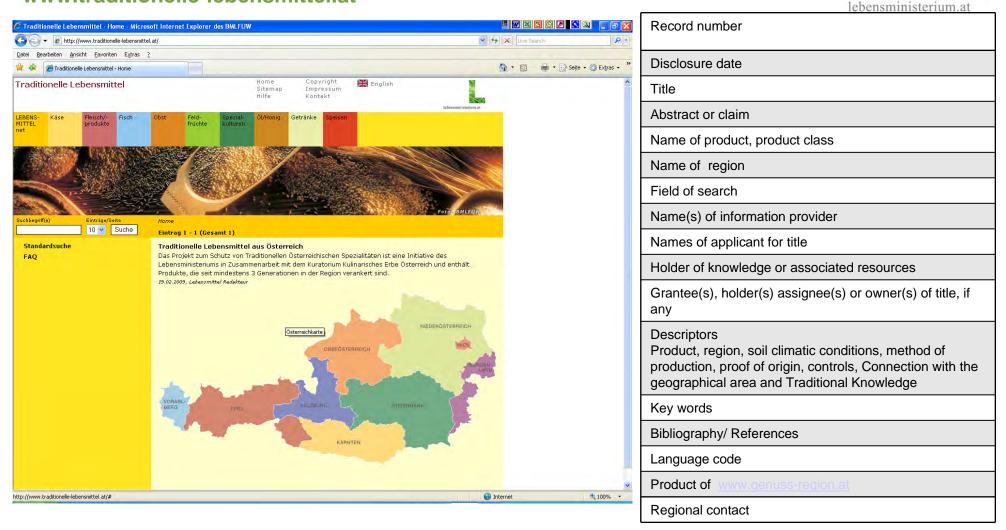
Traditional – transmitted between generations



- **25 years** Traditional Specialities Guaranteed (EC Reg. 509/2006) List of Polish Traditional Products
- 40 years Culinary heritage of Switzerland
- **50 years** Traditions-Tastes-Regions Collection (Hungary) <u>www.food-from-bavaria.de</u> (Bavaria) Food Standards Agency (UK) for labelling purposes
- >70 years (prior to World War II) EuroFIR (European Food Information Resource Consortium)
- **75 years** Austrian register on traditional foods. Three generations will ensure sustainable knowledge transfer between generations.
- **100 years** Chinese and Japanese traditional crafts

Register on Traditional Foods in Austria

www.traditionelle-lebensmittel.at





Initiative REGION OF DELIGHT AUSTRIA





REGION OF DELIGHT AUSTRIA - AIMS



Strengthening Austria's regions and their typical culinary specialities

Creating awareness and improving the visibility of Austria's agricultural products and specialities

Promoting cooperation between agriculture, food industry, the catering and tourist business and trade

Raising the general appreciation of Austrian farmers and food manufacturers

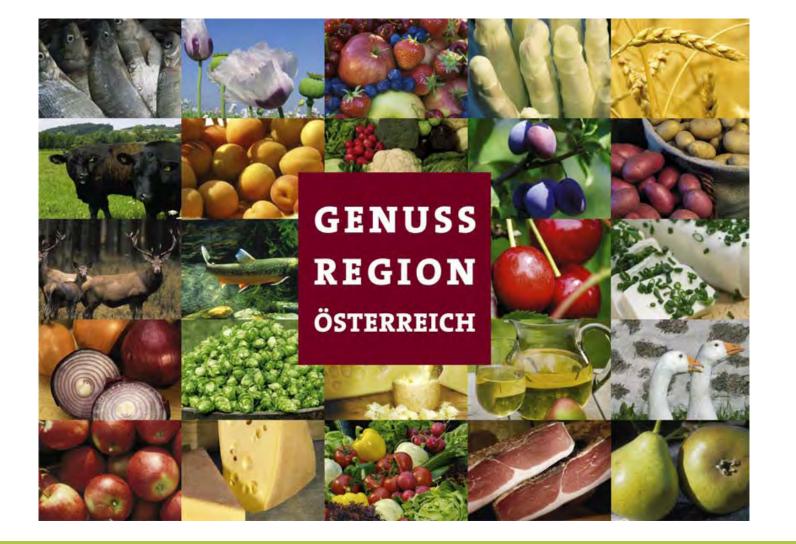
Adding value to the regions and raise attractiveness of rural areas



- Key product which is characteristic of the region
- > Raw material from the region, processed in the region
- Key product is rooted in agriculture, economy, tourism industry, hotel and catering industry of the region
- Names of the regions are oriented toward prevailing crops, raw materials and food of the first and second processing stage

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REGION OF DELIGHT AUSTRIA - Signposts





REGION OF DELIGHT AUSTRIA – STRATEGIC GOALS



Establishing sustainable organizational structures (regional associations, marketing company)

Developing attractive products and services for consumers and tourists

Boosting regional partnerships in order to enhance cooperation between farmers, trade, retailers and gastronomy

Strengthening cooperation for trans-regional and international marketing of products and services of Regions of Delight Austria

Image building and promotion of the trademark GENUSS REGION ÖSTERREICH (Region of Delight Austria)

Training and professionalization of actors and disseminators in the region by seminars and other educational tools

Genussregionen Marketing (GRM GmbH) - TASKS



Producers	Training in marketing and communication, development of innovative packages with regional products. Award "Goldene G-Nuss"
Trade	Sustainable establishing of GRÖ products in trade and retail (campaign GenussWochen). Award "Genuss partner trade"
Gastronomy	Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter GenussWochen Award "Genuss Wirt" of the year.
Tourism	Presentation of GRÖ at international tourism fairs, cooperation with Austrian tourism offices; electronic hotel booking system "tiscover". Tourism Award.
Events	7 national, > 121 regional / local (2009)
Periodical	GENUSS.spezilitäten.pur