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General Data	
Name of instrument:	Revitalisation of old buildings (= Revitalisierungsfonds)
Country / region:	AT
Spatial level:	federal state
Type:	Economic instruments
Subtype:	Subsidies and local business development
Description:	The Revitalisation Fund in the Austrian federal state of Steiermark is promoting the revitalisation of historic building substance for residential and commercial purposes. Revitalisation measures need to be in accordance with regulations of historical monument protection (= Denkmalschutz).
General objectives:	Revitalisation of historical buildings, fostering of regional identity, positive labour market effects (= promotion of traditional craftsmanship)
Responsible:	Federal state/Province authority
Stakeholder Involved:	Private individuals
Reference:	http://www.raumplanung.steiermark.at/cms/beitrag/10219706/1115050/
General assessment of strength and weakness:	Strength: - encouragement of private initiative
Metadata:	Date of entry: 10/09/2007 Contact: Ifuplan, Schleißheimer Str. 156, 80797 München
Implementation	
Legal status:	not-mandatory
Extension:	rarely (< 25%)
Comment:	Of 200 applications for funding per year, 120 are being approved and implemented.
Type of monitoring:	none
Preconditions for implementation:	Financial resources, legal basis and private initiative.
Best practise example (1):	Contest "Styrian Landmarks 2006" (= Steirische Wahrzeichen 2006)
Example Abstract (1):	Annual contest, awarding remarkable examples of revitalisation in Styria, ranging from residential houses to new uses for so-called Kellerstöckl (= small barns formerly used for agricultural purposes).

Period of validity:	since 2003
Assessment	
Relevance	
Status:	weak direct relevance
Ranking:	3
Acceptance	
Status:	Municipal administration/Local politicians, Local economy/Lobby groups, Environmental NGOs, Municipal residents/individuals, Superordinate administrations and authorities
Ranking:	5
Implementation	
Status:	Less than 25% of spatial entities have endorsed the instrument
Ranking:	3
Feasibility	
Status:	Budget, staff, know-how, political will
Ranking:	2
Effectiveness	
Status:	Direction of effect, acceptability
Ranking:	2