

VDTR Monitoring - One page Summary

VDTR Objectives (contribution to the university's strategy)

International visibility: Theology, Divinity & Religious Studies are ranked second of the disciplines at the University of Vienna according to QS-World University Ranking 2023 and 28th worldwide. We want to make the University of Vienna the top international location for doctoral education in theology and research on religion.

Interdisciplinarity: The VDTR is internationally unique: nowhere else in the world are so many different institutes and disciplines of research on religion united under one roof.

Excellence and capacity building: The VDTR is committed to building excellence *and* capacity, as some of our doctoral students from Africa, Asia and Latin America are likely to take up important positions after graduation and become major agents of social change.

The VDTR in numbers

- In the first 1.5 years of its existence, the VDTR was able to recruit **40 supervisors and 96 doctoral students** from the University of Vienna as members.
- The VDTR supervisors come from several disciplines in 5 different faculties
- **The VDTR is international**: One third of our PhD students (34%) come from outside the European Union, almost half (49%) from non-German speaking countries.



- In the first term, **80% of the funds directly benefited the VDTR doctoral students**, the remaining 20% were spent on the school's administrative staff and on promotional activities. We intend to retain this proportion in the next funding period.

	Budget 2021/22	Budget 2023
Personnel expenses	159924	254339
Funding schemes	13238	35000
Events & Activities	11407	8500
Networking & Promotion	3815	3100
Total	188384	300939