

## Austrian Research and Support Center for Gifted and Talented (ÖZBF)

The Austrian Research and Support Centre for the Gifted and Talented (ÖZBF) is Austria's national centre for the promotion of giftedness research and talent support (since 1999). The tasks of the ÖZBF are:

- Strategic Support of the Ministry of Education regarding talent support and giftedness research
- Developing and evaluating concepts of effective talent support (e.g. mBET, mBETplus, mBET-Excellence)
- Research on relevant issues of giftedness and support (e.g. teacher talent beliefs)
- ÖZBF Congress
- information (e.g. homepage, answers to FAQs)
- Development of initial and further teacher education
- Contribution to school and curriculum development (e.g. teaching methods for supporting gifted students)
- Embedding talent support and research in the curricula of initial and further teacher education
- (Founding) member in networks and research associations (e.g. International Panel of Experts for Gifted Education – iPEGE)

### Mission statement on talent support and giftedness

For the Austrian Research and Support Centre for the Gifted and Talented, the development of giftedness and talent is a dynamic, continuous and lifelong process. Giftedness develops and interacts with a person's ability to learn and the learning stimuli of the respective environment.

The aim of the ÖZBF is to create a learning environment that promotes giftedness and excellence.

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