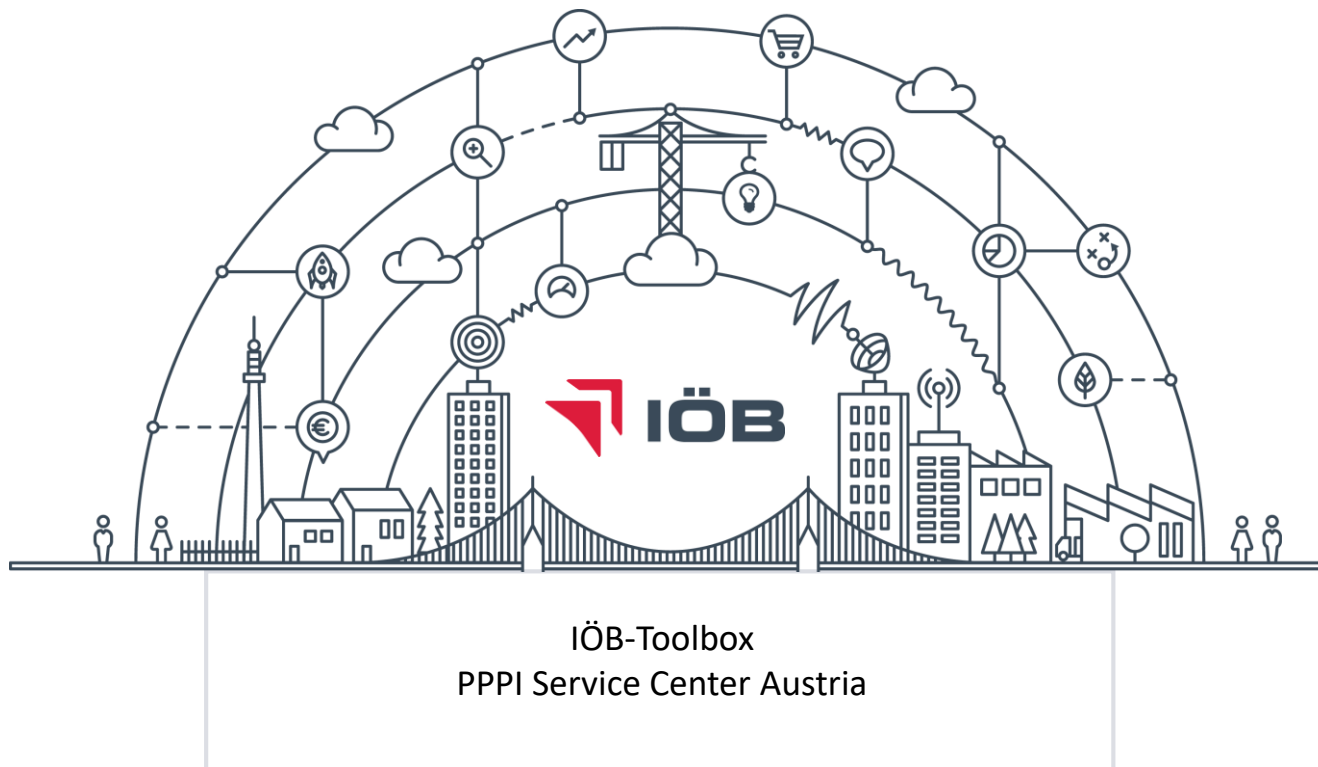


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# PPPI Service Center

**We build  
bridges.**

Connecting public procurers  
and innovative companies.

**Our Goal:**

Modern, efficient and service  
oriented administration.



Innovation Platform



Networking & Events



Strategic PPPI Consultancy



Trainings



Pilot Projects



Financial Support

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# **IÖB-Toolbox**

**Financial support for your public project**

## Initial Setup

- The IÖB-Toolbox was set up in April 2019 financed by the „Austrian national fund“
- Total funding available was **2 Million Euros** for the first period of April 2019 to December 2020
- The funding was conducted through the Austria Wirtschaftsservice (Austrian funding bank)
- The PPPI Service center provided consultancy for interested parties and promoted the funding opportunity through ist channels.
- An expert jury was established to evaluate Innovation procurement projects (including the PPPI Service Center)
- In 2020 the maximal percentage of project costs that could be funded was **increased** from 50 % to **100 %** due to the Covid-19 crisis

Financial support for the procurement of an innovative solution

# IÖB-Toolbox



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[www.ioeb.at/toolbox](http://www.ioeb.at/toolbox)

## Two modules:

### 1. PPPI-Transfer

- Financial support for innovative procurement projects
- Max. 100.000 EUR or up to 90 % of eligible project costs

### 2. PPPI-Prepare

- Supports consulting costs for the design and implementation of PPPI challenges on the Innovation Platform [www.ioeb-innovationsplattform.at](http://www.ioeb-innovationsplattform.at)
- Financial support of up to 15.000 EUR for public procurers employing third party consultants that utilize the Innovation Platform.

## Who will be funded?

- Public contracting authorities pursuant to the Austrian Federal Public Procurement Act

## Development

- It took several months until the end of 2019 before the public community saw the potential of the new funding opportunity.
- The first months saw few applications for the funding
- Starting from March 2020 a high number of applications were recorded and the total available funds were exhausted by September 2020
- About **25 projects** were supported through the „**Transfer module**“ another **three** were supported through the „**Prepare module**“
- Due to the great demand in 2020 the ministry of climate change decided to provide further funds and the Toolbox could be **renewed for 2021**

## Learnings

- It takes time to establish a new funding scheme for public buyers. Getting the information to the relevant stakeholders takes time and they need to be able to integrate them into their yearly budgets.
- European regulations like „de-minimis“ can be a roadblock for public companies to use the offered funds
- Application forms should be as simple as possible so that small public entities like municipalities do not struggle with the application
- It takes time for some projects to get them from first contact to an actual application – and perseverance from the side of the consulting organisation.



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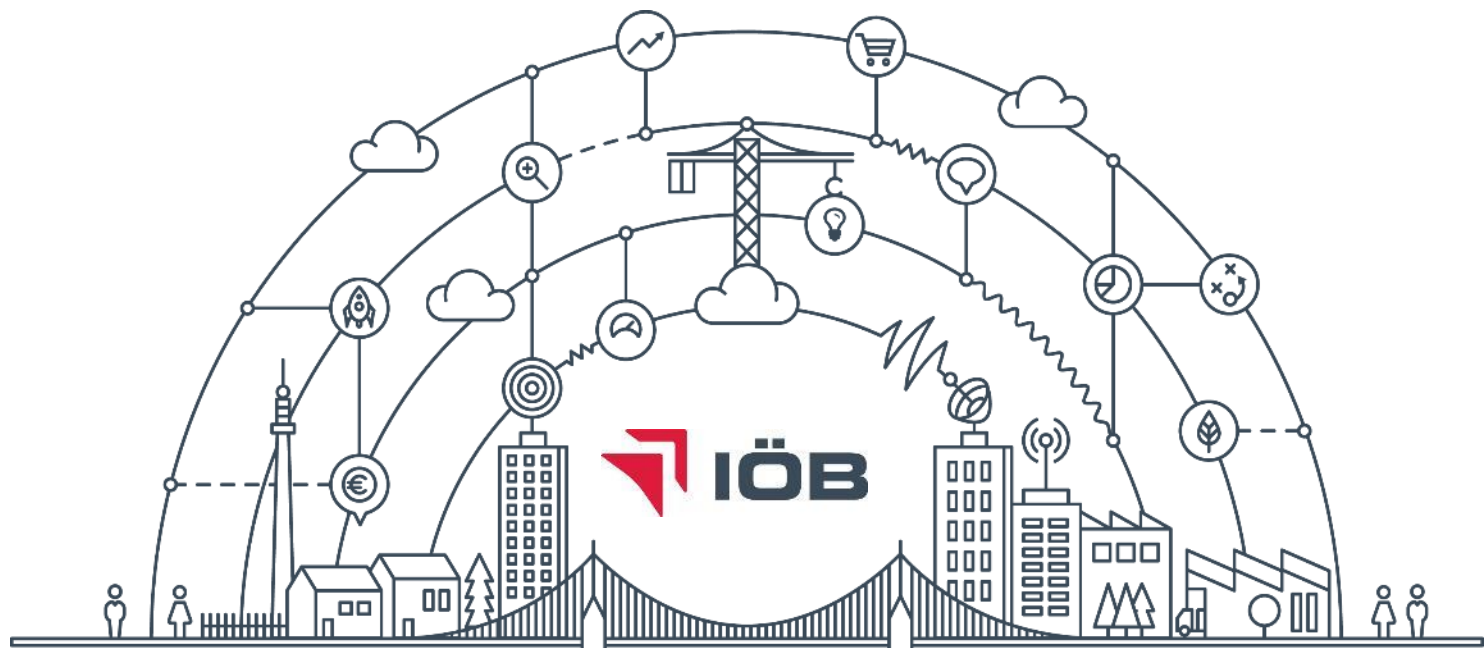
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