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Information on National Sustainable Development Strategy (NSDS) or its equivalent

Country	Austria
Strategy Title	The Austrian Strategy for Sustainable Development – An Initiative of the Federal Government
NSDS Website	http://www.nachhaltigkeit.at
Coordinating Body	Committee for Sustainable Austria
(Name & Website)	Website: n/a
Strategy Status	Yes: NSDS being implemented [] Under development [] No NSDS
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	As regards the interfaces between the federation and the federal state level, a standing committee of "provincial sustainability coordinators" meets with representatives from the provincial level at regular intervals, and reports to the Conference of the Environmental Ministers of the "Länder".
	Meantime the 2nd Progress Report on the implementation of the Austrian Strategy for Sustainable Development was submitted to the Council of Ministers. The report is based on the Work Programme 2004 and shows the measures and initiatives set during the past two years. It also provides information on relevant trends and on the development with respect to the key objectives as stated in the Strategy by means of a separate Indicator Report.

Currently a Federal SD Strategy (common strategy on both national and regional
level) is under development. The adoption of the Federal SD Strategy by th
Council of Ministers is scheduled for spring 2010. It will be the first common SI
strategy on both national and regional level in Europe.
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