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Organisation	The Savings Banks Association »Verein DIE ERSTE österreichische Spar-Casse Privatstiftung« elects the members of the Supervisory Board and approves the funding budget. The Supervisory Board appoints the members of the Managing Board and supervises the management of the foundation. The Managing Board manages the business of the foundation. Headquarters: Am Belvedere 1, 1100 Vienna, Austria
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Facts and figures	ERSTE Foundation is the core shareholder of Erste Group Bank AG. It owns a stake of 12.41% and together with its syndicate partners 26.42% of Erste Group shares.

ERSTE Foundation's total project expenditure 2005–31 May 2026 amounts to € 201.6 million, with more than 2,560 projects implemented or supported since 2005.

Projects

ERSTE Foundation is a creative workshop for ideas and innovation, a lab for topics of the future which increases its effectiveness through the strategic cooperation with networks. Our activities in four thematic areas are based on the believe that most people want others to do well and should be supported to do so, that financial literacy is life literacy, that the European idea is worth fighting for, that culture is a central part of our identity and that every society needs Culture.

