

**Masterarbeit am Institut für Ökologischen Landbau
AG Transdisziplinäre Systemforschung**

Topic	Life with GMOs: The resilience of the Austrian seed system
Goal	To create a picture of the current seed saving, use and storage systems in Austria in light of the GMO movement
Description	The Austrian public is known for being a strong opponent of GMOs, however, whether it is through feed, imported goods or loosening of EU rules, GMOs continue to find their way into Austrian everyday life. The aim of this work is to understand the current strategies, capacities and worries of Austrian seed companies, whether focused on rare and heritage sorts to commonly used seeds, in light of seed patenting and regulation in the era of GMO use.
Methods	Qualitative interviews with seed company owners and associations as well as expert interviews with agricultural policy makers, etc.
Region	Europa
Focus	Social Science
Time plan	Ab sofort
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