



Austrian Child Benefit Process

Once-Only Conference Cluj Napoca

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Pre-Implementation Setup Facts & Figures

- 80.000 birth cases per year
- Personal data from 160.000 persons were requested/processed
- Parents have to provide evidence of many different facts
- Up to 6 different (public) authorities were involved
- 80% of children received family allowance
- 4,6 billion euros per year transfered



Engaged authorities

- Civil Registry Office
 - Issues the birth certificate
 - Issues the certificate of citizenship
- Court, Youth Welfare Office or Civil Registry Office
 - Acknowledgement of paternity (fatherhood)
- Administrative District Authority
 - Change of family name
 - Notation of the child in the parents' passport
- Residence Registry Office
 - Registration of the residence of the baby
- Social Security Insurance
 - Registration of the evidence of a new person
 - Application for/approval of childcare allowance
- Local Tax Authority
 - Application for/approval of family allowance



Initially Requested Data/Evidences

- Identification of parents (passport, identification card,...)
- Birth certification of parents
- Certificate of marriage (if parents are married)
 - Certificate of divorce
 - Certificate of registered partnership
- Evidence of residence of parents
- Evidence of academic degrees of parents
- Evidence of acknowledgement of fathership
- Notification of Change of family name
 - If child is acknowledged and shall get the father's family name

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Project "One-Stop-Shop Birth" History

- Starting point was a 2007 Ministerial Council Decision
- Aimed at abolishing fees and modernizing administration in connection with the birth of a child
- Maximum project goal: With a single contact to the authorities arrange the application for childcare benefit
- Roll out: May 2015



Project "One-Stop-Shop Birth" Process

- Parents have to visit only the civil registry office
- No evidences except their personal identification
- Exception: Subsidiaries in hospitals



Pre 2015 Process

Perspective of Parents



Office or Civil Registry Office Quelle: Michaela Führer, init

Current One-Stop-Process

Perspective of Parents



Quelle: Michaela Führer, init

Once-only Principle Implementation Benefits for Citizens & Public Administration

- Benefits for citizens:
 - Reduced administrative burden
 - Simplified, faster and more convenient procedures
 - Social Insurance and Tax Authority deliver their services automatically (non-stop-service)
 - Better coverage of entitled receipients higher satisfaction

- Benefits for public administration:
 - Increased efficiency and effectiveness
 - Reduced personal contacts to citizens save resources
 - Seamless process reduces risk of errors
 - Sharing and re-using of data enables legal obligations to be fulfilled faster
 - Better quality of data through single data collection (civil register)
 - Fraud prevention through automatic proof of entitlement on basis of validated data (registers)

Next Steps

- Extended Family Allowance (FABIAN)
 - Planned to improve the whole service delivery

process of family allowance (not only for newborns)

- E.g. family allowance for students till the age of
 - 25

- Access to further data sources is required
 - More personal data have to be collected and

processed (e.g. access to "Bildungsdatenbank" – database for educational certificates)



Thank you!

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