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Subject: Change of the legal basis for Inland Waterways Statistics

Dear Madams and Sirs,

The legal basis for the survey of Inland Waterways Statistics in Austria is the national regulation BGBI. II Nr. 129/2005. This regulation has recently been changed two times with regulation BGBI. II No. 443 of 22 December 2011 and regulation BGBI. II No. 18 of 23 January 2012. The changes basically refer to cited updates of regulations therein.

Though, there is an essential change concerning the **delition of the criteria "country of origin" and "country of destination"**. Therefore the existing form has been changed and these criteria will not be requested anymore.

The updated form "Zählkarte für Schiffe im Güterverkehr" is available at the **lock Ottensheim**, where you can drop the filled out forms in a provided letter box. Statistics Austria provides also an **English version of the form**, the "Survey for vessels in freight transport". The English form is also available at the lock Ottensheim.

Both forms can also be **sent to Statistics Austria electronically**. Therefore fill out the electronic form which is available as pdf data set on the homepage of Statistics Austria ($\underline{www.statistik.at}$). Please chose the category \rightarrow "Fragebögen" \rightarrow "Unternehmen" \rightarrow "Erhebung zur Binnenschifffahrtstatistik". Click the button "send" which you can find top right on the form to send the filled out form to Statistics Austria.

If you have any question in this context please contact us: Phone number +43 (1) 711 28-7561, Monday until Friday from 8.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. You also have the opportunity to send us a fax to +43 (1) 715 68 29 or an e-mail to Schifffahrt@statistik.gv.at.

All provided information will be handled **strictly confidential** and will only be used for statistical purposes.

Kind regards
Brigitte Weninger

Enclosures: Examples of Zählkarte für die Binnenschifffahrt, Survey form for vessels in freight transport