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Vienna office market: Vienna Research Forum publishes its figures for the 1st quarter of 2023

- Take-up in the first quarter at approx. 39,150 m²
- Largest rental accounts for 9.04% of the total take-up
- Vacancy rate amounts to 3.91%

In the first quarter of 2023, take-up on the Vienna office market totalled $39,152 \text{ m}^2$ – around 32.17% more than in the fourth quarter of 2022 and 8.85% more than in the first quarter of 2022.

This is what the results of the Vienna Research Forum (VRF) show after evaluating the current key data of the Vienna office market. The VRF only takes into account modern office space built after 1990 or that has been completely renovated and office space which meets certain quality criteria such as indoor climate, elevators, or IT standards.

According to the Vienna Research Forum, the largest take-up was the pre-lease of $3,540 \text{ m}^2$ in the Inner Districts submarket. This corresponds to 9.04% of the total take-up on the Vienna office market in the first quarter. Another large-scale letting was registered in the North submarket with $2,310 \text{ m}^2$. A total of 47 lettings were recorded in the first quarter – 18 less than in the previous quarter and 9 more than in the first quarter of 2022.

A total of 51,126 m² were reported to the VRF, of which 39,152 m² were new leases and pre-leases and 5,679 m² were subleases. This amounts to a total of 44,831 m² which are relevant to the VRF. In the first quarter, the portfolio for new leases in the North submarket increased by 3,300 m².

new leases	pre-leases
67% (26.238m ²)	33% (12.914m ²)

Vacancy rate at 3.91% in the 1st quarter

In the first quarter of 2023, the vacancy rate in the VRF portfolio of modern office buildings in Vienna stands at 3.91%. The vacancy rate increased by 0.01% compared to the previous quarter and decreased by 0.29% compared to the first quarter of 2022.

The submarket with the lowest vacancy rate was Central Station with 1.04% and the submarket with the highest rate was AirportCity Vienna with 9.63%, closely followed by the Wienerberg submarket with 8.35%.

For the first time in September 2016, the VRF collected the total stock of modern office space for Vienna which it updated at the end of the first quarter of 2023: it amounts to 5.996.386 m^{2**}, of which 63% belong to class A and 37% to class B real estate according to VRF standard. Furthermore, the vacancy rates of all projects were reviewed and updated.

Submarket analysis Q1 2023, including vacancy and take-up:

Submarket name	Total usable building floor area in m²	Total class A usable building floor area in m²	Total class B usable building floor area in m²	Vacancy rate in %	Total new lease volume Q1 2023
Inner Districts - CBD	2.209.588	1.015.498	1.194.090	3.23%	11.118
Donaucity	537.736	287.634	250.102	3.35%	1.622
Prater/Lassallestraße	754.083	668.495	85.588	5.30%	5.072
Erdberg - St, Marx (East)	692.392	586.229	106.163	3.01%	1.666
Central Station	519.820	424.754	95.066	1.04%	489
Wienerberg (South)	460.111	323.745	136.366	8.35%	3.684
North	456.592	252.517	204.075	3.84%	9.581
West	259.117	147.733	111.384	4.89%	4.135
Airportcity Vienna	106.947	70.147	36.800	9.63%	1.718
Gesamt	5.996.386	3.776.752	2.219.634	3.91%	39.148









The Vienna Research Forum:

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* The take-up registered by VRF only refers to new leases, pre-lets and subleases, renewals of rental agreements are not included.

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