Background: The second edition of this successfully incepted collaborative conference series focuses on the theme of data and politics -- asking questions such as the following: What is the state-of-the-art research providing evidence for policymaking in Austria? How might the process of accumulating the facts necessary for evidence-based decision-making be affected when policymakers are responding to political incentives? Might evidence itself become an issue of political debate? What does "post-truth" political rhetoric imply for the future of evidence-based policymaking?

The conference aims to foster exchange on conceptual, policy-related, and methodological issues among researchers and policymakers. The conference also provides space for discussions on imminent yet enduring questions regarding the relationship between evidence and policymaking and providers of evidence (aka experts) and policymakers.

Target Audience: Researchers and academics in the field of policy research in Vienna and policymakers. The conference serves as a “meet and greet” for researchers from IHS, WIFO, and CEU, but welcomes researchers from other institutes and universities, policymakers, and the wider public, to showcase exciting new research in the field of applied evidence-based policymaking.

Conference Format: One-day gathering (session length TBD)

Contributions: Accepted are contributions from researchers based in Austria. The topic of the different parts of the conference will be clustered based on the proposed papers.

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