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#### Projects and initiatives at the Federal College and Institute for Viticulture and Pomiculture Klosterneuburg

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## History

- School was opened 1860
- 1870 the federal research station was founded
- Experimental areas
  - Agneshof/vines
  - Haschhof/fruit
  - Götzhof/vine breeding

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- Combination of
  - Federal Institute, an experimental and research station
  - Federal College, a higher college for viticulture and pomology





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## Introduction and Presentation of the research work of the different institutes

- Institute for Viticulture and Enology
  - Primary goal: production of first class grape material as a basis for vinification
  - Highest standards of quality





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# Introduction and Presentation of the research work of the different institutes

- Institute for Pomiculture and Fruit Processing
  - economical and ecological oriented, with special regard to commercial fruit growing
  - The development of planting procedures and processing methods for potentially important cultivars is important for both traditional and innovative high – quality fruit products



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# Introduction and Presentation of the research work of the different institutes

- Insitute for Chemistry and Biology
  - Center of high quality and officially recognized analysis of wine and fruit products
  - Analysis of micro-organisms as well as studies with plant physiology





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### Federal college

- At first central European and only Austrian educational centre offering a school leaving exam in the field of viticulture and pomiculture (5 years).
- Feel indebted to tradition and innovation
- The close cooperation with the research department gives the students a competitive edge in their professional life



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### Federal college

- Practice oriented knowledge transfer, projects with partner companies as well as the high professional standards make our students competent graduates who are in great demand
- Based on a general education in the field of
  - human sciences and languages (german, english, second foreign language, communication and presentation skills, history, political science and geography)
  - natural science (chemistry of fruit and wine, microbiology and hygiene, engineering mechanics, pest management)



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#### Federal college

- Special field production
  - Viticulture, pomiculture, technology of grapeprocessing, technology of fruit and vegetable processing
- Business Management and Law (economics, marketing and management, project management, law)





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### Structure

- Research and Development
  - publications
- Education
  - experimental report
  - these projects
  - student apprentices
- Further Education
  - engineers examination
  - Legaliplomanéxamination
    - export certificates
    - cultivar identification
    - quality certificates for wines
  - Services
    - courses
    - counselling
    - expert reports
    - experts

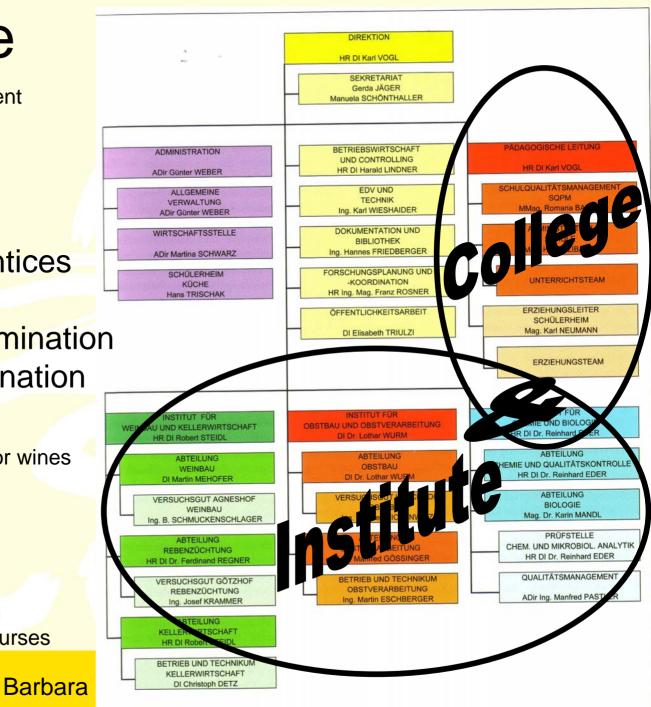
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material examination

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wine appreciation courses

Abb. 1: Organigramm 2010



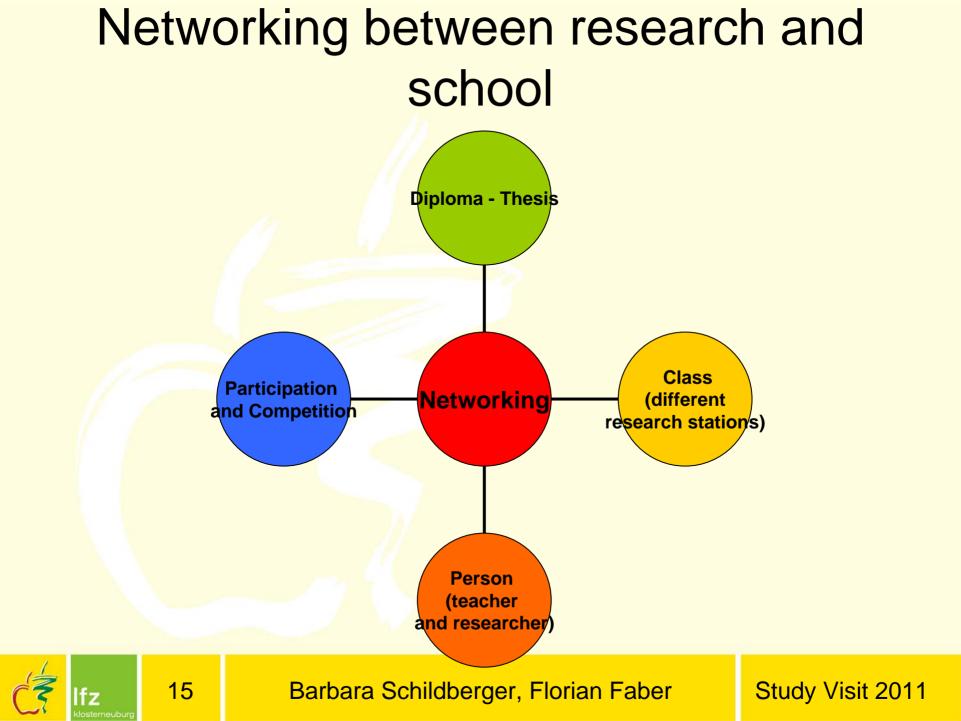
#### Structure

- The Directorate is responsible for the management of the College and Institute, as well as the management of the home for students.
- Currently to 156 posts 165 people are employed, of which 34 are used as teacher.
  - 13 people have to act the role as teacher and as a research assistant
  - 17 people are only teachers

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- 4 people teach and act as well as operations manager
- Because of the close personal ties between the scientific sector and the educational sector valuable synergies for both the knowledge and for research and experimentation are given

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#### **Projects and initiatives**

- Diploma Thesis EFFECTS OF PROHEXADIONE – CALCIUM ON THE GRAPE CLUSTER STRUCTURE AND THE SUSCEPTIBILITY TO BUNCH ROT (BOTRYTIS CINEREA) IN THE VARIETY GRÜNER VELTLINER
- 1. Needs one year

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- 2. Students find a supervisor and a topic
- 3. Lessons in scientific working and project management to optimize the working process
- 4. Working scientific on their topics
- 5. Use the facilities of the research stations
- 6. Finish with an oral and written presentation
- 7. Sometimes it leads to a publication in scientific magazines



#### Class (different research stations)

- Lessons of the teacher take place in the field of the different research stations in the lab or in the cellar of the different institutes.
- The teacher and the researcher often presents the different projects (best practice examples)
- Students get to know the processes of high quality production
- The Possibility of making a training at the research institutes

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## **Participation and Competition**

- Working together with different companies (broschure for plant protection)
- Participation with diploma thesis on scientific competitions (Jugend innovativ)
- Participation every year on an international wine challenge
- Girly-day

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#### Person (teacher and researcher)

- Advantages
   Students
  - Actual content
    Better
    understanding of modern scientific
    methods
    Easy connection
    between research
    and education

#### **Teacher (researcher)**

- •Critical feedback from the students
- Social contact
- Students bring new





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#### Person (teacher and researcher)

Disadvantages

#### **Students**

 Actually no disadvantages

#### **Teacher (researcher)**

- No 100% teacher and no 100% researcher
- •Working process can suffer
- •Conflicts between the differents teacher types

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#### Thank you for your attention!





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