

The Findbuch

The General Settlement Fund for Victims of National Socialism has received numerous indices and lists from cooperating institutions for the purpose of processing the applications for compensation of losses of assets and for *in rem* restitution. They enable documents and files on National Socialist property seizures (1938–1945) and on Austrian post-war restitution and compensation measures to be located. This data pertains, for example, to aryanization files and property notices from the holdings of the National Socialist Property Transaction Office. The property notices filed by Jews as per 27 April 1938 can also be called up using the *Findbuch*, as can the files of the Restitution Commissions at the Provincial Courts, the restitution files of the Financial Directorates, or the files of Collection Agencies A and B and the Compensation Fund.

The online *Findbuch* has, for the first time, made it possible to carry out a comprehensive search for people, companies or addresses spanning several archives and various holdings. The online *Findbuch* currently offers **215238 records** and is continually being expanded. As such, it is one of the most comprehensive collections of information on property seizures during the National Socialist era and restitution and post-war compensation measures on the territory of the Republic of Austria. The online *Findbuch* also enables digital searches of historical address books, allowing research to be carried out into residential addresses and company headquarters without the need to register.

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