

Do you want to offer internationally recognized exams for German as a foreign or second language?

As an ÖSD licensee you have the following advantages:

1. Worldwide Recognition

Whether your clientele is looking to study abroad or find a job: the ÖSD exams are recognized world-wide. ÖSD certificates are a valid proof of German language skills for various purposes, ranging from obtaining visas and residence permits to gaining access to most universities in German-speaking countries. In addition, they represent a decisive advantage on the job market. ÖSD exams are certified by ALTE (Association of Language Testers in Europe), which ensures compliance with the highest quality standards, international comparability and thus further recognition.

2. Pluricentricity - three countries, one certificate

The ÖSD fosters a pluricentric language concept and hence wants to reflect this diversity of the German language in its exams. Accordingly, the standard language varieties of the German-speaking countries (Austria – Switzerland – Germany) are regarded as being equivalent and taken into account in the tests. Regardless of whether ÖSD participants later choose to live or stay in Switzerland, Germany or Austria: They will be well equipped to deal with all kinds of different situations they encounter in any of these three countries and they will be understood everywhere.

3. Member of the ÖSD family

The ÖSD is a non-profit organization in the education sector that has been operating successfully worldwide for more than 25 years. Our strengths include providing thorough support and responding to the individual needs of our licensees and examination centers. No matter if you are located in Europe, America or Asia – we are always there for you!

4. Assistance in planning and test administration

The ÖSD supports its licensees and examination centers in the planning and implementation of examination dates. We offer support in form of traditional marketing (flyers, folders, posters, etc.) and by advertising your examination center on our social media channels. In addition, examination dates and offers from your examination center can be accessed by linking from our website to yours.

5. Flexible conditions and licensing modalities

As a licensee, you can decide to what extent you, as an examination center, will be involved in the examination and assessment process. You can use your own examiners once they have successfully completed the training or you can request examiners from the ÖSD headquarters. Depending on your needs and capacities, the individual conditions and license types (status A to D) will then be agreed upon with you.

6. Flexible pricing and no license fees for the first year

In accordance with the agreed conditions and license types (status A to D), the ÖSD sets a minimum annual license fee and the purchase price per test. You can, however, flexibly structure the final prices that you charge your exam participants as you deem appropriate. The ÖSD will take no influence on your final price.

In addition, as a small welcome gift, the license fee for new licensees is waived in the first year!

7. Quality that speaks for itself

ÖSD exams meet the highest quality standards and are regularly subjected to strict specialist evaluations. The experts at the ÖSD also participate intensively in the international discourse in the field of linguistics, particularly pertaining to language assessment and test development. As a co-editor of important core literature such as the "Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)", the "Companion Volume" to the CEFR and "Profile Deutsch", our expertise guarantees professional and reliable calibration of the ÖSD exams at levels A1 to C2.

8. Training for teachers and examiners

Be it via online tutorials or on-site training at your examination center: The ÖSD supports you in the further training of teachers as well as the qualification and training of prospective ÖSD examiners at your location.

9. Fit for the future

With the *Test-Training digital*, the interactive online version of our sample tests, and other innovations currently in development, we are well prepared for a bright future in the field of digital test administration. You can also coordinate your virtual language and exam preparation courses with us. You too can benefit from the digital offer of the ÖSD!

10. Individual solutions and cooperation: With us, you are always one step ahead!

Regardless of whether you need your own placement tests, final tests tailored to your teaching and course program, or language-specific tests – we are happy to share our competence and expertise with you! We do not only develop tests and exams according to individual needs and orders, but are also available for other cooperation projects in the field of language teaching, learning and testing.

If you would like to receive further information, please contact us at marketing@osd.at or visit our website at www.osd.at.

Levels & exams of the ÖSD























