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The Austrian Research Institute for Chemistry and Technology (OFI) stands for progress in good hands. Since its foundation in 1946, the OFI has supported its customers as a testing and research expert in product development and accompanies them through to market launch. As an accredited testing, inspection and certification body and accredited provider od proficiency testing, materials characterization, product testing, materials characterization, product testing and quality monitoring play an important role in OFI's range of services.

Testing and research institute Number of employees Headquarter





"With the support of A-Trust, we have succeeded in digitizing our reporting system. We have been able to provide our customers with digital test and inspection reports since 2020."

DI Udo Pappler CEO, OFI - Austrian Research Institute for Chemistry and Technology

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# **OFI implements A-Trust** Signatur-Box for flexible processes



#### Primary goal: digitization

OFI's commitment to innovation and the continuous improvement of its services has led it to take a significant step towards digitalization - the digitalization of its reporting system

#### Strong parnterships

To achieve this goal, the OFI entered into a partnership with A-Trust, a company known for its expertise in the field of digital signatures. From the outset, the collaboration was characterized by a shared understanding of OFI's goals and needs. "A-Trust not only provided support with the technical implementation, but also responded to our individual ideas regarding signature logo."

## Flexible and uncomplicated

The successful implementation of the Signatur-Box has several advantages. Above all, it enables OFI experts to sign reports digitally at any time and from anywhere, which promotes a more flexible and efficient way of working. This innovation proved to be a decisive factor, especially during the lockdowns caused by the coronavirus pandemic. The ability to provide legally valid signatures while working from home gave OFI an advantage.

## Increased efficiency through digital signatures

The use of digital signatures has now been implemented throughout the company and has led to faster order processing. This represents considerable added value not only for OFI, but also for its custo-

#### **About OFI**

With 120 employees specializing in the testing of materials, OFI offers a wide range of services, including consulting and pioneering solutions for quality and safety. As a founding member of the Austrian Cooperative Research (ACR), the OFI supports small and medium-sized companies in their innovation efforts.

