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– Is corruption commonnin Austria and how does it manifest itself?

## IEE:

- it's not very common; have come across only few cases during my professional life
- But; it does exist, e.g. Jumping the treatment queue in hospitals, or to be awarded contracts.
  Also for instance in building industry in relation to safety inspections
- Austrian TI reports are not accurate at the moment due to particular way of defining corruption. This should be taken care of by latest 2010
- I'm surprised that the Global Corruption Barometer (GCB) states that 11% of Austrian citizens say they have bribed legal personnel / judges. judges, the police etc. are regarded as trustworthy in Austria
- corruption also exists in the private sector and cooperation between public sector and private sector to hide corruption
- party financing is a grey zone. Parties get finances from state and privates (individuals / companies) but do not want to report on these.

## IER:

Do Austrians protest if corruption is detected?

## IEE:

- "Austrians can bear much but when the limit is reached, there's a loud cry" (the country has "no history of revolution" though)