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## The Lovetour-Bus in AUSTRIA

### Who are we?

Since 2002 Lovetour is the sexual education project of upper Austria funded by the health minister and organised by the PGA (Verein für Prophylaktische Gesundheitsarbeit—association of prophylactic health work).

Lovetour stands for the promotion of health, sexual development of young people through age specific education, passing on important and accurate information and up-to-date prevention measures.

### What do we do?

We tour upper Austria with an adopted Lovetour-Bus. Each session led by two sexual-pedagogues takes about 2 hours and can educate up to 12 teenagers per session. This very comfortable Bus provides a mobile consultation space for sexual education. We visit schools, community events, youth clubs and other youth dedicated centres. In the bus we can deliver one-to-one counselling, group



counselling and partner counselling. To create the sessions in this youth friendly surrounding as interactive and interesting as possible, the educators try to work with different education tools such as:

- ▶ Love Quiz
- ▶ The Lovebox
- ▶ Banana Training
- ▶ Contraceptive Training
- ▶ Etc.

The Lovetour-Bus is very successful and is fully booked up to several months in advance. Lovetour also provides a website to gather useful information and an anonymous online counselling

([www.lovetour.at/ooe\\_index.htm](http://www.lovetour.at/ooe_index.htm)), a book including a Love-Lexicon and Workshops.

All sexual-pedagogues are specially trained in giving professional sexual education.

In 2008 the Project has been evaluated regarding the satisfaction and the quality of the Project from a young person's point of view.

The report has now been published in German and can be ordered through ISBN 978-3-639-15514-3, *Qualität, Kundenzufriedenheit & sexualpädagogische Aufklärung* by Mag.(FH) Sigrid Ornetzeder. ■