

ClusterAgentur Baden-Württemberg

ClusterAgentur?

What is the cluster agency and what does it aim for?

As a consulting and training instrument, the cluster agency aims to train cluster managements, enabling them to provide tailormade services to their members, promoting their professionalization and reinforcing sustainable cluster development.

And in another direction, the cluster agency also supports policy-makers in the development and implementation of cluster policy goals.



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Action Field: Cluster Policy Support



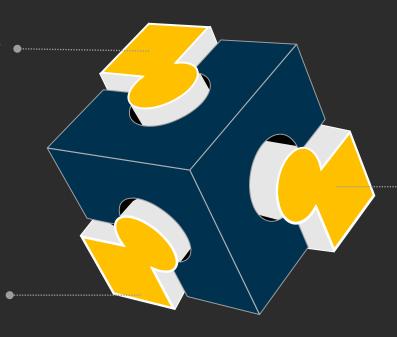
Supporting Cluster Policy Making in BW

 Advising the Policy Makers (e.g. Ministry of Economics) in how to best implement cluster policy



Participation in Committees

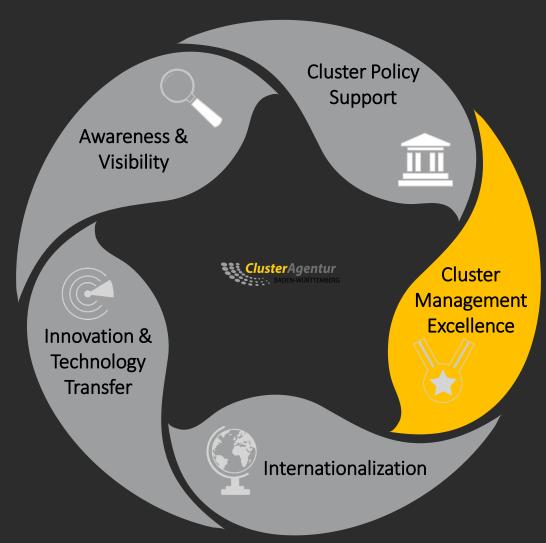
 Taking an active role in advisory bodies, committees and joint project groups, that are clusterrelated





Administration and Information

 Gathering and sharing cluster policy relevant information, monitoring cluster relevant developments



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Action Field: Cluster Management Excellence Individual Measures



Individual Coaching

- Individual coaching and advisory for cluster managements
- Identification of need for action in terms of programmatic content or organizational aspects
- Discussion of tailor-made solutions in terms of professionalization, innovation and technology transfer as well as internationalization

Hands-on Support

- Joint elaboration of an action plan for implementation of various measures / services
- Participation of the cluster agency at action plan implementation measures/events of the cluster management
- Feedback discussions and adjustments / sharpening of the action plan
- Follow up, constant monitoring / review of the strate and service implementation process

Strategic Dialogues

- Analysis of the current state of development of the cluster initiative and analysis of problems and constraints
- Support in development or adaptation of individual strategies for cluster initiatives
- Facilitation and Guidance through the strategy development process (e.g. aiming at advisory boards or members)





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Action Field: Internationalization

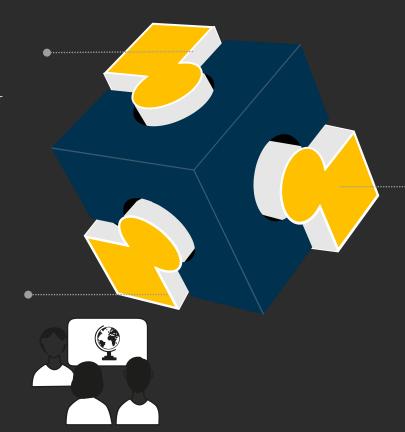


Market Studies

- Analysis of international user industry and markets for selected technology clusters as a foundation for internationalization measures
- Support in building up ideal preconditions for a well-targeted and efficient cluster internationalization

Hands-on Support Going International

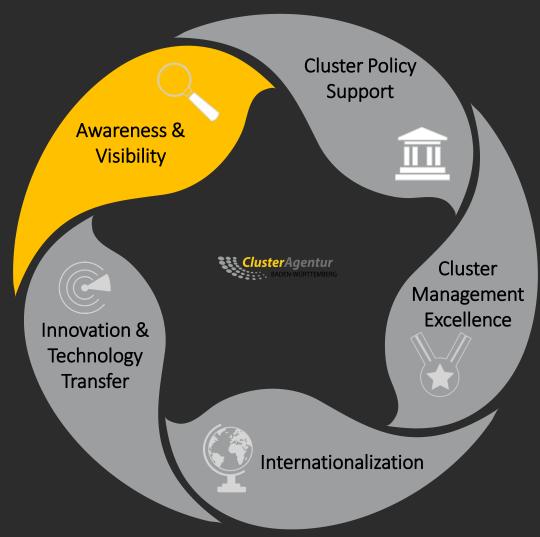
- Joint elaboration of an internationalization action plan for implementation
- Feedback discussions and adjustment / sharpening of the action plan





Meeting Point Internationalization

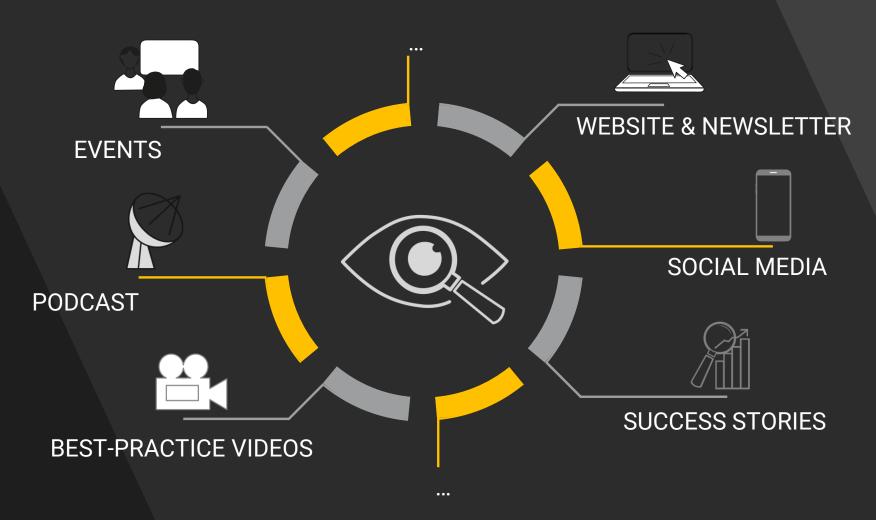
- Workshops for practical knowledge-building and experience exchange in the context of different country, industry and technology demands and conditions
- Input presentations by recognized experts focusing on a target country and / or a selected topic
- Practical advisory and knowledge exchange between cluster managements



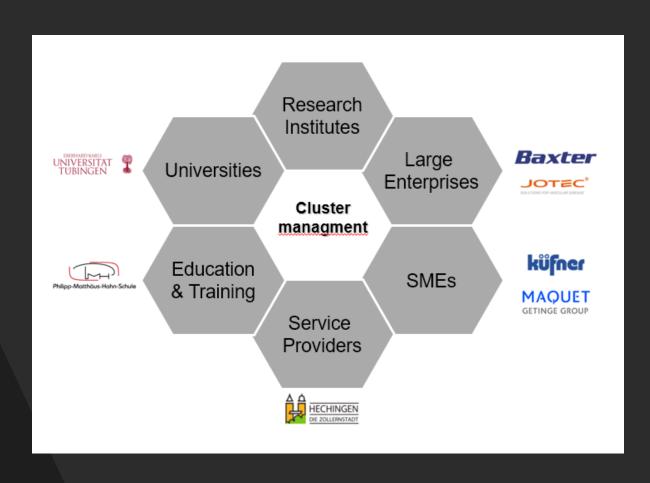
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Awareness & Visibility



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Problem / Challenge

- After a successful start, the cluster management team changes.
- Dissatisfaction among cluster members increased
- The motivation of cluster members to participate has decreased.
- The question arose if cluster efforts should continue.
- Many cluster members left. Only about 10 companies remained in the cluster.
- In addition, another cluster, Medical Mountains Ltd., successfully settled not far away.



Dialysis membrane production



The instigator



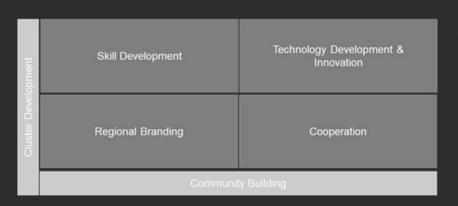
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Seed funding



Professional cluster management



New strategy; New services



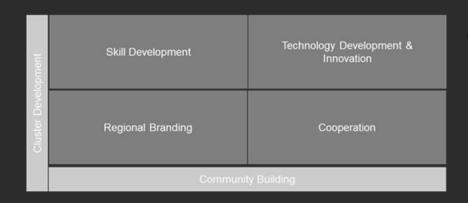
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Professional cluster manager management





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