

# **SRII India Summit**

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**Knowledge Transfer and Startup Support** 

The Bavarian Best Practice

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### Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg



#### Founded 1742

#### **2nd largest University in Bavaria**

- More than 270 chairs
- 12,000 employees
- Around 40,000 students

# School of Management and Economics Founded 1918 as Nuremberg School of Commerce, integrated to FAU in 1961

- More than 5,000 students
- 46 chairs
- 7 bachelor programs
- 9 master programs
- 10 institutes

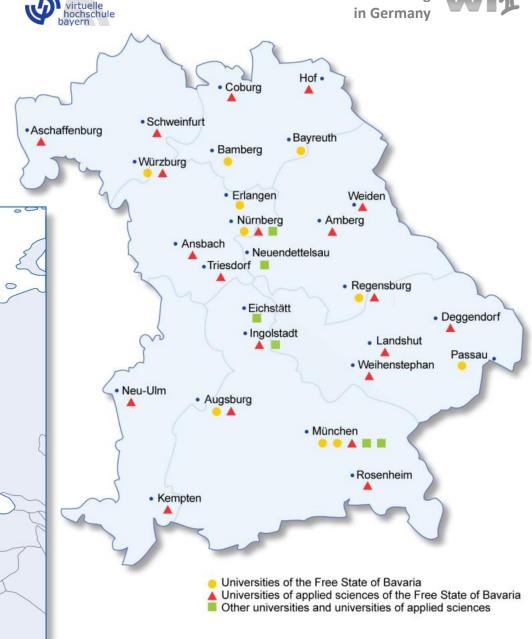


### **Bavarian Virtual University**

**Distance Learning** in Germany

- Founded in 2000
- Network of 31 universities





#### **Bavarian Virtual University**





#### Mission

Meeting the demand for higher education of growing student numbers at least until 2020

Facing the urgent need for lifelong learning and providing programs for continuing education

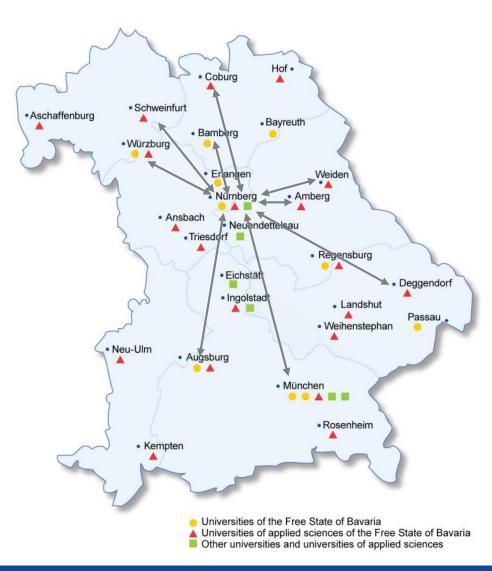
Mastering the consequences of demographic change, leading to substantial population growth in some parts of the state while other regions face a serious decline



#### **Bavarian Virtual University**



#### **Educational Politics**



#### Bavaria Course Exchange

- By importing BVU courses universities can offer their students a wider range of subjects
- The BVU courses provide additional teaching resources and help to alleviate lecture room shortage
- The BVU quality management sets crossuniversity quality standards

# Services for academic start ups at the FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg

FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg, unit F 2 - Kontaktstelle wtt (Office for knowledge and technology transfer)





## **Inventors Consultation & IP Management**

#### Target groups:

- Scientists at FAU and Clinic
- Students (if needed)

#### Consultation

#### **Invention Check**

#### **Patent Application**

#### **Patent Exploitation**

#### Sensitization:

 Presentations and lectures in IP

#### Pre-invention consultation:

- Novelty
- Patent research
- IP-strategy
- Further steps

#### Invention report:

- Completeness
- Invention rights of FAU
- Invention check-up:
  - BayPat (agency)
  - Internal research
- Claim or release of the invention rights

#### In case of claiming:

- under R&Dcooperations:
  - Transfer of rights
- Patent application:
  - via BayPat or
  - FAU
- Exploitation strategy
- Monitoring and management

- Identification of potential licensees
  - by University-network
  - via BayPat (agency)
- License-agreements
- Financial execution
- Inventors compensation
- Transfer of rights to start-ups



## **FAU Spin off Service**

#### **Target Group:**

- Students & academic staff
- Entrepreneurs
- FAU Alumni, interested in Entrepreneurship

# Awareness & Qualification

# Spin off Identification

# Spin off Promotion

# Spin off Support

#### Awareness:

- Startup-Café (9 p.a.)
- Student initiatives
- Events
- Contact persons
   Qualification / Teaching:
- 5-Euro-Business (Stud. competition)
- Cooperation with entrepreneurship chairs

- Idea competition "Innovation Check"
- Technology scouting
- Counselling
  - Orientation
  - Idea development
  - Realization plan
- Funding options
- Mediating network contacts

- Support of applications for (public) funding
- Mediating coaches
- Support during funding programs
  - Interim presentations
  - Official statements
- Business plan support

- Regulations for use of infrastructure
- Regulations for transition of patents / IP
- Equity management (if applicable)
- Newsletter for Entrepreneurs and interested parties
- Startup network
- Statistics



## Exist Business Start-up Grant (public fund)

Funded by Federal Ministry of Economics and Energy (BWMi)

#### What

preparation of innovative business start-up projects at universities

#### Who

- Postgraduates
- Scientific assistants / Postdocs
- Alumni (up to 5 years after leaving university)
- As team members: Students



Monthly scholarship

- 2.000 € (Postgraduates)
- 2.500 € (Postdocs)
- 500 € (Students)

Material expenses: 10.000 € (solo start up) + 5.000€

17.000 € (team start up) for Coaching

Office desk + use of lab space (free of charge)

Support & advice by scientific mentor & entrereneurial network





## Exist Transfer of Research (public fund)

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#### What

Patent based high tech spin off with high r&d intensity

#### Who

- Research Groups at Universities developing innovative products & services based on their research
- Additional team member with managing / economic expertise

Pre start up stage

Workgroup at University

- 3 Researchers
- 1 business manager

up to 70.000 € for material expenses & coaching

Start up stage

R & D grant to spin off up to 150.000 €

(funding rate up to 75 %)

Mentor & entrepreneurial network



# Regional and national networks:



**Nuremberg** 

Region

**Bavaria** 

**Germany** 



#### **Mission**

ESF projects transfer up-to-date knowledge from universities to small and medium sized enterprises via online trainings (especially for less developed areas)

- Developing employee skills and competencies
- Creating new job opportunities
- Enhancing employability

funding: €80,000 per year per project, total €6 m





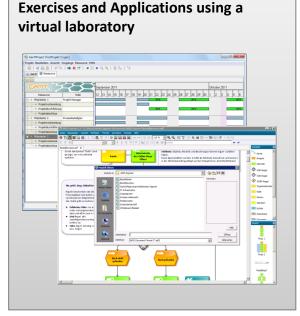
# **Example: Project "Business Process Management for SME"**

#### **Online-Guidebook for SME**

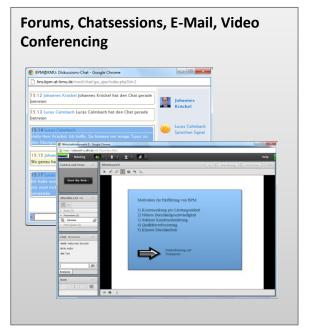
#### **Knowledge Delivery**



#### **Knowledge Application**



#### **Communication und Collaboration**





- 39 projects (2007-2013) at bavarian universities
- approx. 280 participating SMEs





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