

## Press Release

### **Uwe Pfeil from R-Tech GmbH is "European Clustermanager 2020"**

**Regensburg, 11/12/2020 – At the European Cluster Conference from November 10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, Uwe Pfeil was elected "European Clustermanager 2020". Pfeil, who heads the E-Mobility Cluster Regensburg and the IT-Logistics Cluster, is the first cluster manager from Germany to receive this award. The European competition brings together cluster managers from all European countries, specialists and experts for clusters and cluster topics.**

After a multi-stage selection process involving numerous cluster managers, Uwe Pfeil was nominated as one of three finalists for the award and won the election. "Personally, I am of course very pleased to have been chosen as European Clustermanager 2020", said Uwe Pfeil. "But it is also a special award for the entire cluster team and for the successful cooperation of all cluster members with each other." Alexander Rupprecht, managing director of the R-Tech GmbH, which runs the two technology clusters, adds: "We are very pleased for Uwe Pfeil to receive this award. Certainly, this is a confirmation of the successful cluster policy of the city of Regensburg as well. And it is a proof that Regensburg as a business location has an important voice in shaping the future of the European cluster landscape".

The IT-Logistics Cluster and the E-Mobility Cluster Regensburg were launched in 2011 and have since then represented the interests of their approximately 100 members. R-Tech GmbH has already been involved in national and international funding projects for over 11 years with its networking activities. Since 2009, the amount of funding in the clusters has amounted to 16 million euros. To date, the networks of the clusters have participated in over 60 funding projects.

Both clusters are members of the "go-cluster" program of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Energy (BMWi). Consequently, they are among the most efficient cluster management organizations in Germany. The IT Logistics Cluster has also been awarded the Silver Label of the European Cluster Excellence Initiative (ECEI). The IT-Logistics Cluster and the E-Mobility Cluster Regensburg will celebrate their 10th anniversary in autumn 2021.



Uwe Pfeil has now been awarded the title "European Cluster Manager 2020" for his successful networking activities.

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