

## **Our services**

- Identifying innovation and growth potential
- Networking and developing cooperation projects



- Promoting knowledge and technology transfer
- Cluster internationalisation
- Identifying and developing synergies with other clusters
- Securing and developing of qualified workforce
- Active cluster marketing







The plastics and chemical industries are changing. Sustainability is one of the tasks that the Cluster Plastics and Chemistry has taken on. Many companies and institutions are already facing up to this challenge. This is why sustainability has been anchored in the new master plan as the general principle for Brandenburg's plastics and chemical industry and why it is seen as an opportunity for improving the cluster players' ability to innovate and remain competitive.

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# INNOVATIVE CIRCULAR ECONOMY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The Cluster Plastics and Chemistry in the Berlin-Brandenburg Capital Region



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THE GERMAN CAPITAL REGION excellence in plastics & chemistry





### **Cluster Plastics and Chemistry**

Plastics and chemistry are two industrial branches in Brandenburg with regional and national impact. As suppliers for numerous industries in both Germany and abroad, the companies of the cluster contribute to the global value creation network with their products and services.

With their mixture of medium-sized and major companies, the chemistry and industrial estates in Schwedt/Oder, Premnitz, Guben, Schwarze Pumpe and Schwarzheide as well as those in Prignitz and Ruppiner Land are also important here.

The Cluster Plastics and Chemistry supports and strengthens links between business and science, networks and associations, chambers, policymakers and public administration in Brandenburg. In this role, the cluster management listens, guides, and provides stimuli with the goal of actively supporting all partners and of securing and further developing the regional economy's ability to innovate and remain competitive.

## **Cluster fields** of action

#### Sustainable speciality chemicals

• Expanding bio-based value creation systems

- Further developing process technologies and biotechnologies, utilising interface processes and catalysis
- Battery chemicals and electrochemical conversion
- Chemical engineering for thermal energy storage materials

INNOVATIVE

• Digitalising production and distribution processes

Sustainable plastics industry

 Establishing a circular economy for plastic materials

- Biopolymers
- Function integration
- Additive manufacturing
- Digitalising production and distribution processes

SUSTAINABLE

Securing skilled workers for plastics and chemistry

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- Career and study guidance
- Initial and continuing vocational education and training
- University education

Design

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• Training management personnel

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Distribution

chemistry locations

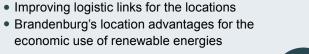
#### PRACTICE-ORIENTED

Plastics processing and lightweight construction technologies

- Developing sustainable lightweight construction materials

- technologies
- Additive manufacturing
- lightweight construction materials and semi-finished products
- Lightweight design in the construction industry
- Digitalising production and distribution processes

FORWARD-THINKING



#### CONNECTED

Locations and

chemistry

• Funding the further development of plastics and

Internationalising to support location development

logistics for plastics and



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- Function-integrative lightweight design
- Multi-material design
- · Economic and energy-efficient manufacturing
- Reusing and recycling
- Material characterisation and material models of



#### Markets and technologies

 Identifying and exploring topics of the future via market observation and technology analysis

• Identifying cross-cluster potential

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• Communicating the cluster's potential for providing solutions to questions of sustainability

#### LEADING THE WAY

