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Photonics BW e.V. – the innovation cluster for optical technologies in the state of Baden-Wuerttemberg – was founded in July 2000 as a non-profit organization, aiming at promoting optical technologies in Baden-Wuerttemberg.

In the years from 2001 to 2009, Photonics BW evolved to be *the* competence network for optical technologies in Baden-Wuerttemberg, being funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). Today, Photonics BW counts about 80 members from industry, SME, start-ups, research, as well as banking and consulting institutions.

Photonics BW offers services in the areas of systematic networking and installing of innovation supporting structures, technology transfer, innovation support, working groups, marketing and public relations, promotion of young talents, primary and continuing education, project supervision, consulting and the support of international activities such as delegation journeys or market research studies.

With these activities, Photonics BW aims to promote the advancement of optical technologies through research, development and application and as well to promote the communication between industry, science, government and society. Further objectives are to strengthen international competitiveness and the region Baden-Wuerttemberg as leading location for photonics.

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With over 500 members from economy, science, education, consulting and finance, OptecNet Deutschland unites strong partners for the promotion of the key technology photonics.

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