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German Fusion Industry Positions Itself for Fusion – Pro-Fusion Association Founded

Nuremberg, Germany - On June 6, 2024, representatives from renowned German companies in the field of fusion energy met in Nuremberg and founded the industrial association Pro-Fusion.

After many years of fusion research, the commercial use of fusion for energy production is technologically within reach, offering significant advantages for the environment, society and the economy. The founding members, Bilfinger Nuclear & Energy Transition GmbH, Focused Energy GmbH, Framatome GmbH, MAN Energy Solutions SE, Marvel Fusion GmbH, pro-beam GmbH & Co. KGaA, Proxima Fusion GmbH c/o Werk1 Bayern GmbH, ProZukunft GmbH, RI Research Instruments GmbH, Rolf Kind GmbH, Siemens Energy Global GmbH & Co. KG, Thiele Technologie & Management GmbH and the German Fusion Industrial Liaison Officer, are convinced of this.

Pro-Fusion is the central representative body for the German industry in commercial fusion energy and will address challenges in shaping public opinion, engaging political stakeholders and adapting legal regulations.

Pro-Fusion aims to

- sustainably shape public opinion on fusion energy,
- serve as a point of contact for politics and media on all fusion energy topics, and
- contribute to the further development and structuring of the economic fusion ecosystem.

The newly founded industrial association Pro-Fusion invites all organizations or companies that provide or plan to provide fusion-related commercial services as well as all individuals interested in the association's goals to become members.

The founding board members are Heike Freund (Marvel Fusion), Markus Kind (Rolf Kind), Ulli Kraft (FILO), Ulf Thiele (Thiele Techn. & Mgmt.), Hannes Vogel (Proxima Fusion) and Wolfgang Walter (Bilfinger).



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A member meeting is planned in the context of the 5th Forum FUSION Germany on the afternoon of July 4 in Berlin.

For further information on Pro-Fusion or membership, please contact info@pro-fusion.org or one of our founding members.



The founding members present the statutes of the newly founded industry association Pro-Fusion: seated from left: Ulli Kraft (FILO), Michael Peiniger (ProZukunft), Wolfgang Walter (Bilfinger), Günter Kraft (Focused Energy), Michael Adel (MAN); standing from left: Alexander Navitski (RI Research Instruments), Hannes Vogel (Proxima Fusion), Max Fleischer (Siemens Energy), Jannik Reigl (Marvel Fusion), Ulf Thiele (Thiele Techn. & Mgmt), Thorsten Löwer (pro beam), Sven Wegener (Framatome), Markus Kind (Rolf Kind).



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The founding board from left: Ulli Kraft, Markus Kind, Wolfgang Walter, Ulf Thiele and Hannes Vogel (Heike Freund absent).

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