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VGB-FORSCHUNGSSTIFTUNG

Purpose of Foundation

The VGB Research Foundation was founded in 1970 to focus on the joint research for the generators of power and heat. It is a foundation established under private law, and has its registered office in Essen. In the framework of the VGB research programme more than 400 research projects with a total budget of over 250 Mill. Euro have already been carried out.

Organization

- The Board of Directors of the foundation and the curatorship are the organs.
- The chairman of VGB PowerTech is also the chairman of the Board of Directors of the foundation.
- The curatorship consists of ten members:
 - ◆ the chairman of VGB,
 - ◆ the first deputy chairman of VGB,
 - ◆ the second deputy chairman of VGB,
 - ◆ the chairman of the Technical Advisory Board,
 - ◆ the chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board,
 - ◆ two representatives of the manufacturing industry in the field of power and heat generation,
 - ◆ three representatives of science in the field of power and heat generation.
- The Executive Managing Director of VGB is in charge of the management of the foundation in personnel union.
- VGB manages the administration of the foundation.

The current chairman of the curatorship of the VGB Research Foundation is Dr. Georgios Stamatelopoulos, the Executive Managing Director is Dr. Oliver Then.

Financing

Substantial contributions to finance these projects are:

- the general research fund of the ordinary member companies,
- project-related funds of operator and manufacturer companies of the electricity industry and
- public funds, such as e. g. financial funds of the European Union and the German Ministry of Economics.

Research activities

Research projects can be supported by the VGB Research Foundation if their joint research character is ensured by approval of one of the VGB Technical Committees.

The main subjects of the joint research are:

- Power Plant Technologies
- Renewables and Distributed Generation
- Environmental Technology, Chemistry, Safety and Health

Research projects in the field of Nuclear Power are separately financed by a fund of the nuclear power plants involved.

The VGB Research Foundation is a member of the German Association of Industrial Joint Research Institutions (AiF).

VGB Innovation Award

The VGB Research Foundation annually awards the VGB Innovation Award - endowed with 10,000 € - for outstanding achievements of young graduates in the field of power and heat generation.