

# Bayerisches Staatsministerium für Wirtschaft, Landesentwicklung und Energie

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## ASSOCIATIONS

### Vereinigung der Bayerischen Wirtschaft e.V. (vbw) [The Bavarian Industry Association]



The Bavarian Industry Association (vbw – Vereinigung der Bayerischen Wirtschaft e.V.) is the key interest group of the Bavarian industry. Its membership is voluntary and cross-industrial. vbw represents more than 130 member associations as well as over 40 individual member companies. Throughout Bavaria, around 4.7 million employees, subject to social insurance contribution, work for the industrial sectors of vbw member associations.

With its seven regional branch offices in Munich-Upper Bavaria, Lower Bavaria, Upper Franconia, Middle Franconia, Lower Franconia, Upper Palatinate and Swabia, vbw provides a region-wide service network. In addition, vbw is actively engaged worldwide through vbw liaison offices located in Brussels, New York and Teheran.

### Landesverband Groß- und Außenhandel, Vertrieb und Dienstleistungen Bayern e.V. (LGAD) [Regional Association for Wholesale and Foreign Trade, Distribution and Services]



The Regional Association for Wholesale and Foreign Trade, Distribution and Services of Bavaria is the employers' association for cross-sectoral (intermediary) business in

Bavaria. With some 1,000 member companies, LGAD is one of the leading interest groupings in the field of commerce and industry.

LGAD represents the wholesale and foreign trade with companies from all sectors as well as a growing number of companies engaged in industrial marketing and cross-sectoral services.

### **Verband Deutscher Maschinen- und Anlagenbau e.V. (VDMA) [German Engineering Federation]**



The German Engineering Federation is the largest industry network for capital goods in Europe. It represents over 3,000 mainly SME member companies operating in the capital goods industry and is therefore one of the most important industry associations in Europe with the largest membership. The entire process chain is reflected in VDMA – from component to plant, from system supplier and system integrator to service provider.

VDMA represents the interests of its members in Germany and Europe, provides services and fosters its network.

### **Zentralverband Elektrotechnik- und Elektronikindustrie e.V. (ZVEI) [German Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers' Association]**



The Bavarian branch of ZVEI is the regional link connecting the association's headquarters with the trade associations organised by product groups. It represents the common interests of the Bavarian electrical and electronics industry and its association in

the State of Bavaria.

Overall Bavarian interests are also addressed in collaboration with the Bavarian Industry Association (vbw). The Bavarian ZVEI branch has some 200 member companies.