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# German government to fund reCORE project

Germany's Ministry of Economics and Technology (BMWi) has officially agreed to fund the so-called reCORE project aimed at researching into efficient configurations of remanufacturing companies. Announced at the end of October, the decision means that the two and a half year programme involving a series of reman companies and academic institutions in Europe will now go ahead. It will be centered on the Chair of Manufacturing and Remanufacturing Technology, Fraunhofer Project Group Process Innovation at the University of Bayreuth.

"The approval by the German government is very encouraging. As a result, we can now go full speed ahead with the projects which we believe will pave the way for new knowledge about how best to handle high product variety in remanufacturing companies," Project Manager Michael Haumann told ReMaTecNews, which is an additional partner in the project.

From the outset focus will be on four

main areas: Production organisation, (eg. versatile workstations), planning and control (efficient, flexible shop-floor -proof tools), core management and warehouse strategies, identification (part numbers, history, quality)

The participating companies and academic institutions are:

#### Research Organisations

- Bayreuth University (Bayreuth, Germany)
- Royal Institute of Technology (Stockholm, Sweden)
- Chalmers University of Technology (Gothenburg, Sweden)

#### Company Partners

- Autoteile Jakobs (Voelklingen, Germany)
- Herrmanns Kfz-Technik und Recycling (Hailtingen, Germany)
- BU Drive (Lingen, Germany)
- Mela (Schwerin, Germany)
- WAT Direcciones (Mallabia, Spain)



Michael Haumann

- CIT Recycling Development (Gothenburg, Sweden)
- Megalans Remanufacturing (Gothenburg, Sweden)
- Norrahammars Mekaniska Verkstad (Joenkoepping, Sweden)
- UBD Cleantech (Svedala, Sweden)

At Bayreuth University the following academic staff will be involved: Michael Haumann, Sandra Seifert, Oliver Oechsle, Kirsten Bohr



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