





# BayFOR Support Services for EIC Accelerator Applicants

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# Agenda

- Bavarian Research Alliance BayFOR
- BayFOR SME Advisory Services
- Client Journey EIC Accelerator
- Success Story: Angiolutions GmbH













# Bavarian Research Alliance - BayFOR

#### **Mandate**

- ➤ Tapping funding from the EU (and federal ones)
- ➤ Promoting Bavaria as a location for science and innovation in the European Research and Innovation Area
- ➤ Partnering services —
  bringing together private and
  public organisations from
  science and industry





### Key figures 2022

**156** Supported and submitted proposals

Funding achieved 319 Mio. €

**147 Mio. €** for Bavaria

**51** employees





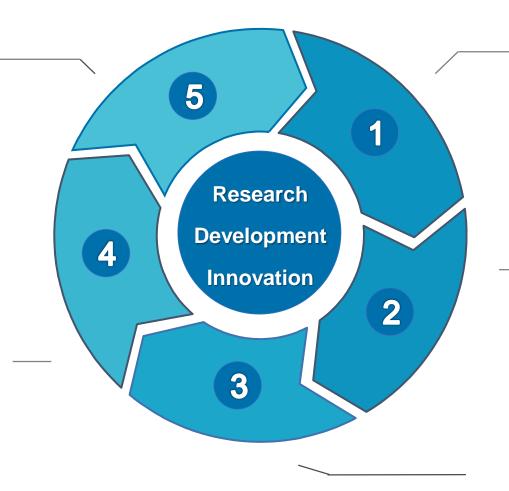
# BayFOR as full services provider

### **Project management**

- Administrative project management for EU projects
- Workshops/trainings for project participants and third-party staff
- Advice on questions related to EU project management
- Public relations for EU projects

### **Project implementation**

- Support for grant agreement preparation
- Assistance with financial and organizational issues



### **Information**

- EU calls for proposals and on how to write a successful application
- Lobbying activities strategic positioning of ideas

### **Advisory services**

- General and call-specific expert advice on EU funding schemes
- Assistance in assigning project ideas to the appropriate funding scheme

### **EU** application support

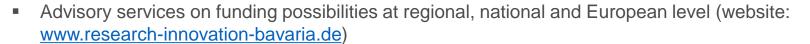
- Active support for the application process
- Preparation of call-specific information material
- International partner search



# **Bavarian Research and Innovation Agency - BayFIA**

### Initiative of the Bavarian state government in order to improve:





- EU fund acquisition through Bavarian actors, esp. universities and SMEs
- The innovation potential of Bavarian SMEs through qualified advisory services
- The transfer of research findings into innovative products or services

### Synergy effects through close cooperation of four experienced partners:













# BayFOR - SME Advisory Services

### Institutional level

- Promote the regional innovation ecosystem at EU level;
- Raising awareness for regional actors about European policies and funding opportunities for SMEs;
- Full partner in European projects & active member of expert committees.
  - EEN Thematic Groups: Research & Innovation, Sustainability, Access2Finance

### Operational level

- One-Stop-Shop for SMEs in relation to European funding for research and innovation (R&D&I).
  - Proof reading, pitch training, preparing templates etc.
- Knowledge transfer on EU funding opportunities & provision of targeted information;
  - EIC Accelerator Proposals Workshop & SME Newsletter
- International Partnering Services;



# **SME Advisory Services - 2022**

### Figures year 2022

- 107 requests from SMEs and Start-ups.
- 22 EIC Accelerator applications supported and supervised.
- 11 applications to other European funding instruments supported.

→5 successful projects (that means proposals supported) –
 → Funding volume - ca. 11 Mio. Euro.

- "EIC Accelerator Training" Intensive 2-days online workshop only for Bavarian applicants.
- 14 presentations to Stakeholders about EU funding opportunities for Start-ups & KMUs.
- 39 issues KMU-Newsletter (SME Newsletter)



Client Journey





# Strong Innovation support ecosystem



























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# Client Draft an action plan Smart gnposting

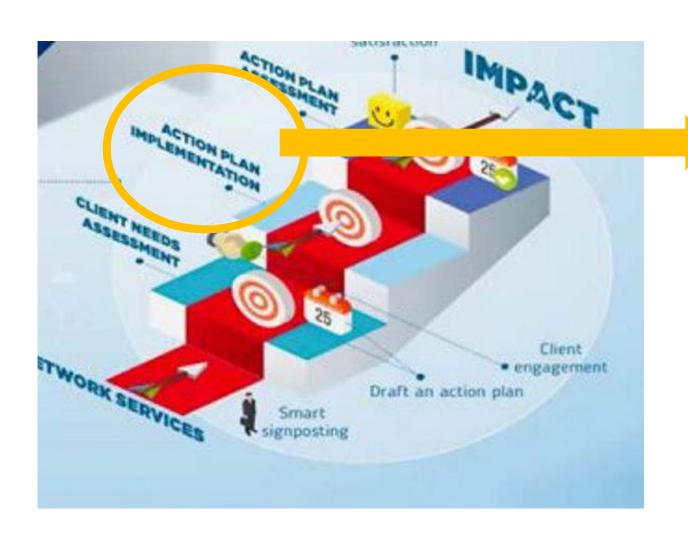
# 1. Needs assessment

### First level request:

Personal / online <u>meeting</u>
Building <u>trust</u> from the beginning

- **Definition** of:
  - Idea
  - Mid-term plan
  - Team
  - Financing
  - External support
- Funding screening
  - Regional
  - National
  - European
- Partnerships





# 2. Action Plan

### First follow up:

- Definition of:
  - Problem, solution, business model;
  - Project strategy;
  - Main objective of the project;
  - EU dimension;
  - Resources needed;
  - First version of excellence and impact
  - Issues regarding implementation and budget
- Tools:
  - Templates: BayFOR and EU COMM
  - Only one contact person
  - Realistic deadlines





# 3. Implementation

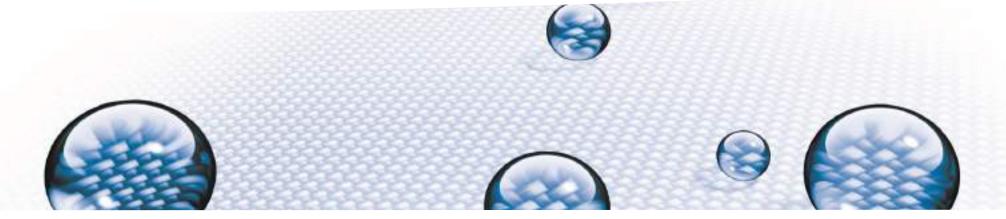
### Second follow up:

- Revision:
  - Understandable?;
  - · Use of English;
  - Graphics, photos, images, tables;
  - Application identity: colors, layout;
  - Project as a whole coherence.
- Main BayFOR-Inputs:
  - EU application is not only marketing.
  - Balanced Work Packages



# SME Advisory Services: Client's profile to success

- **Highly innovative** and technology-based start-ups and scale-ups companies (Keywords: Deep Tech, disruptive innovation);
- Potential products and applications with an European and international impact (societal, economic and environmental);
- Complementary, gender-balanced and high-skilled team.
- Growth ambition;
- High market potential;





# SME Advisory Services Tips - Road to success

- ✓ Time & timing factor
- ✓ Do not underestimate effort
- ✓ Work in team
- ✓ Work out business strategies

- ✓ Get feedback
- ✓ Work with figures and sources
- ✓ Use our **templates** for application support!



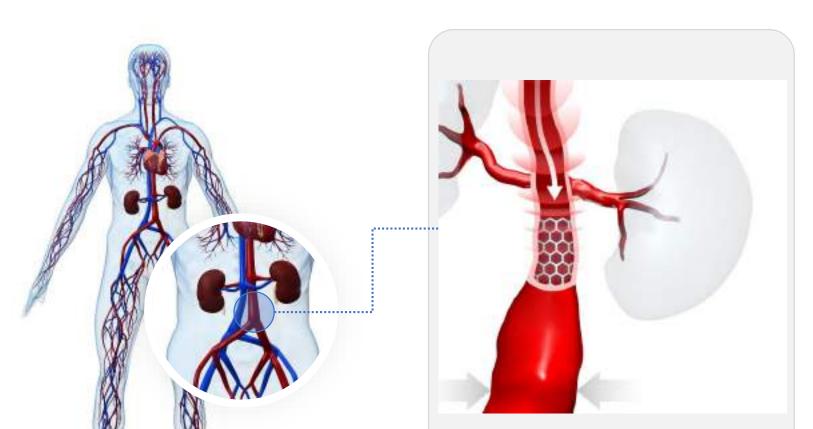


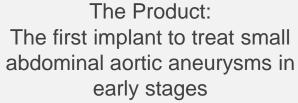
# Angiolutions: Stopping life-threatening aneurysms.

**EIC Accelerator Application** 

A first-of-its-kind device stopping the life-threatening growth of small abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA).

### **Angiolutions: the company in short**











PD Dr. med. Uwe Raaz Co-Founder & Co-CEO



Marius Rummel
Chief Business Officer



# BayFOR support: timeline





1st contact: July 2022 Start Full Application: End August 2022 1st Interview: November 27th 2022 Rebuttal: March 2023















Submission Short Application: Middle August 2022 Submission Full Application: October 5th 2022

Rejection December 2022 2nd Interview: June 2023

### **Tips for the Interview Stage from Angiolutions**



#### Content



- Train for the interview as a team
- Clear roles for the team members
- Keep your answers short and well structured
- Practice the "Proof Points": Numbers & **Facts**

### **Impact**



- Dialogue not Interview
- Do not thank your audience for the question
- Smile, keep eye contact
- Let colleagues speak do not cut them off
- Stay friendly, even in the case of difficult questions.

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# Figures for Angiolutions Support

- 4 EEN Advisors: one coordinator, 3 reviewers (1 with scientific & medical background)
- 12 Months of intensive work & communication
- All the 3 co-founders worked on the application and pitch & rebuttal
- Grant first: 2,5 Mio € grant + Equity (tbc)



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