

Welcome to Bochum





A city worth living in

Bochum in the Ruhr Metropolis

The Ruhr Metropolis

- Germany's densest populated area
- Leading industrial region
- > 5.1 million inhabitants
- Network of 53 towns
- Example: High concentration of clinics (nearly 100), medical research facilities and healthcare sector companies
- At the heart of the largest markets in Europe



Bochum Overview



375.000 inhabitants and over 150.000 employees

Bochum – a liveable city in the middle of the Ruhr Metropolis



Seven universities with over 54,000 students

are the basis for economic success



15,000 companies are based here, including many international players



Perfectly located

Highways, the main railway station and airports in Dortmund and Düsseldorf (approx. 30 - 45 minutes away) are all close by

Life in Bochum



Low cost of living

Attractive rental prices and moderate living expenses make life in Bochum affordable



Cultural Hotspot

Home to the renowned *Schauspielhaus* theater, Germany's largest open-air festival and the famous musical *Starlight Express*



A green city

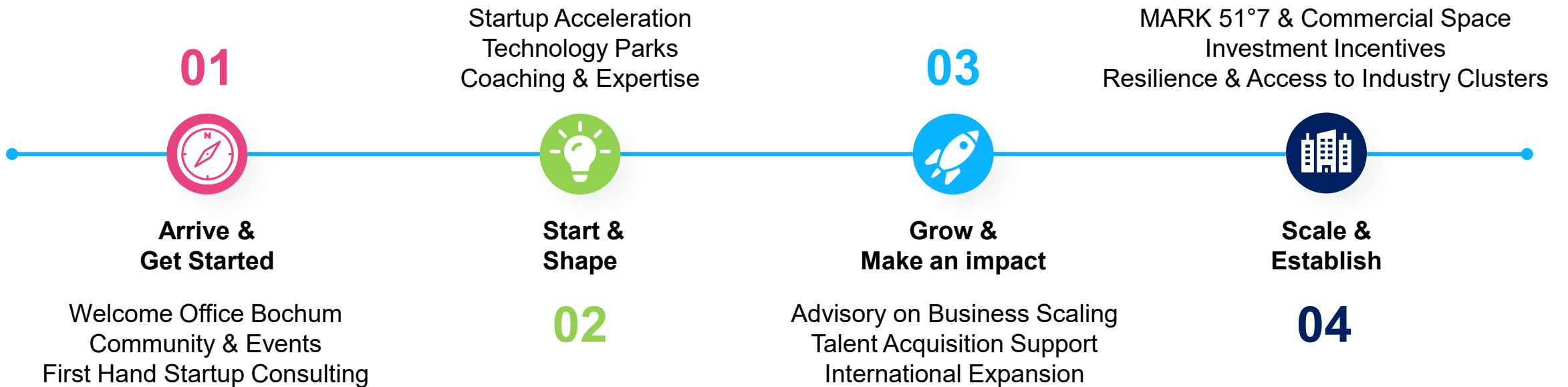
With almost 40% green spaces, Bochum is one of the greenest cities in North Rhine-Westphalia



Bermuda3Eck

The largest nightlife district in the Ruhr Metropolis and an up-and-coming center for startups, restaurants and our cultural scene

From Idea to Success



Health economy – Smart and well connected

Smart Health



20% of employees

One in five jobs in Bochum are in the healthcare sector – a nationwide record



Professionals training

The university trains students in health and medicine, thus strengthening the industry in Bochum



Hotspot for medical innovation & research

Over 30 research institutes and strong connections to the Ruhr University Bochum make Bochum an important center for medical innovation



Networks and events

AI for Health, Health Innovation Ruhr and MedEcon Ruhr connect research, start-ups and industry

Gesundheitscampus Bochum

Innovation hub for medicine, research and
healthcare technology



A central location

Unites healthcare administration, research and companies in one place



Optimal infrastructure

55,000 m² of space only for smart health industry and research



Model location

Model for infrastructure and cooperation in the healthcare industry



Careers and talents

Attractive location for specialists and talents due to proximity to top universities and research centers

The Health Campus Network

The Expert Advisory Board

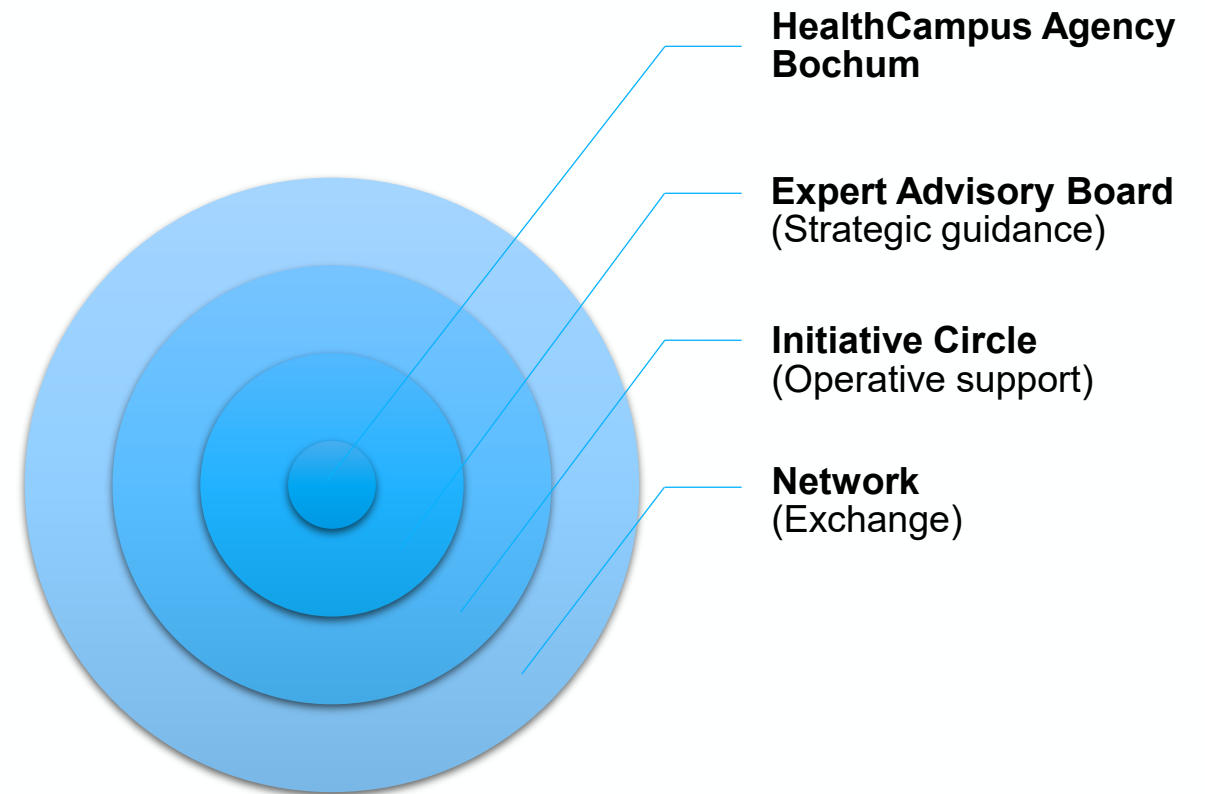
Jörg Holstein, CEO Meerkat GmbH

Detlef Friedrich, CEO contec GmbH

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Andreas Ostendorf, Professor at the chair for Applied Laser Technology at the Ruhr-University Bochum and former Vice-President

Prof. Dr. Horst-Christian Vollmar, Department Chief of General Medicine of Ruhr-University Bochum

Birgit Fischer, Minister of State off Duty



Our unique ecosystem



Cybersecurity

Research and network



Horst-Görtz-Institut für IT-Sicherheit (HGI)

With 1000 students, the largest study programme in Cybersecurity in Europe, 40 professorships and 200 researchers, over 20 spin-offs



Exzellenz Cluster CASA

The only Cluster of Excellence for Cybersecurity in Germany with an initial funding volume of €30 mio. from the German Research Foundation (DFG) and a second round of up to €40 mio.



Max Planck Institut for security and privacy

Founded in 2019, located at MARK 51°7 until 2027 with around 350 employees



Startup and company network

eurobits e.V., DIGITAL.SICHER.NRW, Startup incubator Cube 5

Cybersecurity ecosystem





MARK 51°7



Innovation Campus

The former Opel site is transformed into a modern innovation centre – official completion in July 2025



Area

700.000 m², 440.000 m² commercial space and already 100 % sold



Well connected

Excellent location with direct access to highways and airports, own tram station



Jobs and industry

Over 13,000 jobs in various fields: specialisation in cybersecurity and automotive

Technology Parks

Our space for your ideas

BMZ BioMedizin
Zentrum
BOCHUM



Biotechnology, Medical
Technology and Green Chemistry

EEZ EnergieEffizienz
Zentrum
BOCHUM



Sustainable Energies and
Resource Efficiency

KWL Kulturwerk
Lothringen
BOCHUM



Creative Industries and Urban
Startups

TGW Technologie- und
Gründerzentrum
WATTENSCHIED



Wide range of Technological
Innovations

ZENTRUM *its*
IT-Sicherheit · BOCHUM



Cybersecurity, Data Protection
and IoT Solutions

Bochum Economic Development

We are your contact for all economic matters in Bochum

This is us



Headquarter

Viktoriastr. 10, 44787 Bochum



About 245 employees

A versatile, interdisciplinary team from different specialisations



Five Technology and Start-up Centers

offer flexible spaces and modern infrastructure for start-ups with a sector-specific focus



More than 60 experienced consultants

are part of our team and there for you with in-depth know-how and industry-specific expertise

Our services for companies

to do

— Businessplan



Administrative & Approval Assistance

We provide support in municipal proceedings, e.g. in construction and planning law



Funding & Financing

We advise on subsidies such as RWP as well as on project and company developments



Innovation, Research & Technologies

Support in the development of innovative products, services and business models



Access to several networks

We cooperate with partners to offer the most helpful access to our ecosystems