BENEFIT OF THE MEMBERSHIP

- >>> Information, knowledge and experience, to enhance and promote entrepreneurial motivation and competitiveness
- Cost cutting of purchasing materials and services through involvement within CGMC's framework agreements.
- >>> Voluntary participation in joint projects and assistance in the fields of human resources (HR), marketing and promotion (PR), research & development and innovation (RDI), tenders and exclusive research.
- >>> Utilization of facilities and services within Research, Training and IT centres
- Cooperation between tertiary and research sectors and key partners in the region and internationally.
- >>> Involvement in strategic partnerships and CGMC's networking initiatives.

MEMBERSHIP IN CGMC

- Member can become involved in the development of machinery branches.
- Membership is by approval of application by (the Board of) CGMC.
- >>> Membership is free of charge.
- >>> The right of members is to voluntarily take part in any mutual project, with the possibility to co-finance the project and to contribute to, and participate in its results.
- The rights and obligations of CGMC's members are under CGMC's Statute or Cluster Partnership Contract.



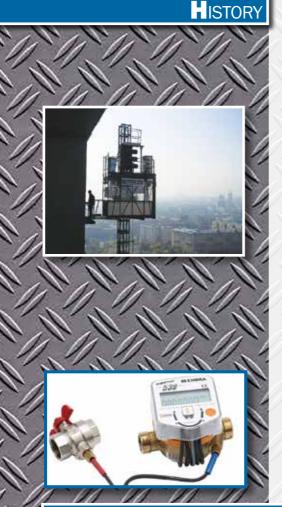
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CGMC, **Syndicate** was established in January 2009. This is as a result of the project "Searching firms to for a Welder Cluster" supported by European Union Structure funds and State Budget of the Czech Republic; from the Operational Programme Industry and Enterprise.

The Board of the South Moravian Region delegated the execution of this project to the company UNISTROJ, corps and the University of West Bohemia, Plzen. 296 machinery companies of the South Moravian Region were addressed by the questionnaire. 182 of them stated that they are interested in information about the project and the cluster's development and 23 of them have joined this project.

A very significant benefit was establishing cooperation within the similarly arising cluster Energocentrum which represents some machinery companies which focus on heating technology in the Southeast Region. This cooperation was capped by the merger of both projects in 2008 to one general machinery cluster – CGMC, Syndicate (Cluster of General Machinery Companies).

The scope was enlarged to include general machinery with an emphasis on interdepartmental development of linkage on the basis of needs and plans for CGMC's members in three fields:

- > Manipulative and Transport Equipment
- Automatize and Robotize
- Energetics facilities for energy

CGMC is a group of interconnected entrepreneurs, academic and research institutes, and social partners within general machinery and related sectors. CGMC, Syndicate represents all its members in dealing with third parties. As of January 2012, CGMC has a membership base of 75 organizations.

CORE OF THE CGMC

MANIPULATION AUTOMATIZE ENERGETICS

MACHINERY MAESTROJ

AREA OF COVERAGE

MACHINERY and MECHATRONICS as a synergistic combination of machinery, mechanics, electronics and software engineering.

MISSION

The Mission of CGMC is to support the competitiveness of the machinery sector in the South Moravian and Southeast Regions by means of improved cooperative activities, support of innovation, and systematic development of human resources.

VISION

CGMC's Vision is to form a modern machinery base prepared for the realization of high-tech deliveries and international competitive solutions with high added value for the sphere of the automatization and energetics devices within five years.

DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

The goal of CGMC's strategy is to create a highly innovative environment which motivates close collaboration of machinery companies with partner universities as well as the establishment of follow-up branches. Expected results are the commercialization of innovative products, technologies and original intellectual property and the realization of mutual development projects.

Innovative Strategy places an emphasis on basic priorities:

1. EFFICIENCT INNER **RESOURCES** with systematic and lifelong collaboration of CGMC's members.

2. INTERDISCIPLINARY ACCESS

to development as a way to innovation on a higher level. Integration of machinery with metallurgy, plastic industry, electrical engineering and informatics, further followup branches.

3. COOPERATION and **INTERNATIONALIZATION** with research & development front, and key business and social partners.

4. COMMERCIALIZATION of results of mutual development, and knowledge technology transfer.