On the initiative of the International University of Lake Constance (IBH) and the International Lake Constance Conference (IBK) the IBH-Labs have been launched. These are research and innovation networks consisting of academia and practitioners from industry and society. They make a sustainable contribution to support knowledge-, innovation- and technology-transfers and thereby contribute to make the Lake Constance region a more attractive location. The funding for the IBH-Labs is provided by the Interreg V-program «Alpenrhein-Bodensee-Hochrhein».

For the International University of Lake Constance, the IBH-Labs form a strategic focal point. The thematic focus of the IBH-Labs is related to regionally relevant topics and to potentials for development of the Lake Constance region.

The IBH-members and practitioners start together with the following IBH-Labs in 2017:
- IBH Living Lab Active and Assisted Living
- IBH-Lab KMUdigital
- IBH-Lab Seamless Learning

For further information please see: www.bodenseehochschule.org/ibh-labs

Goals of the International University of Lake Constance for 2014 to 2017:

IBH a network to enhance:
- Transnational mobility (students, researchers, staff) in teaching and further education as well as supporting young scientists
- Joint projects across various school types to enhance teaching and research as well as university services
- Projects with a high relevance for the regional development
- Knowledge and technology transfer amongst academia and between academia and the region (SMEs)
- Research priority projects – focusing on our two key topics «energy, environment and mobility» as well as «education, social and health with particular attention to demographic change»

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The International University of Lake Constance (IBH) was founded in 2000 and is meanwhile the biggest cross-border inter-disciplinary network in Europe. A European wide acknowledged cooperation model of the International Lake Constance Conference (IBK). The IBH is a network of 30 universities in Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Liechtenstein. It enables networking of researchers and employees within the IBH-network. The IBH-members significantly contribute, together with local partners, to promote regionally relevant subjects of the Lake Constance region.

**EDUCATIONAL AREA**
You can find comprehensive education and training programs (www.hochschulfuehrer.net) within the region of Lake Constance. Thanks to joint and cross-border teaching- and training opportunities, the IBH contributes to strengthening the educational bonds within the Lake Constance area. Furthermore the IBH creates thematic working groups synergies and actively supports know-how transfer.

**RESEARCH AREA**
The IBH encourages cooperative research and development projects. It enables networking of researchers, a broad dissemination of research findings and is established as an attractive research area.

**LIVING SPACE**
Due to projects with regional impact, regional establishment and cross-border cooperation, the IBH increasingly supports the attractiveness of the location of the Lake Constance region.

**ECONOMIC AREA**
Joint projects between academia and regional stakeholders of industry and business support the knowledge transfer, and help support innovation processes. Thus the IBH strengthens the economy of the Lake Constance area.

30 universities with altogether:
- 100,000 students
- Over 300 study programs (training and further education)
- About 30 educational fields
- About 42,000 employees
- Annually around 16,000 graduates