

To Photonics21Secretariat via eMail: secretariat@photonics21.org

- Letter of Nomination Photonics21 Board of Stakeholders Election 2022

Dear Photonics21 Secretariat

We herewith submit the nomination of the following Photonics21 Board of Stakeholder candidate: **Czech optical cluster**, represented by Petr Přikryl.

Please find below detailed description of the candidate organisation and the candidate representative.

Sincerely,

Ing. Silvie Skyvova Chairwoman of the Executive Board Czech optical cluster

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1. Full legal name of the affiliation nominated as BoS Member (candidate's organisation):

Czech optical cluster

2. Full contact details of the affiliation (street, postal code, country) nominated as BoS Member and invoice address

Legal / invoicing address:

Cesky opticky klastr, z.s. (Czech optical cluster) Slechtitelu 813/21 77900 Olomouc-Holice Czech Republic

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3. Name of the suggested BoS Representative (the personal candidate)

Mgr. Petr Přikryl

a) Description of the activities and information about the expected contribution and value added the nominated BoS member (candidate's organisation) will bring to the BoS

Czech Optical Cluster was created with the aim to improve the conditions for optical industry development in the Czech Republic through cooperation of companies, public sector and educational sector in the entire value chain in the field of optics, optomechatronics, photonics, optoelectronics and fine mechanics, including related production, technology and service development in supplier's and customer's domain.

Czech Optical Cluster (COC) is a voluntary non-profit organization founded in 2017, which brings together and represents representatives of science and industry operating in the field of Optics and related fields.

COC carries out its activities mainly in these areas:

1. Industrial and Consumer Optics

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- 2. Military Optics
- 3. Lighting Technology
- 4. Laser Technology and Applications
- 5. Microscopy
- 6. Optical quantum technologies
- b) Description of the activities and information about expected contribution and value added the BoS Representative (candidate / person) will bring to the BoS.

Petr Přikryl is the executive manager and vice-chairman of the Exucutive Board of the Czech optical cluster. He initiated the creation of Czech optical cluster. He has been working in the optical industry since 2004, when he joined the optical company Meopta-optika. He worked there as the project manager, junior director of R&D department, senior manager of the project department. He has also participated in many R&D projects requiring an interdisciplinary approach. He was responsible mainly for the technology development cooperation. Especially this experience inspired him to found the Czech optical cluster. In the beginning (2017) there were 5 founding members and gradually a strong Czech optical platform emerged (40 members). In 2021 he moved to the cluster to the position of executive manager.

The aim of the Czech optical cluster is also to support European cooperation and build a competitive and resilient European photonics community. Behind all these activities stands Petr Přikryl, who is the key cluster manager in the Czech Republic. In 2023, the Czech Optical Cluster won the GOLDEN CLUSTER award. The award was given by the National Cluster Association for long-term support of the optical ecosystem in the Czech Republic. Petr Přikryl is a long-time member of the board of the Center for Advanced Electronics and Photon Optics.

Petr Přikryl can bring to the BoS the feedback and ideas from the entire Czech photonics community.