CHG-MERIDIAN employees and friendly teams play for a good cause in the region

* **At the in-house soccer tournament there is €2,500 to win for social and cultural engagement in the region**
* **The CARE Initiative at CHG-MERIDIAN supports**
**social initiative in its employees**
* **Mossakowski: "Give back to the region and its people"**

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The winners of this year's CHG-MERIDIAN Soccer Cup are the Radio 7 Drachenkinder, the Förderverein Coole Uhlen e.V. and Sport hilft! e.V. The three winners weren't actually on the field themselves when the Technology Management Department at CHG-MERIDIAN played for goals and points against a friendly team last week in Oberzell (Ravensburg district). But they still won. Because: Instead of giving standard prizes to the eight soccer teams who participated in the annual soccer tournament, the top three placed teams won a total of €2,500, which they could donate to a charity of their choice in the region.

**IT service provider Abakus wins the tournament**

Participating in the CHG-MERIDIAN soccer tournament, which has been held annually for the past eleven years and attracts teams from all over Germany and neighboring EU countries, were five soccer teams from the company as well as three friendly teams from the IT service provider Abakus in Waldburg, the Ravensburg Towerstars and the Deutsche Bank Ravensburg. This year for the first time the CHG-MERIDIAN Soccer Cup encouraged the football teams to commit to a good cause and use their sporting performance to make a positive contribution to the region.

The "Abakus & Friends" team from Waldburg finished in first place. Their prize money of €1,500 went to the Drachenkinder on Radio 7. The "CHG-MERIDIAN Mobilien" team (2nd place) supported the Förderverein Coole Uhlen in Essen with €500. Another €500 was donated by the "Ravensburg Towerstars" team (3rd place) to the Sport hilft! association, which supports ill children through the Ravensburg sport movement.

**CHG-MERIDIAN supports employees getting involved**

As part of social engagement, CHG-MERIDIAN supports its employees with selected social projects through the CARE Initiative. As part of the initiative employees can suggest social projects at their location which they would like to support with their personal involvement. CHG-MERIDIAN supports these employee initiatives with donations of money or materials.

"With the CARE Initiative we have expanded our understanding of engagement. In this way we are giving part of our company success back to the people in the regions near our 40 locations in 23 countries", says Jürgen Mossakowski, CEO of CHG-MERIDIAN, about the unusual idea, which is not only applied to the Soccer Cup but is also an ongoing commitment in the company. Mossakowski continues: "This means that we are expanding our engagement with an important component: Our employees. We are happy to be able to support and commit to what they find important, and what they identify as worthy of support in their social environment".

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