

Support for young talent - Siemens sponsors 5th EuroSkills vocational qualification competition



Gothenburg/Sweden. The WorldSkills Europe Organization and Siemens AG are committed to the encouragement of high-quality vocational training for youngsters around the world. From December 1st to 3rd, their efforts will culminate in the 5th EuroSkills Competition in Gothenburg. At the biggest event of its kind anywhere in Europe, around 490 participants from over 35 countries will be pitching their skills against each other under the banner “Developing Skills = Creating a Future” in 38 qualification fields. As Lead Skills Partner, Siemens will be sponsoring the competition in Gothenburg with state-of-the-art products from the Siemens automation portfolio. Alongside a sound school education, young people also need to be trained in vocational qualifications which will stand them in good stead in their future career and open the best possible job opportunities to them in the labor market. Working together with the WorldSkills Europe, Siemens AG is fully committed to supporting top quality vocational training for up and coming young talent around Europe by supporting vocational training centers in Europe over with technological expertise. “By committing to EuroSkills, we are supporting the best and most talented young specialists with top-class automation products, and raising the competition onto the Industrial level,” says Ralf-Michael Franke, CEO of the Business Unit Factory Automation at Siemens. The 5th EuroSkills Competition will be taking place from December 1st to 3rd, 2016 in Gothenburg, Sweden. The organizer, WorldSkills Sweden AB (Aktiebolag), selected the Exhibition & Congress Centre and the Gothia Towers as the venues for the event. Under the banner of “Developing Skills = Creating a Future,” around 30,000 visitors are expected to travel to the city for the three days of the competition. In the total of 44 disciplines, around 490 participants up to 25 years of age from over 30 countries will be pitching their skills against each other to win the gold medal. Siemens will be taking part as Lead Skills Partner with its own booth. Within the framework of the competition, Siemens will provide the equipment for the vocational disciplines “Industrial Control”, “Electrical Installations”, “Refrigeration/Air Conditioning”. The machines provided for the skills CNC Milling are equipped with Siemens CNC controllers”. The company’s commitment to the competition is linked to its “Siemens Automation Cooperates with Education” (SCE) program, which offers teaching materials and courses to educators in a bid to convey information about Digitalization. “ Our partnership with WordSkills Sweden is an important part of our contribution to the Smart Industry initiative of the Swedish government, so Thomas Stetter, Division Lead Digital Factory in the Nordic region.: Hubert Romer, President of WorldSkills Europe, confirmed that the caliber of skills within the manufacturing and engineering technology cluster had been significantly boosted by support from Siemens. Captions WorldSkills competition Skill “Industrial Control” Skill „CNC Milling“