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Europe's best

Siemens sponsors EuroSkills the European vocational skills competition in Budapest



Budapest, Hungary. The European Championship for vocational education (EuroSkills) is due to be held in Budapest from 26 to 28 September 2018. Under the banner "Prepare for the Best," the apprentices will compete against each other's in 37 disciplines.

Europe's biggest competition of its kind is taking place for the sixth time and Siemens is one of the main sponsors. By supporting EuroSkills, the company aims to raise awareness about the importance of high-quality vocational training. Siemens provides hardware and software products from its automation portfolio

and advises participants before the competitions.

The professional world increasingly calls for qualified skilled individuals, which makes a comprehensive vocational training the foundation of a successful career. EuroSkills competition, the European equivalent of WorldSkills allows young people to measure their skills in various disciplines. This performance comparison of non-academic occupations takes place biennial. A total of over 600 talented youngsters up to the age of 25 from 29 European countries will be pitting their skills against each other in Budapest. My personal

motivation for supporting the EuroSkills competition is that I believe everyone should be given the chance to discover and develop their own skill set,” says Ralf-Michael Franke, CEO of the Siemens Factory Automation Business Unit.

Support through expertise and technology

This year’s EuroSkills, which is expected to attract some 80,000 visitors, will be held at the Budapest Fair Center (Hungexpo) and is organized by the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Well ahead of the three-day competition, Siemens makes its technical know-how, learning and training documents as well as technical advice available to the vocational training centers for preparation. Siemens supplies automation products for the competitions, for example, Simatic S7 controller for the “Industrial Control” discipline (Skill 19) and Logo! logic modules for the “Electrical Installations” discipline (Skill 18). In the “CNC Milling” competition (Skill 7), the machines are equipped with Siemens computer numerical controllers. At the Siemens booth, Siemens Hungary will present its vocational training offers and give visitors the opportunity to discover their skills.

Fit for digitalization

Siemens’ commitment to EuroSkills is an essential element of the Siemens Automation Cooperates with Education (SCE) program, which offers educators active support in the areas of drive technology, automation and digitalization. “Our partnership with SkillsHungary is an integral part of our initiative to support digitalization also in education,” explains Dale André Martin, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Siemens Hungary. Tamás Bihall, CEO of SkillStar 2018 Nonprofit Kft. and EuroSkills Budapest 2018 adds: “The caliber of skills for production and engineering professions has been significantly boosted by support from Siemens.”

WorldSkills Europe is a partner organization of WorldSkills International (founded 1950). Both organizations strive for the same goal: “Improve our world with the power of skills”. WorldSkills Europe organizes in cooperation with the European host country the biannually EuroSkills competition for non-academic occupations. The overarching objective is to exchange information, best practices and methods as well as offer an European platform for vocational training standards.

Caption:

The sixth EuroSkills vocational skills competition is due to be staged in September 2018 and will be hosted in Budapest/Hungary.

As one of the main sponsors of the event, Siemens will be supplying available products for a number of competitions.

Alongside high-grade automation products from its current portfolio, Siemens will also be offering participants support in preparation for the competitions.

For more information:

WorldSkills:
www.siemens.com/worldskills

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