

Press Release

69 apprentices are starting the new year of training at Gebrüder Weiss

International logistics group focuses on high quality apprenticeships / Two pillars of learning: specialist knowledge and social skills

Lauterach, September 14, 2017. Despite the tense situation on the apprenticeship market, the international transport and logistics company has again been able to maintain a consistently high number of new apprentices in 2017. 69 young men and women have just started their apprenticeship in Austria, Germany and Switzerland (2016: 60). Gebrüder Weiss currently offers six apprenticeships: freight forwarding agents, logistics specialists, operations logistics specialists, IT technicians, office administrators and professional drivers.

„As one of the best apprenticing companies in the country we have much to offer to young people. Also in times of shortage of specialists young people accept this offer,“ explains Monika Mandl, Head of Human Resources Development East Region at Gebrüder Weiss. The company specifically provides information at apprentice fairs and presents its job profiles on social media channels such as [Whatchado](#) and [Facebook](#), as well as on its own careers website, www.gw-world.com/greatjobs, to show young people the broad spectrum of apprenticeships on offer.

Offering the opportunity to experience corporate culture

Gebrüder Weiss has focused on two pillars of learning for its apprentices: the acquisition of theoretical and practical expertise on the one hand, and the development of personal skills on the other. A large number of internal and external seminars, language courses, team-building activities and field trips provide the apprentices with extensive training and strengthen links beyond national borders.

Great importance is also attached to social projects during the apprenticeship. "In the context of our corporate values, we feel it is important to teach young people also about social responsibility. It is essential to be able to have access to well-qualified professionals, and it is equally important to provide the opportunity to experience our corporate culture and to develop commitment in our apprentices," says Mandl.

Gebrüder Weiss currently employs a total of 219 apprentices at 29 locations in Austria, Germany and Switzerland.

Further information about apprenticeships at Gebrüder Weiss is available at

www.gw-world.com/greatjobs.

About Gebrüder Weiss

With over 6,500 employees, 150 company-owned locations and an annual turnover of 1.36 billion euros (2016), Gebrüder Weiss ranks among Europe's leading transport and logistics companies. In addition to its core business of land transport, air & sea freight and logistics, the company operates a number of highly specialised industry solutions and subsidiaries under the umbrella of Gebrüder Weiss Holding AG, based in Lauterach (Austria). This includes logistics consultancy firm x|vise, tectraxx (industry specialist for hi-tech businesses), inet-logistics (software solutions for TMS transport management), dicall (communications solutions, market research, and training), Rail Cargo (railway transport) and the Gebrüder Weiss parcel service GWP, co-partner of the Austrian company DPD. This bundling of services allows the corporate group to respond to customer needs quickly and flexibly. Having implemented a variety of environmental, economic and social initiatives, today the family-run company with a 500-year history is a pioneer in sustainable business practices.

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