

Press Release

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First-hand insights into the training of a world market leader

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On May 25, Herrenknecht AG invited interested boys and girls from local schools together with their parents to the Training Day at the Schwanau plant. In the state-of-the-art training workshop, over 350 visitors took the opportunity to look behind the scenes of the technology leader in mechanized tunnelling. At 15 stations and hands-on activities, the young people were able to discover the training opportunities and experience first-hand what tasks await apprentices.

Even before the official start (at 10 a.m.) on May 25, despite the bright sunshine the first visitors arrived at the Herrenknecht AG training workshop in Schwanau. Altogether more than 350 visitors informed themselves about the diverse training opportunities. The clear presentation of the individual training occupations as well as hands-on activities gave the pupils practical insights into the reality of an apprenticeship. At 15 stations, the 13 different training occupations in the industrial, technical and commercial areas as well as three options for joining the company while studying were presented.

Making a rose out of metal, designing technical drawings and using a soldering iron quickly brought existing talent and interest in the underlying training occupation to light. Theoretical job descriptions thus came to life as something that could be experienced in a practical setting. The inside of a tunnel boring machine could be explored virtually using VR glasses. Interested participants in the half-hourly plant tour were treated to live impressions. The highlight of the visit was the rotating cutting wheel of a tunnel boring machine for a metro project.

The apprentices and training supervisors willingly answered questions onsite about the application process, the theoretical and practical content of the training occupations and degree internship programs, as well as about the course of the apprenticeship. The opportunity to receive first-hand information was gladly used.

Klaus Himmelsbach, Head of Training at Herrenknecht AG, is satisfied: "I am personally pleased that the offer to get a taste of our apprenticeships is so well

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received. It's simply great if we can inspire young people about our company and create transparency. Because only if pupils can really get an idea of what the training occupations are like are they able to choose the right apprenticeship."

Currently there are about 150 apprentices and student trainees at Herrenknecht AG undergoing training in Schwanau. As of the new training year, Herrenknecht offers a total of 180 young people apprenticeships and degree internships, making it one of the largest trainers in the region. The training team is donating all of the takings from the barbecue, coffee and cake stalls to the Freiburg Children's Cancer Clinic.

Photos

Close-up insights into the training of a world market leader



Photo 1

At 15 stations, the diverse training opportunities were presented in a practical setting. With hands-on activities, visitors were able to experience the respective vocation up close and have a go themselves.



Photo 2

There was great interest in the various offers and the state-of-the-art machine park in the training workshop.

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Photo 3

Last Saturday, Herrenknecht invited school pupils and their families to a Training Day in its training workshop. Together with their parents, around 350 boys and girls took the opportunity to look behind the scenes at the Schwanau tunnelling technology company.

For further information: Please contact us.

Herrenknecht AG

Herrenknecht AG is the only company worldwide to deliver tunnel boring machines for all geologies and in all diameters – ranging from 0.10 to 19 meters. The product range comprises tailor-made machines for traffic, supply and disposal tunnels, technologies for routing of pipe lines, as well as additional equipment and service packages. Herrenknecht also manufactures drilling equipment for vertical and inclined shafts as well as deep drilling rigs.

The Herrenknecht Group achieved a total output of 1,316 million euros in 2018. The independent family business employs about 5,000 people worldwide, from which 180 are trainees. With 80 domestic and overseas subsidiaries and associated companies working in related fields, Herrenknecht provides comprehensive fast and targeted services close to each project and contractor.

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