



Press release

KNX at EuroSkills 2014

The popularity of conventional installation methods not using bus technology is set to decline in the near future. For this reason, it is very important that apprentices and those at the beginning of their careers are familiarized with bus technology and building control right from the start. KNX, as the only provider of a globally-standardized bus technology, is therefore proud to announce that the European WorldSkills competition will be based on the KNX technology.

The home and building control of the future will require highly-trained professional people. The KNX bus technology presents an excellent opportunity for companies to provide young professionals with good prospects after their apprenticeship is finished, and thus bind them to the company.

Following the general trend in home and building technology, the organization of WorldSkills has decided to base its competition on KNX. The venue for this world premiere was ExCel, in London, back in 2011. Since then, the KNX technology played an important role in many international competitions, such as EuroSkills Competition 2014. The next WorldSkills competition based on KNX will be held in the form of the WorldSkills ASEAN Competition Hanoi, 23. – 28.10.2014.

“The youth of today is open to change: we are obliged to give them the opportunity in the future to get involved in the exciting sector of electro-technology and KNX. We hope that all the participants enjoy the competition and wish them every success with KNX” said the organizers of EuroSkills 2014 in Lille.

KNX Association, its members as well as training centers and KNX partners have invested a great deal to ensure that the young generation’s knowledge on KNX has improved. New KNX Training centers have been set up in many new countries, reaching a total of 300 KNX Training centers in 54 countries! Already today many contestants and experts of WorldSkills are listed as one of the 40,000 certified KNX Partners.

Save the Date – EuroSkills from 2 to 4 October 2014 in Lille, France.

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Fig. 1: The EuroSkills 2014 logo



Fig. 2: The KNX logo

About EuroSkills

After organising the national finals for the 40th Skills Olympiad in 2009, the Nord-Pas de Calais Regional Council was granted the organisation of EuroSkills in Lille. From 2 to 4 October 2014, some 500 young people from all over Europe will compete in the biggest European competition on manual, technical and technological skills: EuroSkills, organised for the first time in France!

www.euroskills2014.org

About KNX

KNX Association is the creator and owner of the **KNX** technology – the worldwide STANDARD for all applications in home and building control, ranging from lighting and shutter control to various security systems, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, monitoring, alarming, water control, energy management, smart metering as well as household appliances, audio/video and lots more. **KNX** is the worldwide standard for home and building control with a single, manufacturer independent design and commissioning tool (ETS), with a complete set of supported communication media (TP, PL, RF and IP) as well as a complete set of supported configuration modes (system and easy mode). **KNX** is approved as a European (CENELEC EN 50090 and CEN EN 13321-1) and an International standard (ISO/IEC 14543-3). This standard is based upon more than 24 years of experience in the market. More than 360 member companies worldwide from different application domains have almost 7000 **KNX** certified product groups in their catalogues. The **KNX** Association has partnership agreements with more than 43,000 installer companies in more than 125 countries.

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