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DEUTZ apprentice named best in Germany

- Matthias Lotze is Germany's best production mechanic
- Seven apprentices awarded certificates of merit by the Chamber of Industry and Commerce
- Training center recognized for outstanding achievements

The Chamber of Industry and Commerce (IHK) presented awards for outstanding achievement to seven DEUTZ apprentices at various levels this year. Yesterday, Matthias Lotze was honored by the German Chamber of Industry and Commerce in Berlin for his excellent results in his final exam to become a production mechanic. These results make him Germany's best examinee in his profession.

On November 22, the IHK in southern Westphalia also honored Keanu-Santino Lehmann and Lennard Plotzky, trainee metal technology specialists in the field of machining in North Rhine-Westphalia, for their very good exam results. Alongside the three other apprentices, the Cologne IHK also named Simon Schneider and Marlon Wallraf as the best mechatronics fitter apprentices. On October 29, Dr. Dieter Steinkamp, Vice President of the Cologne Chamber of Industry and Commerce, and Christopher Meier, CEO of the Cologne IHK, presented certificates of merit to the five apprentices in recognition of their very good exam results. The Ulm IHK named Dominik Müller as best industrial mechanic apprentice and Alisa Schlaich as best apprentice industrial clerk with additional qualifications on November 8.

DEUTZ AG itself also won an award from the Cologne IHK for the excellent standard of its vocational training. "We are proud that the standards we maintain in our vocational training have once again won recognition this year. It encourages us to continue investing in our apprentices," said Dr. Andreas Strecker, member of the DEUTZ Board of Management for finance, procurement, HR, and IT. "The commitment shown every day by our apprentices and instructors is extraordinary. We are particularly delighted that they have received certificates of merit for their efforts," added Frank Opitz, head of the DEUTZ training center. Since 2011, 25 apprentices at



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DEUTZ AG in Cologne have won awards for their final exams. This is the ninth year in a row that the training center has been recognized in this way by the Cologne IHK.



Caption: The Chamber of Industry and Commerce (IHK) honored five apprentices of the DEUTZ training centre in Cologne for their very good exam results.

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