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Education and certification as DVS's top subjects at SteelFab 2017

Düsseldorf, February 7, 2017. For the first time, the German Welding Society (DVS) successfully initiated the German Pavilion at the SteelFab fair in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates. However, not only that: Together with DVS Media GmbH, GSI SLV-TR and Messe Essen GmbH, DVS was represented at SteelFab in the Expo Centre Sharjah from January 16 to 19, 2017 with its own booth for the first time. On DVS's joint booth, the visitors showed their interest, above all, in education and certification for welders in the Arabian region.

Therefore, Professor Dr.-Ing. Heinrich Flegel, President of DVS, and Dr.-Ing. Roland Boecking, General Manager of DVS, designated the premiere with the interested inquiries on DVS's joint booth at SteelFab as "successful". Both not only gained an impression of the most important trade fair for steel processing in the region but were also involved in the opening ceremony. There, Professor Flegel and Dr. Boecking explained the significance of the society in joining technology to the representatives of the emirate, the economy and Messe Sharjah. During a visit to three production workshops of Unger Steel, Onyx Building Systems and Eversendai which produce steel structures in particular, they gained an insight into the working sequences of firms in the United Arab Emirates. These structures are needed not only mainly for high-rise buildings but also for the buildings at EXPO 2020 which will take place in Dubai in three years.

On its joint booth, DVS dealt with the demand for education and certification possibilities in the field of welding. The booth officer explained the structure of the society with its education division and the comprehensive range of education on offer. In this respect, she drew attention to the various career paths in welding technology which were also portrayed with pictures on the fair wall. On the booth of

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the representatives of GSI SLV-TR, Turkey, a foreign company of GSI – Gesellschaft für Schweißtechnik International mbH was able to provide information about the practical training at GSI. As a supplement to the subject of "Education in welding technology", the visitors were given an initial insight into the world of welding on the virtual welding trainer. Any interested visitors to the fair were able to directly test their welding abilities themselves under competent instruction.

Messe Essen also showed its satisfaction on DVS's joint booth. It provided information about SCHWEISSEN & SCHNEIDEN which will this year welcomed as guest in Düsseldorf from September 25 to 29. Messe Essen was happy to answer any open questions about this as well as about the various foreign fairs which DVS supports.

All in all, the 27 German exhibitors on the German Pavilion were very satisfied with the results at SteelFab. A lot of deals were concluded and new contacts established. In this respect, the implementation company DEGA-EXPOTEAM GmbH offered competent advice and assistance to the German exhibitors. Already for 2018, some firms have registered their interest in taking part in the German Pavilion.

SteelFab 2018 will take place in Sharjah for the 13th time from January 14 to 17.

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