

## PRESS RELEASE

### Two DEUTZ apprentices among the best in Germany

- Award-winning: Timo Hartmann and Annika Friederike Witzgall are among Germany's best
- Nine DEUTZ apprentices make their mark at local, regional, and national level
- DEUTZ has proud tradition of providing high-quality vocational training for young talent

Cologne, November 22, 2021 – Simply outstanding: The exceptional achievements of DEUTZ apprentices have been honored for the eleventh consecutive year. On Friday, Northern Westphalia's Chamber of Industry and Commerce (IHK Nord Westfalen) presented regional and national awards to four of the engine manufacturer's trainees.

Two of the best apprentices in Germany were trained at DEUTZ. IHK Nord Westfalen presented national level awards to Timo Hartmann, a metal technology apprentice, and Annika Friederike Witzgall, an apprentice IT applications developer, for the excellent results they achieved in their final exams. Tobias Lauscher and Batuhan Yüksel, who have both completed DEUTZ production mechanic apprenticeships, were also among the best of their peers in the state of North Rhine-Westphalia.

"We are immensely proud of our young colleagues. Despite the difficult conditions during the coronavirus pandemic, they have completed their training and exams with top grades. Our congratulations to them all! These most recent awards are also testament to the high standard of vocational training at DEUTZ," says Dr. Sebastian C. Schulte, member of the DEUTZ Board of Management and Human Resources Director.

On October 4, 2021, the Cologne Chamber of Industry and Commerce had already presented awards to five other DEUTZ apprentices whose exam results were among the best in the city of Cologne. The Training Department's Wall of Fame, where the award certificates for outstanding achievement received by DEUTZ apprentices are displayed, continues to expand. Since 2010, the engine manufacturer's trainees have received 36 local awards, 17 regional awards, and four

awards at national level. DEUTZ has a long tradition of providing its own vocational training, with the company starting to offer apprenticeships over 100 years ago.



Caption: From left to right: Annika Witzgall, Tobias Lauscher, Timo Hartmann, Batuhan Yüksel  
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