

### **CAREER & Competence - The largest career fair for students, graduates and young professionals in West Austria**

CAREER & Competence has been West Austria's largest career fair for more than 13 years. Well-known and fascinating exhibitors, an informative and extensive support program and other fair highlights have made CAREER & Competence one of the most popular future meeting places for young people. For companies and organizations it offers a unique platform to meet with students, graduates and young professionals on equal terms and to attract the talents of tomorrow and today. On [messedatum messe="cc"], there's another chance for companies and young people to exchange ideas and socialise for the first time. The largest recruiting fair in West Austria will take place as always at the Congress Innsbruck.

### **The largest career platform for academics from West Austria**

The approximately 2,000 visitors can again look forward to more than 70 exhibitors and organisations in 2020. The students, top performers, graduates and young professionals can inform themselves about the regional, national and international companies and organizations from the most diverse fields and take a first step in finding their ideal future employer. You have the opportunity to get first-hand information and to develop a valuable network for the future. For companies and organisations on the other hand, CAREER & Competence offers a unique opportunity to get in touch with the well-trained specialists of tomorrow and to attract them to their company. In addition, companies can present themselves to a broad audience, establish cross-industry contacts, and thus score points in the highly competitive market for skilled workers. Particularly noteworthy is again the high proportion of STEM students (25-30 percent).

### **An extensive side program with great support for starting a career**

As in previous years, visitors can again look forward to many highlights in 2020. Professional job application photos, check of job application documents or participation in personality tests, coaching sessions and table talks are part of the various free extras. The diverse program is again aimed at students and graduates of the various disciplines, who will learn the most important matters on the subject of job application and career in exciting talks and discussion groups. And as always, the entire offer is of course free of charge!

### **The MASTER Lounge turns 4 years old**

In addition to the chance of exchanging ideas with companies, this year young people will again be able to obtain information on master degree programs in the MASTER Lounge. Undergraduates and graduates as well as professionals who are thinking about continuing their education can obtain information from academic institutions from all over Austria and abroad and receive detailed advice on a wide range of master study programs.

### **Top Performers meet top companies**

The Top Performer Pool offers a special service that is intended to assist companies in their search for personnel during the recruiting fair. Top Performers are defined as highly qualified students, who are characterised by above-average professional and personal competencies and are nominated by their respective faculty in a multi-stage selection process. In the run-up to CAREER & Competence they will receive information on job and internship offers advertised and also enjoy the advantage of

being able to arrange appointments with company representatives at CAREER & Competence in advance. Companies have the option of directing job offers and internships straight to the pool of Top Performers.

### **About the CAREER & Competence**

The career event, which today is considered the largest recruiting fair in Western Austria, took place for the first time in 2008 in Innsbruck. Since 2017, the MASTER Lounge has been organised within the framework of the CAREER & Competence, with 15 to 20 academic institutions and universities presenting over 550 study programs. The fair is organised by the SoWi-Holding, which has more than 30 years of experience in event management and is also responsible for the organisation of BeSt<sup>3</sup> (on behalf of the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Science, Research and Economy as well as the Employment Service Austria) and the VISIO Tirol. Last year (2019), CAREER & Competence was able to record 57 exhibitors (as well as 17 MASTER Lounge exhibitors) and around 1,800 visitors. For 2020, around 2,000 to 2,500 visitors and around 70 exhibitors are expected.

### **Additional information**

CAREER & Competence - the career fair for students, graduates and young professionals

April 29th, 2020, 09:00-16:00

Congress Center Innsbruck, Rennweg 3, A-6020 Innsbruck

**Admission free!**

Further information about the fair can be found under:

<https://www.career-competence.at/>

Registration under:

<https://sowiholding.at/registrierung/>

## Impressions 2019:

