Press Release



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Airbus hosts "Carnet de Vol Alternance" events to help student apprentices find employment in the aerospace sector

In Nantes on 28 June and Toulouse on 30 June, Airbus hosted two new editions of its "Carnet de Vol Alternance" event to help student apprentices find jobs. Nearly 500 apprentices leaving Airbus Group, Airbus, Airbus Helicopters, Airbus Defence and Space, ATR and STELIA Aerospace, met around one hundred recruiting companies for individual interviews.

Airbus Group's goal is to promote the professional integration of the apprentices from its divisions and subsidiaries on completion of their training, by putting them in contact with companies that are recruiting. And, to prepare for these "job dating" events, all the apprentices nearing the end of their contracts have been offered training to improve their job interview techniques.

The events are part of a quality-focussed initiative to provide support from the aerospace sector for the apprentices leaving Airbus.

"The skills acquired by the student apprentices during their training at Airbus Group can easily be transferred and adapted. Thanks to this support, we can increase their chances of integration and allow our partner companies to benefit from qualified applicants," said Thierry Baril, Chief Human Resources Officer of Airbus Group and Airbus.

Besides the small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and large companies present, temporary employment agencies Air Emploi and Pôle Emploi attended the events to provide their backing and advice to the future graduates. Airbus's other partners for these events were also present: the GIFAS aerospace industries association; the Pays de la Loire Region; the UIMM metalworkers union; the MEDEF employers association; and the Toulouse and Nantes Saint-Nazaire Chambers of Commerce and Industry. Institutional representatives from the DIRECCTE regional enterprise, competition, consumers, work and job directorates, and the Education Authorities also attended.

Since 2013, Airbus has been developing its "shared apprenticeship schemes". They allow apprentices to enrich their training and experience by carrying out their training in two companies, one of which is Airbus. With this scheme, these young people's professional integration is also encouraged.

At present, Airbus Group has more than 1,800 student apprentices on its French sites, where they are undergoing training for professions ranging from production to engineering and including technical, support and service functions.

Airbus Group is a global leader in aeronautics, space and related services. In 2015, the Group comprising Airbus, Airbus Defence and Space and Airbus Helicopters - generated revenues of € 64.5 billion and employed a workforce of around 136,600.

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