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Berliner Glas Group welcomes 22 apprentices
Training quality again confirmed with excellent

16 dedicated junior employees have begun their dual study program and training at Berliner Glas in Berlin on September 2nd. The Group company SwissOptic AG in Heerbrugg, Switzerland, will be supported by six new trainees. An intensive induction process makes it easier for new talent to start working at this leading supplier of optical key components, assemblies, and systems.

Of these professional beginners, four decided to pursue a dual study program in design and production as well as business administration/industry. Ten started their industrial and technical training as a precision optician and two as a machining technician. The Berliner Glas Group currently has 34 apprentices and dual program students on staff.

Image: New apprentices and dual program students in Berlin

Training enjoys a special status, which is demonstrated by the repeat “Excellent Training Quality” award from the IHK. The Group’s excellent training quality was confirmed for the first time in 2017. This IHK seal is an acknowledgment and recognition of the extensive commitment of the Berliner Glas Group as an educational enterprise. However, the Group invests in much more than its young talent; in 2018 Berliner Glas created its own training and learning environment with its modern training center in Berlin.
During their training, new employees will pass through many departments and acquire valuable practical experience. They learn the theoretical basis at vocational schools and university. In addition to professional qualification, the Berliner Glas Group is also focused on the personal development of the apprentices and dual program students.

“We place great emphasis on training our specialists ourselves, and that is what we are doing this year, too. This is of strategic importance to us in light of the company’s steady growth in recent years and the existing shortage of skilled workers,” says HR manager Dr. Regina Draheim-Krieg.

The application and selection phase for the 2020 training year has already begun at the Berliner Glas Group. Training spots will be provided in the coming year as well. More information on educational options at Berliner Glas and SwissOptic can be found on their respective career websites: https://www.berlinerglas.de/ausbildung and https://www.swissoptic.ag/ausbildung-swissoptic.

**About the Berliner Glas Group:**
The Berliner Glas Group ([www.berlinerglassgroup.com](http://www.berlinerglassgroup.com)) is one of the world’s leading providers of optical key components, assemblies and systems, high-quality refined technical glass as well as glass touch assemblies. With more than 1,500 employees, the BERLINER GLAS GROUP develops, produces and integrates optics, mechanics and electronics into innovative system solutions for its customers. As OEM partners from concept to volume production, the Berliner Glas Group companies serve innovative customers in various market segments – semiconductor industry, laser and space technology, medical technology, metrology and the display industry.

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