

European Skills Championships start tomorrow with opening ceremony: and top designer Eva Poleschinski provides the EuroSkills look

Over the last few days, presenter Karoline Rath-Zobernig and the EuroSkills heroes have been dressed by top designer Eva Poleschinski and the traditional fashion house "Kastner & Öhler".

Graz (OTS) - Premstätten, near Graz, can now take its place alongside fashion hotspots like New York, Berlin, Paris and Tokyo. That's because exclusive outfits by top designer Eva Poleschinski will be on show to the admiration of guests at the opening ceremony of the European Skills Championships, EuroSkills, due to start tomorrow. The designer, a native of the Styrian town of Hartberg and a star on the international fashion scene since 2008, is responsible for designing the outfits to be worn by the opening ceremony presenter Karoline Rath-Zobernig and EuroSkills heroines Lisa Janisch (European Painting and Decorating Champion 2016), Birgit Haberschrick (2014 gold medallist in Floristry) und Melanie Seidl (gold medallist in the 2012 Stonemasonry competition). "I'm really looking forward to being able to play a part in the European Skills Championships and help raise the profile of vocational education. I would like to wish all competitors the best of luck and every success for the challenging contests," said the top designer from Styria. Readers will be interested to know that Ms. Poleschinski has presented her collections at events including the Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week in Berlin, the Slovak and Indie Fashion Night in New York, Zagreb Fashion Week, and at shows in Paris in Tokyo. In 2014 she was also named "Designer of the Year" at the Vienna Awards for Fashion & Lifestyle.

Kastner & Öhler to fit out the heroes

As for the men, EuroSkills heroes Manfred Zink (2015 WorldSkills gold medallist in Cabinetmaking) and Fabian Gwiggner (2016 gold medallist in Graphic Design) have been fitted out by the traditional fashion house "Kastner & Öhler": "As brand ambassadors, we are looking forward to being part of this great project," said the duo. What advice do they have for the current competitors? "Prepare carefully for the event, work hard on your craftsmanship and follow the plan that your trainer has drawn up for you. But never forget to enjoy the work itself. When you take part in the European Skills Championship, you should savour every moment to the full," says Gwiggner. Zink emphasises: "If you do what you do every day, constantly working on your skills and always trying to improve them, then you, too, can become a European champion. Choosing your career carefully is therefore very important."

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