

FIRST JOB AND EDUCATION FAIR FOR RENEWABLE ENERGIES AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN OLDENBURG

The „zukunftsenergien nordwest“, opened its gates for the first time on the 5th and 6th of March 2010.

With 74 exhibitors involved in renewable energies and energy efficiency the EWE ARENA in Oldenburg was fully booked. The more than 4000 visitors of the fair from all over Germany met attractive employers with open job opportunities, traineeships, informed themselves on prospects for further education, and received insight into the branch by taking part in technical workshops. This program was complemented by excursions to well-known companies and regional facilities.

The job and education fair was sponsored by aleo solar Deutschland GmbH, ENERCON GmbH, EWE AG, EnviTec Biogas AG and organized by the University of Oldenburg and ForWind – Center for Wind Energy Research of the Universities Oldenburg, Hannover and Bremen.

The next Job and education fair „zukunftsenergien nordwest“ will be held on 11th and 12th of March 2011, in Bremen.

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1st Job-Fair with respect to Renewable Energy at EWE-Arena in Oldenburg

PERSONAL COMMENTS ABOUT FIRST JOB AND EDUCATION FAIR FOR RENEWABLE ENERGIES...

"The Job-Fair in Oldenburg mainly addressed students, but also freelancers and other people of the renewable energy sector. From the very beginning we were welcomed with a warm smile and a catalogue with all the companies present.

By far the highest numbers of jobs were offered by wind companies. Being interested in this field I had the opportunity in talking with most of the people involved in the promotion of their companies. Most of them provided me with valuable information like how to apply for a certain position in their company or how to present the subject of the thesis I would like to do. For a future job seeker the main idea is never to give up, and if one has an idea for a thesis project, he/she should submit it. At first I didn't enter the building with high hopes, knowing from previous experiences that job fairs usually don't have too many positions available for students, but somehow this fair changed my opinion. It was really nice to see the amount of projects proposed both in wind and solar, where a lot of changes will take place in coming years. A number of universities were present at the fair including Oldenburg, Kassel, Hamburg, and Bremen University. And a number of research institutes were also present to allure us into the world of science with very interesting research programs.

What this fair had in common with all the other fairs I've participated so far, was the fact that most of the jobs were offered by companies with more than 1.000 employees, and that the smaller companies had openings only for people with professional experience. The good part was that the companies that promised master thesis really had a broad range of topics available.

To conclude, there was something for everybody in the end if you really searched, and also checked the board with all the jobs available at the fair. There were plenty of jobs, plenty of opportunities if one had the knowledge, determination and will to work."

by Ms. Andreea Costache,
Romania (EUREC 2009/10)

"With respect to my opinion, I found the job fair very good to have a first approach with human resource managers in good companies, if you are looking for an internship or a job position. There were around 70 companies related with wind, solar and bio-energy, but also universities offering M.Sc. and Ph.D. positions. The companies which attracted most of the attention of visitors were GE, GL (with GH), Enercon, Siemens, Fraunhofer IWES, Bosch, REpower and Vestas, who offered interviews to students and recent graduates from different parts of Germany. Some PPRE students managed to make a good impression among the representatives of the companies, who showed interest in the search for certain profiles in particular, students with a background either in engineering or renewable energy. For me this was a good opportunity to talk with people, who are directly involved with human resource processes within those companies. According to my experience, it is much better when you go to talk with an idea of the opening positions, which are usually posted on the websites and on the boards in the event, for instance, you can discuss real opportunities to be hired. In summary, this event was focused to people looking for a job or educational opportunities, in order to succeed the first step."

by Miguel Angel Pérez,
Venezuela (EUREC 2008/09)