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PRESS RELEASE

ALPINE: Apprentices are building a house

House for SOS Children's Village in East Tyrol being built by apprentices

The SOS Children's Village in Nussdorf-Debant, East Tyrol, the second-oldest SOS Children's Village in the world, is being rehabilitated and a total of 26 new houses built as part of a family village. ALPINE is building the carcass of one house with apprentices only. "We considered implementing this project as part of ALPINE's apprentice campaign and everyone is enthusiastic," says Josef Mietschnig, ALPINE's Group Leader in charge of the apprentices. Approximately 15 apprentices are taking turns working on the construction site under professional supervision. "This quickly teaches our apprentices to assume responsibility. They can also see 'their project' growing and are extremely proud of it," adds Mietschnig.

Apprentice campaign

Training apprentices has a long tradition at ALPINE. Great importance is attached to a sound vocational training and a familiar atmosphere. Attractive training and further education programs can lay the cornerstone for an interesting career in an innovative, international company. Many members of staff pursued their careers through an apprenticeship. This construction company boosted its apprentice campaign this year and is taking on up to 100 apprentices. Apprentices passing the apprenticeship examination with a grade of "outstanding" win a € 1,000 bonus. A few positions are still open, says Mietschnig, who urges interested youths to register on the company's website. www.alpine.at.

*The Austrian **ALPINE** company, a member of the FCC Group, is a global player. With a construction output of EUR 3.4 billion in 2009 and a staff of 15,234, ALPINE is the second largest construction company in Austria. For more information visit: www.alpine.at.*

Photos:

Photo 1: Apprentices at work at the SOS apprentices' house
Photo 2 FRTL: Mr. Pfurner (foreman), seven apprentices in different years of their apprenticeship currently at work on site, Mr. Wibmer (assistant foreman), Mr. Heregger (site manager) in front of the SOS apprentices' house currently under construction

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