

# Apprentice Exchange 2024 in Kremsmünster

## Julius and Steffen from Diepenau spend ten days gaining hands-on technical experience at HAHN Automation Group Austria

From March 4 to 15, 2024, Steffen and I had the opportunity to visit the HAHN Automation Group site in Kremsmünster, Austria. After driving nine hours from Diepenau, we arrived at our accommodations and checked in without any issues.

The next day was our first day of work. Philipp, the local training instructor, welcomed us and gave us a tour of the company, explaining the different systems and production processes. We were then assigned to various machines for the following two weeks. Julius worked on the Birkenstock system, while Steffen was assigned to the Fronius system. There, we gained many insights. For example, we helped with commissioning, moved and taught robots, adjusted positions, and connected and wired the system.



In our free time, Julia and Philipp showed us the most beautiful place in Austria in 2018: Schiederweiher ("Schieder-Pond") in Hinterstoder. We went on a short hike, followed by a break and a beer, as is traditional in Austria. In addition to visiting Schiederweiher, we also toured the beautiful city of Linz and the Kremsmünster Abbey.



After another week full of exciting experiences and tasks, we had a farewell dinner with the apprentices and Philipp to end our stay. For that, we all drove to Wels together to have Chinese food. The next morning, we headed back home.

Overall, we highly recommend an apprentice exchange because it provides new perspectives and the opportunity to learn about another HAHN Automation Group company. We would like to thank our Austrian colleagues for this great experience, as well as for taking the time to explain everything to us despite the language barrier. 😊