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Specialist Value Added for All the Visitors to the Fair:

Extensive Supporting Program at SHK ESSEN

Continuing Education in Congresses, Workshops and Tours

SHK ESSEN is more than a pure fair. As the sectoral platform with an all-encompassing supporting program, it offers space for networking, the exchange of ideas and continuing education. A package which consists of informative workshops, tours and forums and was appropriately tailored to the most diverse target groups amongst the visitors was elaborated with strong partners such as the North Rhine-Westphalia Trade Association for Sanitation, Heating and Air Conditioning (FV SHK NRW), the Federal Association of Companies in the Gas and Water Sectors (figawa), the Federation of German Heating Industry (BDH) or also the Trade Association for Building Air Conditioning (FGK). In this respect, attention will focus on topical subjects from the fields of sanitation, heating and air conditioning.

There will be the premiere of the Forum for Residential Ventilation which will be staged in Fair Hall 2 by the BDH, FGK and FV SHK NRW associations in cooperation with Messe Essen. The accompanying lecture program will focus on practice-oriented solutions. Every day, 20-minute lectures will be offered from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. The titles are: "Requirements, Market and Potentials of Residential Ventilation Systems with Heat Recovery", "Planning, Constructing and Operating: Ventilation According to DIN 1946-6:2019", "Fire Protection, Soundproofing and Open Fireplaces: Legal and Normative Challenges for Residential Ventilation?", "Product and Solution Spectra When Combining Centralized and Decentralized Systems" as well as "Installation Examples from Practice for New and Old Buildings". The forum will be intended for the SHK skilled trades, architects, planners, housing associations, property developers and public clients.

New: Drinking Water Meeting Place and Hydrogen Practice in Dialogue

In two additional specialist forums, experts will pass on their knowledge in workshops and lectures. In the "Drinking Water Meeting Place" forum in Hall 5, figawa will provide information about topical subjects relating to water and



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wastewater management. Also in cooperation with figawa and FV SHK NRW, SHK ESSEN will concentrate on the potential of hydrogen as an energy source in the Galeria with the special show entitled "Hydrogen Practice in Dialogue". Interactive workshops will make the interested people familiar with the exhibits. In addition, a specialist forum will offer the possibility of dealing with the future fields of action in the hydrogen sector. That will encompass the application of hydrogen in the SHK field, in the mobility field, in the fields of energy generation, supply and storage as well as devices and components, sets of rules, approvals and tests.

Fitters Days and Women in the SHK Skilled Trades

Professional know-how for fitters and for women in the SHK skilled trades will round off a fresh, exclusive and ambitious program with top-class event seminars within the framework of SHK ESSEN. No matter whether an office professional or an expert fitter: Here, professionals will learn from professionals.

The Fitters Days were in great demand in recent years. For the first time, this series of events will therefore take place on all the days of the fair in 2020. Experts from FV SHK NRW will provide information, amongst other subjects, about gas, wastewater and drinking water. To a decisive extent, the range on offer will be intended for employees of specialist SHK guild businesses from North Rhine-Westphalia.

Education Makes Perfect

With a two-day Education Congress on the first two days of the fair, FV SHK NRW will create a new approach within the framework of SHK ESSEN. Here, the pressing questions in training and continuing education will be addressed for the first time together with partners (amongst others, the Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training) and forward-looking solutions will be elaborated. Part 1 will take place from 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10 and will concentrate on continuing education. Part 2 from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11 will focus on training.

Pupils at mainstream schools and vocational colleges in North Rhine-Westphalia will get a warm welcome at SHK ESSEN: The Trainees Lounge in Hall 2 and an exciting rally should make it possible to experience the sustainability and the environmental awareness within the SHK skilled trades. FV SHK NRW is inviting all final-year classes to take a closer look at climate-friendly heating and ventilation

technology, barrier-free bathrooms and other future-oriented technologies for once.

Tours of the Fair Concentrating on Technology and Design

Insights into lucrative business fields and new contacts in passing: Those will be the success factors of the tours of the fair. Several times per day throughout SHK ESSEN, FV SHK NRW will offer tours for skilled tradesmen, operators, architects and engineers dealing with SHK technology. The design tours which will be staged by representatives of the Federation of German Interior Designers will be intended for interior designers and decision takers from the hotel industry. Here, the stations will include the innovations of the sanitary objects.

Special Offer for Visitors from BeNeLux and France

The fair will become international on the first day, the BeNeLux/France Day. SHK ESSEN will invite, quite particularly, the trade visitors from the neighboring countries to this. On this special day, the exhibiting companies will deploy personnel with the respective foreign language skills.

Further information at www.shkessen.de