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GF Piping Systems unifies learning programs and professional certification in all its' training centers

GF Piping Systems' training programs have empowered installers to advance their skills in the latest industry techniques and standards. Now, the flow solutions provider is introducing a unified training methodology and certification across its global network of training centers. In addition, the academy is launching new digital learning materials that are available in the languages spoken by the trainees.

Thermoplastic piping components offer many benefits compared to metal. However, their installation requires a specific set of skills that are sometimes overlooked due to the traditional focus on metal in training courses. To address this, GF Piping Systems is establishing global quality standards for all its training programs and certifications, aligned with the official certification bodies. Programs are provided at any of the more than 30 training centers available in its network. The goal is to keep professional installers updated with the latest jointing technologies and installation methods in the countries where it operates, thereby closing the last gap of quality needed for any installation.

Standardization is central to the new approach and affects both methodology and certification. Courses will now consist of theoretical and practical components that allow students to first acquire knowledge and then put it into practice using the latest machines and tools. This training can be done in a traditional classroom setting on-site, or at the customers' site. At the end of every training program, students receive a certificate that validates their skills in the market and aligns with systems such as Continuous Professional Development in the United States and Canada. This creates a standard compliant with ISO, IEC and other relevant standards.

GF Piping Systems' global network of training centers is now operating at full speed, with up to 34 training locations equipped not only with the latest machines and tools necessary to install GF Piping Systems' specialized polymer piping systems, but also with a team of experienced certified trainers to ensure knowledge has been properly transferred.

Dominik Scherer, Head of Global Sales Support and Academy at GF Piping Systems emphasizes the importance of know-how transfer for the company: "The market still needs to recognize that installers working with plastic pipes possess a differentiated set of skills. GF Piping Systems' training centers offer customers a high quality training program that can be tailored to meet specific needs and enhances the quality of pipe installations across industries. This is supported by modern technologies and a certification program that provides an immersive, sustainable, and safe learning environment around the world."

Learn more about our Global Academy:

<https://www.gfps.com/com/en/products-solutions/specialized-solutions/global-academy.html>

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GF Piping Systems

As the leading flow solutions provider for the safe and sustainable transport of fluids, GF Piping Systems creates connections for life. The division focuses on industry-leading leak-free piping solutions for numerous demanding end-market segments. Its strong focus on customer-centricity and innovation is reflected by its global sales, service, and manufacturing footprint and its award-winning portfolio, including fittings, valves, pipes, automation, fabrication, and jointing technologies.

GF Piping Systems has its own sales companies in 33 countries, which means it is always by its customers' side. Production sites in 40 locations in America, Europe, and Asia ensure sufficient availability and quick, reliable delivery. In 2023, GF Piping Systems generated sales of CHF 2'1 bn and employed 8'798 people. GF Piping Systems is a division of Georg Fischer AG, founded in 1802 and headquartered in Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

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Hands on training, in GF Piping Systems' training centers or at the customer's location.

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Making training accessible and flexible to the customer needs thanks to cutting-edge technologies.

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