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From Third Place to the Top of the Podium: FernFH is Top in the Ranking of Universities of Applied Sciences

Ferdinand Porsche FernFH takes first place in the 2019 ranking of Universities of Applied Sciences in the Austrian trade journal "Industriemagazin". After coming in at third place last year, FernFH proudly comes in top this year with a "score" of 1.7.

Celebration at Ferdinand Porsche Ring 3 in Wiener Neustadt: Ferdinand Porsche FernFH comes first in the "Industriemagazin" 2019 ranking of Universities of Applied Sciences. Two years ago the FernFH was happy enough to come ninth, last year it made it to the third place, this year the Distance-Learning University of Applied Science is delighted to receive gold. According to "Industriemagazin", this is a sign of the times: "Traditional auditoriums are moving aside to make way for the digital online campus." Today, Distance-Learning Universities of Applied Sciences would form the "next wave of the 4.0. revolution", states "Industriemagazin" in its analysis of the result on its website. Ferdinand Porsche FernFH's achievement of first place in this year's ranking clearly shows that technological change does not stop at the tertiary education sector either, it goes further. "This result confirms to us that we are working well and shows that we are absolutely on the right track", says Axel Jungwirth, CEO of Ferdinand Porsche FernFH. "We're leading the way with our distance learning programmes and state-of-the-art e-learning methods."

Currently, 812 women and men study in five bachelor and master degree programmes at FernFH: "Aging Services Management" (Bachelor), "Business Informatics" (Bachelor, Master), "Business Administration and Psychology" (Bachelor, Master). Furthermore, FernFH offers courses for Executive Education: "NPO Management" and "Evaluation in the Health, Social and Education Sector".

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In autumn 2019, the MBA programme "International Corporate Social Responsibility Management" will expand the FernFH education repertoire. "We are currently working on additional innovative study and further training opportunities. 'The Generation Management' and 'Health Services Technologies' certificate courses will start in the 2020 spring semester", says CEO Axel Jungwirth.

The Top Three Candidates in the 2019 Ranking of Universities of Applied Sciences:

1st Place: Ferdinand Porsche FernFH	Score: 1.70
2nd Place: MCI Management Center Innsbruck	Score: 1.74
3rd Place: FH Oberösterreich	Score: 1.82

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How does the ranking of the Universities of Applied Sciences work?

On behalf of "Industriemagazin", the opinion research institute IMAD interviewed 150 selected executives about their experiences with degree programmes offered by Austrian Universities of Applied Sciences.

The interviewees are personnel managers or CEOs of the one hundred largest companies in the respective federal state, sampling was carried out at random.

About Ferdinand Porsche FernFH

Ferdinand Porsche FernFH is Austria's first distance-learning University of Applied Sciences. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of FernFH Management & Service GmbH and was founded in 2006. FernFH is a pioneer when it comes to distance learning in Austria thanks to the innovative learning and teaching methods in the field of distance learning. All five publicly funded distance learning programmes are accredited by AQ Austria, the Austrian Agency for Quality Assurance and Accreditation. In 2016, FernFH was certified according to international standards by the evaluation agency evalag Baden-Württemberg. Ferdinand Porsche FernFH collects the tuition fees of 363.36 Euro per semester plus the contribution for the Austrian Union of Students. Furthermore, FernFH offers certificate programmes for executive education with "NPO Management" and "Evaluation in the Health, Social and Education Sector". The MBA programme "International Corporate Social Responsibility Management" is a new addition to the executive education portfolio. Preparations for further degree programmes and executive education programmes are currently underway. More Information on www.fernfh.ac.at/en.

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