

Press release

Infineon Austria brings a smile to children's faces

Villach, 13 December 2018 – Infineon employees brought a Christmas surprise for 250 children and teenagers of the "Haus Herrnhilf", "Amica Jugendbetreuung" and "Josefinum-Viktring" child welfare centers with the company's "Christmas Wish Tree" campaign.

A huge Christmas tree decorated with 246 cards bearing the wishes of children was put up at Infineon in Villach as Advent started. The Infineon employees were pleased by the chance to make all the children's wishes come true and it was only hours before all the wishes were taken down from the tree. CEO Sabine Herlitschka, Infineon employees and Santa himself personally presented the gifts to the children's organizations at a Christmas party on 11 December. It had also been possible to invite some of the children to Villach too and needless to say they were delighted by this magical Christmas event. Sabine Herlitschka, CEO of Infineon Austria, also saw a wish come true: "We are a company that embraces sustainable and social values. We are very happy that the première of this campaign met with such a heartfelt response and that we were able to make children happy. I would like to thank all employees for their support."

The "Christmas Wish Tree" of Infineon Austria was organized together with three welfare institutions. "Haus Herrnhilf" of Diakonie de La Tour in Treffen takes care of 55 children and teenagers with difficult family backgrounds who live at the center together. "Amica Jugendbetreuung" offers 36 children and teenagers socio-educational and therapy support in three shared flats in Klagenfurt and Moosburg; the children are given orientation and support in all situations of life. Eight adolescents live in assisted living schemes and receive assistance on their way towards becoming independent and living their own lives. The "Institut für Familienentwicklung" is a mobile family assistance service, provides intensive family care and accompanies children on visits of family members whom they would not be able or allowed to see without assistance; it currently supports around 70 families in Carinthia. "Josefinum-Viktring" provides a safe place for some 100 children and teenagers for school education, development assistance and mental stabilization to provide them with the tools needed for successful, unassisted living.

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