

Press release

Infineon Education Fund to continue in 2021: 60,000 euros for the 'Lerncafés' of Caritas Carinthia

Villach, 15 December 2020 - Infineon Technologies Austria AG continues to rely on the cooperation with Caritas Carinthia. The *Infineon Education Fund*, which was established in January 2020, will be continued and increased in the new year. With 60,000 euros, the care of 30 children in the Infineon Lerncafé in Brauhausgasse in Villach will continue to be ensured in the coming year and the establishment of a new Lerncafé in Spittal an der Drau will be supported.

Sabine Herlitschka, CEO Infineon Austria: "The Corona pandemic has created new challenges and hurdles, especially for young people in their education and school development. This makes it all the more important to provide supplementary care services for children and young people whose families are unable to provide additional support. It is therefore important to us to continue to support Caritas Carinthia and its Lerncafés, and this is precisely where our Education Fund comes in."

Review of cooperation year 2020: Education for around 80 children made possible

The Infineon Education Fund 2020 has supported the following activities with 50,000 euros: The Lerncafé Infineon, a new learning group for 30 children, of Caritas Carinthia in Villach was opened. In addition, individual tutoring, attendance at kindergartens and after-school care centers and participation in school events was financially supported for a total of 48 children.

Caritas Director Mag. Ernst Sandriesser thanks Infineon Austria for the confidence and is pleased about the continuing support of the Infineon Education Fund: "We cannot leave children and young people alone on their educational path. Now more than ever they need intensive pedagogical support and people who have time for them. A holistic education is the best prevention against poverty and is crucial for further social and professional development. Thanks to the Infineon Education Fund, we can successfully accompany children and young people and promote their talents."

Continued support during homeschooling

In the Lerncafés of Caritas Carinthia, pupils between six and 16 years of age are supported free of charge with their homework and can learn for upcoming school work. The 24 volunteer assistants in the Infineon Lerncafé currently include seven Infineon employees who volunteer in their free time. Despite the restrictions on school operations due to the Corona pandemic, the support in the Lerncafé could also be continued virtually.

Oliver Heinrich, CFO Infineon Austria: "Especially in challenging times, it is even more important for us as a regional leading company to strengthen our sense of social responsibility and promote social cohesion. Special thanks go to the volunteer tutors, whose extraordinary commitment supports the students with their homework - whether on site in the Lerncafé or digitally from home."

Successful care concept will be further expanded: In addition to Infineon, partners are also being sought for Spittal an der Drau

With the Caritas Lerncafés, a total of 56 facilities throughout Austria, over 2100 children and young people were supported in their school education in 2020. The success of this support offer is also shown by the figures in Carinthia: 99 percent of the 180 pupils in the six Lerncafés in Villach (2), Klagenfurt (2), Wolfsberg and St. Gertraud/Lavanttal have completed the 2019/20 school year positively. Currently, a Lerncafé in Spittal an der Drau is being planned, which will also be supported by the Infineon Education Fund. Further cooperation partners are still being sought for this.

About Infineon Austria

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