

PRESS RELEASE

JKU Top Facts programme for students with Schulmeister in Linz

JKU Top Facts Programme Concludes: Schulmeister Supports the Next Generation of Finance Talent

Linz, June 2026 – The second edition of the **JKU TOP FACTS** talent development programme at Johannes Kepler University Linz (JKU) recently concluded with a ceremonial certificate presentation. As a long-standing programme partner, **Schulmeister Management Consulting** once again supported participating students with personalised career coaching and potential assessments, helping them prepare for a successful transition from university to professional life.

Bridging academic excellence and professional practice

JKU TOP FACTS ("JKU Top Finance and Accounting Students") is a talent development programme for outstanding Bachelor's and Master's students specialising in **Finance, Accounting and Controlling**.

Throughout one academic year, participants gain valuable practical experience through workshops with leading companies from the fields of Finance, Banking, Tax Advisory, Auditing, Management Consulting and Industry. The programme also includes software training, networking opportunities and individual career coaching.

Personalised career coaching for the next career step

As part of the programme, **Ulrike Steiner** and **Birgit Eiselsberg**, Managing Directors of Schulmeister's Linz office, conducted individual career coaching sessions and potential assessments with each participant.

The coaching focused on identifying personal strengths, clarifying career aspirations and exploring suitable career paths in Finance and Accounting. The goal was to provide students with greater confidence and direction as they prepare to enter the job market.

"I was truly impressed by the ambition, energy and commitment of this year's participants. What stood out most was their ability to reflect on their own strengths, their curiosity and the clear vision many already have for their professional future. It is inspiring to see a generation that is eager to take responsibility, continue learning and actively shape its career."

Ulrike Steiner, Managing Director, Schulmeister Linz

Participants also highlighted the individual coaching, personalised feedback and practical career guidance as some of the programme's most valuable components.

Strengthening the connection between universities and industry

Talent development programmes such as JKU TOP FACTS play an important role in connecting academic education with real-world business practice. Students benefit from direct interaction with potential employers, practical insights into the Finance industry and valuable networking opportunities that often extend well beyond their studies.

For companies, the programme provides an opportunity to engage with highly motivated young professionals at an early stage and support the development of future Finance specialists.

As a specialised recruitment consultancy, Schulmeister is proud to contribute to the development of Austria's next generation of Finance professionals and to support talented students as they take their first career steps.

About JKU TOP FACTS

JKU TOP FACTS ("JKU Top Finance and Accounting Students") is the talent development programme of Johannes Kepler University Linz for high-performing students specialising in Finance and Accounting.

The programme spans one academic year and combines workshops with leading companies, software training, networking opportunities and personalised career coaching. It is organised by the JKU institutes in the field of Finance & Accounting together with the JKU Business School under the academic leadership of **Prof. Martin Hiebl**.

About Schulmeister in Linz

The Linz office supports companies and professionals primarily throughout **Upper Austria**. As a specialised recruitment consultancy, the team led by Schulmeister partners **Ulrike Steiner und Birgit Eiselsberg** focuses on the placement of specialists and executives in **Finance, Accounting, Controlling, Tax Advisory, Technology & IT, Real Estate, HR, Engineering and Interim Management**. In addition to recruitment and executive search, the Linz office also provides personalised career coaching and supports long-standing partnerships with universities and higher education institutions.

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About the Schulmeister Group

Schulmeister Management Consulting is one of Austria's leading specialised recruitment and headhunting consultancies, focusing on the placement of specialists and executives in **Finance, Real Estate, Technology & IT, and Engineering**.

With a network built over more than **25 years** and a database of over **200,000 qualified specialist and executive profiles**, the company successfully fills more than **500 positions every year**. Schulmeister has received multiple awards as one of Austria's leading

recruitment consultancies and executive search firms and also provides services in Executive Search, Interim Management and Temporary Staffing.

With offices in **Vienna, Linz, Graz, Salzburg and Prague**, Schulmeister supports companies and professionals throughout Austria, Germany and the CEE region.

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Ulrike Steiner, Partner at Schulmeister, presenting the JKU TOP FACTS certificates to Finance & Accounting students (2026). Photo credit: JKU Institute of Management Accounting and Control.