

Press release

LeadershipNext Academy launches new curriculum

Top managers promote female talents at LeadershipNext Academy

Düsseldorf, August 30, 2021 - Supporting talented women on their way to leadership positions at an early stage is the goal of the LeadershipNext Academy. The interactive learning program is taught by experienced top managers and scientists to women on their career path.

The Academy's three-month course program is divided into classroom and face-to-face events in combination with a digital learning platform. In the different modules, experienced lecturers from business and academia teach strategic management requirements, leadership approaches and relevant soft skills. The lecturers include top managers like Hiltrud Werner (Board Member, Volkswagen AG), Isabel Tufet (CEO, Santander Consumer Operations), Marie-Eve Schröder (Director of Sales DACH, Facebook), Dr. Natalie Daghles (M&A Partner, Noerr).

The program will start on August 31, 2021. The aim is, that more than 20 Fellows from different organizations (e.g. Audi, Beiersdorf, CMS, Coca-Cola, Deka, DKV, E.ON, Kantenwein, Noerr, Santander) will expand each other's business networks in addition to sharing learning experiences.

The LeadershipNext Academy successfully started in 2021 with the Spring Class. Sabine Hansen, Chair of the Initiative Women into Leadership (IWIL), builds on the experience of the IWIL program launched in 2017. As a complement to the IWIL Cross-Mentoring Program, which addresses top-level female managers, the LeadershipNext Academy, as IWIL's cooperation partner, offers a broad format for women on their way to the top level.

"With the Academy, we teach practical leadership skills that female talents need for modern leadership. We specifically prepare women for the next step in their careers and encourage them to build a supportive network within and outside their organizations", says Managing Director Sabine Hansen, summarizing the idea behind the LeadershipNext Academy.

About the LeadershipNext Academy (LNA)

The LeadershipNext Academy was founded in 2021 and consists of a team of experienced CEOs, board members and top managers from the fields of science, culture, society, medicine and business with the aim of enabling the sustainable advancement of women in leadership positions and accompanying them on this path.

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