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Chris Humphries CBE
Chairman, WorldSkills London 2011



Tonight is a celebration. And it's all about our skills champions! As the WorldSkills London 2011 Competition comes to an end, the Closing Ceremony promises to be an exciting finale to the many achievements throughout the week and a fitting tribute to the world's most talented young people who have taken part and to their friends, families and supporters. Many of you have been planning, waiting and working towards this moment for a long time. Tonight is a culmination of that journey, by recognising your successes and the many achievements you have made. And no matter what the final outcome is, you are all deserving Champions and I know that you will reap the benefits of taking part long after the Competition has come to an end.

Sitting here this evening, with the tension and excitement mounting and Competitors, families, supporters and friends waiting anxiously to hear who will be judged the best in the world at their chosen skill, it is a fitting time to reflect on what has been a truly spectacular week. WorldSkills London 2011 set out to deliver on all of the promises made in its original bid and to make this the greatest skills Competition, careers and jobs event on the planet. We sincerely hope that we have in some way delivered on this ambition. But none of this would have been possible and we could not have delivered the Competition without all of you here tonight. So, on behalf of everyone at WorldSkills, I thank you all for making this possible and wish you all continued success!

See you in Leipzig in 2013!



John Hayes
Minister for Further Education,
Skills and Lifelong Learning



As WorldSkills London 2011 draws to a spectacular close, tonight is a celebration of some of the most talented young people from around the world.

All of you are winners – you have competed, and perhaps even succeeded in becoming the best in the world at your chosen skill. You take home the title of skills Champion.

As importantly you take with you a life-changing experience. For all of you here tonight, WorldSkills London 2011 will act as a catalyst to go even further and higher in your future careers. In doing this, you will be exemplary role models.

I congratulate everyone involved in WorldSkills and wish you all every future success.



Tjerk Dusseldorp
President, WorldSkills International

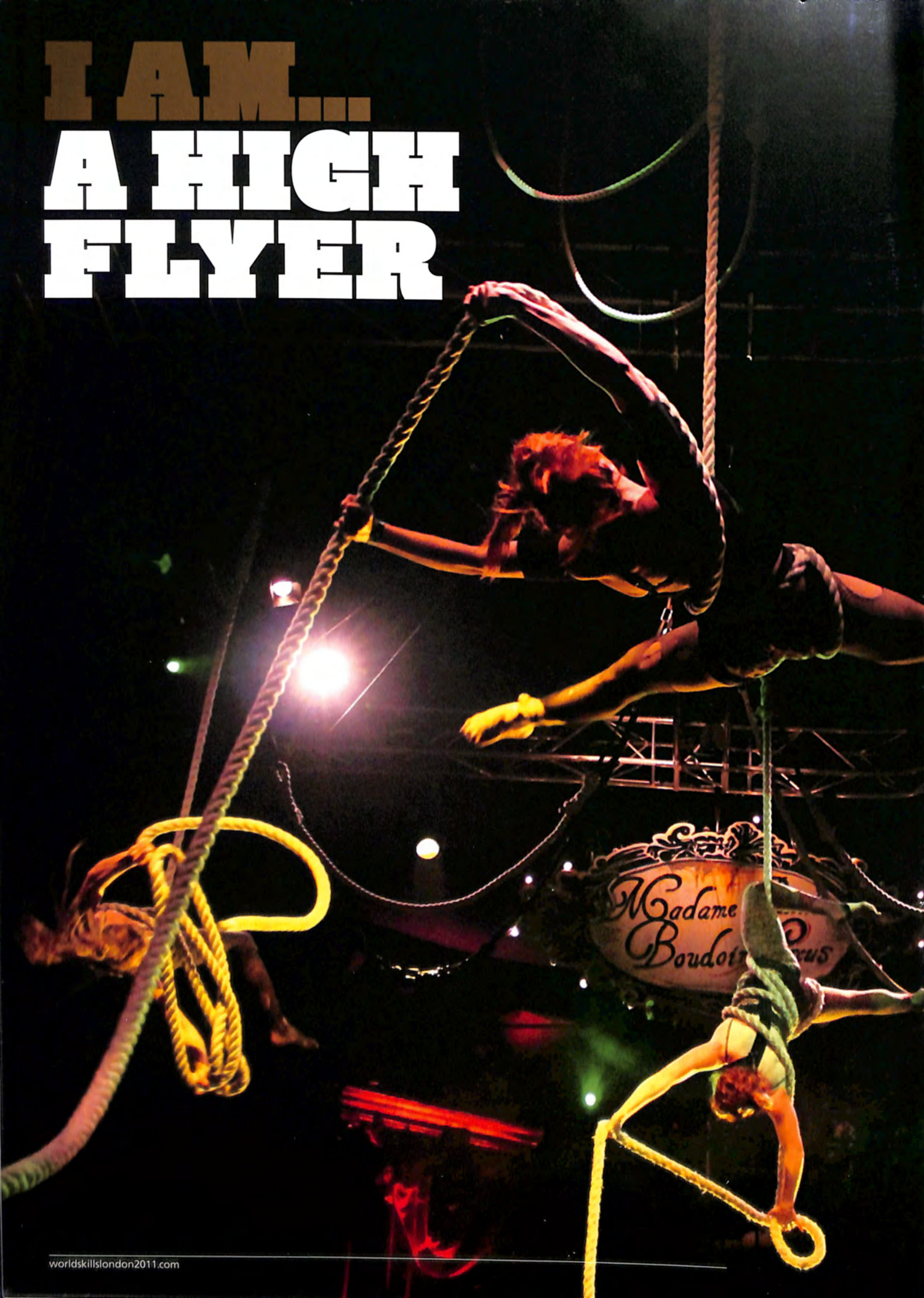


I would like to personally congratulate all the Competitors, you are all now WorldSkills Champions regardless of your medal standings. This is not the end of your journey, but the beginning.

To the Experts, Delegates, trainers, volunteers, supporters and families that have all made this possible, thank you, you have made this dream a reality for the Champions and without you WorldSkills wouldn't run.

We look forward to welcoming everyone to WorldSkills Leipzig 2013.

I AM... A HIGH FLYER



Ceremony contributors

Beardyman

Beardyman has an astounding talent for producing the sounds and rhythms of entire musical tracks using only his mouth.

The award-winning beatboxing champion Beardyman combines humour with his musical performances. Live, he often appears on stage in the guise of a 'serious' speaker (an environmental expert, a self-help guru) who starts with a speech which looks set to bore the audience, before launching into a set of hip-hop, funk and soul-inspired vocal gymnastics.

Despite writing a symphony at the age of ten, Beardyman became obsessed with music technology and dance music. He has appeared live with Groove Armada, Chaz and Dave, Blondie, Bill Bailey, and the Beastie Boys. In addition to straight forward beatboxing, Beardyman also uses a selection of digital effects and samplers to create multi-layered tracks live.

Beardyman's talent has been seen and heard on outlets as diverse as BBC 1's When Will I Be Famous, MTV, Lily Allen and Friends, Radio 1, and Radio 3, whilst a clutch of US festival appearances now beckon. He has supplied sounds and speech for TV ads for PlayStation and Sky TV, and also wrote and presented the Radio 4 programme Beardyman and the Mimics, in which he explored the natural world's inclination to copy the sounds around it.

An internet phenomenon, Beardyman has also inspired a small group called Barbists, who consider his words to be religious teachings. Presumably, they'll purchase his forthcoming debut album.



A national competition was launched earlier in the year in association with Bentley and the Design Council to find two winning designs which captured the spirit of the Competition.

We are proud to announce the winners were Arash Manshadi, age 16 and Shivani Kava, age 13. Our two young designers are here tonight to see their medals being presented. Here's what they said about their designs and what inspired them...

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Arash and Shivani visiting the Bentley factory and the medals in production

I AM... A SHINING EXAMPLE

Arash Manshadi

Age 16

Gold, Silver and Bronze medal

I think my medal design is eye catching and most importantly a suitable award for someone who has great skill. I decided to use images which symbolise three main factors of WorldSkills London 2011.

1. The Globe, because this is an international event it is important to show that the world is involved.
2. London, as the host city it is vital that London is mentioned on the medal, which is why I chose to put the London skyline on the medal.
3. Skills, as the theme of the Competition is skills I decided to use a symbol which represents this; hands. Every skill requires real craftsmanship and to use his or her hands therefore I think it is very important to show the hands of the skillful people. The hands on the medal are moulding the world into shape. This reflects their roles very well.



Shivani Kava

Age 13

Best of Nations medal

My design has got the map of the world on it to show that it is skills from all over the world coming to London to compete. I've put the London skyline because it shows the famous landmarks in London signifying London as the host city. The world also shows a global village.



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HM1. Stonemasonry

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39. IT Network Systems Administration

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29. Ladies/Men's Hairdressing

30. Beauty Therapy

32. Confectioner/Pastry Cook

34. Cooking

35. Restaurant Service

Arts, Media & Publishing

11. Offset Printing

17. Web Design

27. Jewellery

31. Fashion Technology

40. Computer & Water Technology

41. Audiovisual Technology

Best of Nations

The Albert Vidal Award

Presentations

The Sustainability Award

The Sustainability award recognises efforts to ensure a viable and successful future for the organisation and its competitions. All Experts are tasked with reviewing and improving their own skill category. This entails recognising future growth, lasting benefits and return on investment from running competitions while ensuring they are of the highest quality and professionally conducted. Based on agreed criteria before the Competition starts, all skills are judged to determine which has made the biggest difference towards 'sustainability' since the WorldSkills Competition in 2009.

Health, Public Services & Care

41. Caring

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Competitors: Jéssica Amaral, Brazil / Renata Machado, Brazil / Aura Marin, Colombia / Cristian Serna, Colombia / Noora Jänkälä, Finland / Mari Kurula, Finland / Mélanie Gouezel, France / Jonathan Valois, France / Patrick Bozner, South Tyrol, Italy / Martina Goller, South Tyrol, Italy / Amanda Kruse, Netherlands / Wessel van de Veerdonk, Netherlands / Solbjørg Byberg, Norway / Edel Susanne Hetland, Norway / Rachel Chloe Chua, Singapore / Kaiyun Jaslyn Li, Singapore / Nuria Fernández, Spain / Tamara Hernández, Spain / Mikael Eriksson, Sweden / Mattias Nilsson, Sweden / Arjeta Behluli, Switzerland / Sarah Nef, Switzerland / Merve Gokdem, Turkey / Serife Topuz, Turkey / Asma Almesmari, United Arab Emirates / Dalal Alnuaimi, United Arab Emirates / Emma Fitzpatrick, United Kingdom / Frances McMenemy, United Kingdom

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Agriculture & Horticulture

28. Floristry

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Competitors: Tamika Mackrell, Australia / Lisa Robausch, Austria / Laura Brumenil, Belgium / Jenniina Tiikkainen, Finland / Brice Justice, France / Diána Takács, Hungary / Astrid Jasinth Rasmini, Indonesia / Misaki Kubota, Japan / Hwan Yoo, Korea / Ian Ian Fan, Macao, China / Miguel

Santos, Mexico / Aroha Hebbard, New Zealand / Trine Olafsrud, Norway / Emma Hansson, Sweden / Rahel Brunner, Switzerland / Wen-Min Ku, Chinese Taipei / Pakawat Sangkun, Thailand / Victoria Richards, United Kingdom

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Agriculture & Horticulture

37. Landscape Gardening

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Competitors: Richard May, Australia / Thomas Ramsey, Australia / Bernhard Gierlinger, Austria / Martin Höfler, Austria / Dominic Fortin, Canada / Simon Laflamme, Canada / Allar Laurend, Estonia / Rajar Rahkema, Estonia / Laura Jantunen, Finland / Reetta Höyhty, Finland / Benoît Campas, France / Dylan Chauvat, France / Christoph Baeuerle, Germany / Jonas Rombach, Germany / Matthias Erschbaumer, South Tyrol, Italy / Matthias Spechtenhauser, South Tyrol, Italy / Yoshihiro Fujisaki, Japan / Naoki Ino, Japan / Bastiaan Germeraad, Netherlands / Sjors Meuleman, Netherlands / Carl-Henrik Gjelstad, Norway / Tor-Anders Kristiansen, Norway / Daniel Cano, Spain / Alberto Lozano, Spain / Stefan Allansson, Sweden / Mikael Andersson, Sweden / Christof Schweizer, Switzerland / Andreas Stadlin, Switzerland / Hui-Fang Lee, Chinese Taipei / Tzu-Ping Lo, Chinese Taipei / Simon Abbott, United Kingdom / James Cuffey, United Kingdom

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Engineering & Manufacturing Technologies

01. Polymechanics/Automation

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Competitors: Patrik Fröwis, Austria / Rodrigo Panifer, Brazil / Miika Laari, Finland / Nils Michalik, Germany / Abdul Mubash Kallan, India / Katsuhiro Iwai, Japan / Yea Chan Yu, Korea / Ilir Ajgeraj, Principality of Liechtenstein / Tim van den Heuvel, Netherlands / Mathew Pascoe, New Zealand / João Cruz, Portugal / Sergio Medina, Spain / Sandro Burkart, Switzerland / Shu-Wei Chang, Chinese Taipei

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Note: At the bottom of each skill competition there is a blank section for you to fill in the winners.

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03. Manufacturing Team Challenge
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Competitors: Mathew Hall, Australia / Ben Hooper, Australia / Michael Theobald, Australia / Kasper Hahtonen, Finland / Oiva Partanen, Finland / Juha Peteri, Finland / Florent Devriese, France / Jean-Baptiste Henry, France / Audrey Weber, France / Syogo Hayakawa, Japan / Tomofumi Jitousono, Japan / Motoki Ootake, Japan / Hwan Soo Jeong, Korea / Dong Gyun Kang, Korea / Soo Woong Kim, Korea / Bart Biemans, Netherlands / Kevin Peters, Netherlands / Dennis van Werkhoven, Netherlands / Jih-Sheng Cheng, Chinese Taipei / Chung-Wen Ku, Chinese Taipei / Yu-Cheng Lin, Chinese Taipei / Samuel Andrews, United Kingdom / Kai Burkitt, United Kingdom / Rachael Carr, United Kingdom
Winners
Gold
Silver
Bronze
Engineering & Manufacturing Technologies
04. Mechatronics
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Competitors: Manfred Edlinger, Austria / Manuel Reigner, Austria / Christian Alessi, Brazil / Maicon Pasin, Brazil / Thierry Lecours, Canada / Gabriel Thérien, Canada / Jaydis Guerra, Colombia / Camilo Guerrero, Colombia / Rait Kuhi, Estonia / Kristen Lalin, Estonia / Joonas Nuolijoki, Finland / Tomi Summanen, Finland / Jérémy Bileri, France / Billy Pouget, France / Tobias Dietrich, Germany / Christian Schweizer, Germany / László Losonczy, Hungary / István Ullrich, Hungary / Jibi Joseph, India / Nikhil Raj K V, India / Agam Pinandita, Indonesia / Jefri Satria, Indonesia / Mojtaba Esfandiari, Iran / Mohammad Ali Hosseini Khiabani, Iran / Yuya Kawabe, Japan / Hidenori Mishina, Japan / Geun Yong No, Korea / Jung Mo Yang, Korea / Chi Wai Leong, Macao, China / Chin Meng Tou, Macao, China / Marzuki Mohamad, Malaysia / Abdul Rahim Muda, Malaysia / Moises Becerra, Mexico / Hugo Sanchez, Mexico / Abderrahman Raji, Morocco / Mohammed Sahane, Morocco / Danny de Vries, Netherlands / Tom Wesstein, Netherlands / Axel Gunnarson, Norway / Milan Subotic, Norway / João Costa, Portugal / Hugo Gonçalves, Portugal / Bin Yang Daniel Chan, Singapore / Ray Hwee Lo, Singapore / Tulani Mzayidume, South Africa / Khumbulani Sigenu, South Africa / Guillermo Arto, Spain / Manuel Fauro, Spain / Viktor Öhlén, Sweden / Anders Wadman, Sweden / Adrian Kamer, Switzerland / Reto Meier, Switzerland / Wei-Jie Tseng, Chinese Taipei / Wei-Zhe Zhang, Chinese Taipei / Apichit Srichairattana,

Thailand / Aphilak Thongjib, Thailand / Fevzi Cetin, Turkey / Sait Taha Tanyildiz, Turkey / Hashim Habib, United Arab Emirates / Saud Al Maazmi, United Arab Emirates / Christopher Downey, United Kingdom / Mark Maginty, United Kingdom / Dam Chi Kien, Vietnam / Nguyen Duc Vinh, Vietnam

Winners
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Silver
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Engineering & Manufacturing Technologies
05. Mechanical Engineering Design – CAD
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Competitors: Gerald Gruber, Austria / Guilherme Souza, Brazil / Michael Christensen, Canada / Junyang Wei, China / Duvan Villaquiran, Colombia / Jani Sihvola, Finland / Victor N'Guyen Vandanh, France / Achmad Nur Silmi, Indonesia / Seiya Kobayashi, Japan / Jung Yung Shin, Korea / Tom van de Valk, Netherlands / Ruben Carvalho, Portugal / Ze Sheng Jonathan Tan, Singapore / Gaizka Domínguez, Spain / Pascal Brunner, Switzerland / Po-Yen Hsieh, Chinese Taipei / Thameur Bettaieb, Tunisia / Adel Al Marzooqi, United Arab Emirates / Ryan Sheridan, United Kingdom / Hoang Van Tung, Vietnam

Winners
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06. CNC Turning
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Winners
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07. CNC Milling
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08. Mould Making
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Winners
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10. Welding
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13. Autobody Repair
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Winners
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14. Aircraft Maintenance

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16. Electronics

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Winners

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19. Industrial Control

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Winners

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23. Mobile Robotics

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33. Automobile Technology

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42. Construction Metal Work

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Suzuki, Japan / Seung Hwan Yun, Korea / Thomas Zurfluh, Switzerland / Ta-Shuo Wang, Chinese Taipei

Winners

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Silver

Bronze

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43. Sheet Metal Technology

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Competitors: Russell Routledge, Australia / Marc-André Lambert, Canada / Tom Thery, France / Tatsuya Matsui, Japan / Yong Jae Jeon, Korea / Sheng-Pin Lo, Chinese Taipei / William Taylor, New Zealand

Winners

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Silver

Bronze

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D2. Creative Modelling

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Winners

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Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

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20. Bricklaying

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Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Construction, Planning & the Built Environment

21. Plastering and Dry Wall Systems

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Winners

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Construction, Planning & the Built Environment

22. Painting and Decoration

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Competitors: Gustavo Ascitutto, Australia / Renate Lässer, Austria / Nikola Diz Torres, Belgium / Jesper Guld Nielsen, Denmark / Aku Korhonen, Finland / Xavier Vincent, France / A Duong Trinh, Hong Kong, China / Balázs Zsolt Szabó, Hungary / Dominik Gruber, South Tyrol, Italy / Hyun Seung Lee, Korea / Abdullah Al Mahrouqi, Oman / Andreas Gärdin Hyttsten, Sweden / Marina Feller, Switzerland / Chiang Wu, Chinese Taipei / Rachel Terras, United Kingdom

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Construction, Planning & the Built Environment

24. Cabinetmaking

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Competitors: Ben Cooper, Australia / Roman Dienbauer, Austria / Rafael Trombini, Brazil / Jonathan Sinke, Canada / Max Malcho Olsen, Denmark / Silver Kämärä, Estonia / Veijo Kauppila, Finland / Paul Janvier, France / Richard M. Schauer, Germany / András Botos, Hungary / Faris Wahyudi, Indonesia / Seiya Takahashi, Japan / Dong Hwan Choi, Korea / Jakob Egger, South Tyrol, Italy / Haralds Kresse, Latvia / Benjamin Vetsch, Principality of Liechtenstein / Libau Anak Munan, Malaysia / Robert Hamilton, New Zealand / José Baró, Spain / David Löwing, Sweden / Peter Müller, Switzerland / Kai-Chun Chuang, Chinese Taipei / Christopher Wallis, United Kingdom / Brett Ottinger, United States of America

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze



Construction, Planning & the Built Environment

25. Joinery

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Competitors: Alexander Haas, Austria / Jérôme Kringels, Belgium / Alex Vocal, Canada / Mads Groth, Denmark / Toni Lehtimäki, Finland / Loïc Royer, France / Erik Brandenburg, Germany / Zoltán Ónodi, Hungary / Muhammad Bukhori, Indonesia / Kenta Yoshiie, Japan / Seung Hyeon Wang, Korea / Christopher Evans, New Zealand / Desidério Correia, Portugal / Richard Valdés, Spain / Peter Enzler, Switzerland / Ming-Hsueh Wu, Chinese Taipei / Apiwat Vonglakhon, Thailand / Adam Bushnell, United Kingdom

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Construction, Planning & the Built Environment

26. Carpentry

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Competitors: Andreas Schaffer, Austria / Dany Montembeault, Canada / Mikkel Faigh Ratz, Denmark / Joonas Vuokila, Finland / Flavian Parent, France / Philipp Stich, Germany / Dávid Nagy, Hungary / Valentin Domanegg, South Tyrol, Italy / Shyota Mori, Japan / Sang Hyen Kim, Korea / Ralph Mooijman, Netherlands / Andrew Watson, New Zealand / Sergio Vergara, Spain / Jonathan Kissling, Switzerland / Joe Price, United Kingdom

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze



38. Refrigeration and Air Conditioning

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Competitors: Liam Janetzki, Australia / Willian Sousa, Brazil / Sean Donnan, Canada / Julien Lafon, France / Georg Lambardt, Germany / Lok Him Mak, Hong Kong, China / Vinnie Sullivan, Ireland / Eiichi Fushimi, Japan / Min Ki Chang, Korea / Ng Vui Chien, Malaysia / Pedro Huerta, Mexico / Mohammed El Baouchi, Morocco / Geert Dorresteyn, Netherlands / Joachim Strømme, Norway / Younis Al Aghbari, Oman / Paulo Vicente, Portugal / De Wet Britz, South Africa / Mario Lahoz, Spain / Etienne Cristini, Switzerland / Po-Han Lee, Chinese Taipei / Jaroon Thipyod, Thailand / Mohamed Sebri, Tunisia / Stuart Millar, United Kingdom / John Huhn, United States of America / Nguyen Thanh Dung, Vietnam

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

HM1. Stonemasonry

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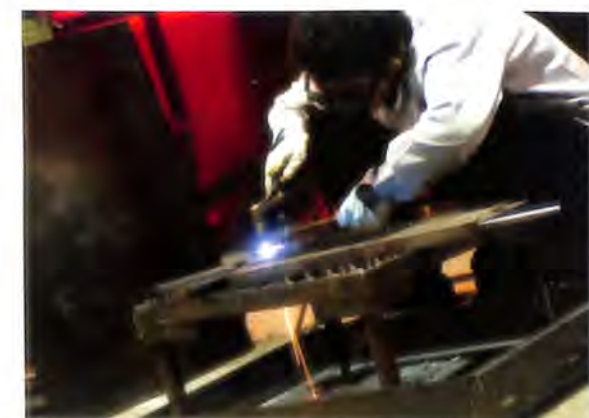
Competitors: Melanie Seidl, Austria / Kimmo Raatikainen, Finland / Michaël Esnault, France / Min Chul Lee, Korea / Fábio Reis, Portugal / Manuel Caduff, Switzerland / Christopher Berridge, United Kingdom

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

**2. Information Network Cabling**

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Competitors: Othon Barreto, Brazil / Kam Wing Lai, Hong Kong, China / Haruki Morino, Japan / Jin Hyuk Lee, Korea / Ka Man Ao, Macao, China / Fredrik Størdal Gundersen, Norway / Jun Wei William Chan, Singapore / Simon Hyttsten, Sweden / Thawat Kumpan, Thailand / Saleh Aldhanhani, United Arab Emirates / Nguyen Xuan Loc, Vietnam

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

9. IT Software Solutions for Business

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Competitors: Andrew Seeley, Australia / Paolo Bueno, Brazil / Steven Heidel, Canada / Juha Kiiski, Finland / Laëtita Huaulme, France / Ka Wai Wong, Hong Kong, China / Priyanka Nag, India / Septi Setiawati, Indonesia / Saman Soltani, Iran / Reina Sakakibara, Japan / Yun Cheol Ha, Korea / I Kei Lei, Macao, China / Qais Al Toubi, Oman / Riyadh Altayib, Saudi Arabia / Wai Kuan Chow, Singapore / Héctor Alcalde, Spain / Sandra Johanna Schmid, Switzerland / Wen-Hui Chang, Chinese Taipei / Wannarat Kowitanaratkornkul, Thailand / Abdul Rahman Al Marzooqi, United Arab Emirates / Nguyen Trung Hieu, Vietnam

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

39. IT Network Systems Administration

Presenting sponsor



Competitors: Lukas Steinhauser, Austria / Thomas Schifano, Belgium / Avner Santos, Brazil / Guillaume Parent, Canada / Oscar Castillo, Colombia / Riin Ots, Estonia / Markus Lintuala, Finland / Albéric Alexandre, France / Julian Jost, Germany / Chun Hong Tang, Hong Kong, China / Gábor Szabó, Hungary / Pouya Pirhosseinloo, Iran / Atsuya Kamioka, Japan / Hyang Rae Park, Korea / Mathias Vetsch, Principality of Liechtenstein / Ka Fai Wong, Macao, China / Shum E Han, Malaysia / Mohammed Al Balushi, Oman / Elvio Velazquez, Paraguay / Rafael Roque, Portugal / Jared Sim, Singapore / Tamara Besiti, Spain / Peter Sönnnerfors, Sweden / Tobias Meier, Switzerland / Cheng-En Lee, Chinese Taipei / Ahmed Al Saadi, United Arab Emirates / Matthew Mack, United Kingdom / Matthew Vicari, United States of America

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

29. Ladies'/Men's Hairdressing

Presenting sponsor



Competitors: Alexis Scott, Australia / Daniela Mello, Brazil / Kaylyn Mack, Canada / Qingshan Zhu, China / Birgitte Schjødt Nielsen, Denmark / Jekaterina Sedunova, Estonia / Kerttu Johansson, Finland / Caroline Schmitt, France / Máté Hintenberger, Hungary / Johanna Stefnisdottir, Iceland / Kumar Abhishek S, India / Jati Nur Rochma, Indonesia / Sashamoie Battick, Jamaica / Kunpei Yoshida, Japan / Won Jeong Lee, Korea / Chi Chong Cheang, Macao, China / Laura Simpson, New Zealand / Thao Phuong Nguyen, Norway / Sing Guan Noel Ng, Singapore / Raquel Martinez, Spain / Evelina Fransson, Sweden / Juei-Mao Tang, Chinese Taipei / Wiwat Pansawat, Thailand / Elizabeth Hale, United Kingdom / Laina Call, United States of America

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

30. Beauty Therapy

Presenting sponsor



Competitors: Alex Odgers, Australia / Jenica Bubar, Canada / Heidi Huttunen, Finland / Marine Sarrazin, France / Choi Ting Chun, Hong Kong, China / Máté Varga, Hungary / Savitha Venkatesh, India / Suharyati Suharyati, Indonesia / Clare Cullen, Ireland / Kazue Morimoto, Japan / Nu Ri Jun, Korea / Sia Wan Ying, Malaysia / Shuner Villanueva Leong, Singapore / Andrea Ortolá, Spain / Ida Nykvist Wibeck, Sweden / Natascha Jenny Spahr, Switzerland / Szu-Tzu Chen, Chinese Taipei / Warapan Tichan, Thailand / Hayley Wright, United Kingdom / Raychel Bland, United States of America

Winners

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32. Confectioner/Pastry Cook

Presenting sponsor



Competitors: Stefan Lubinger, Austria / Priscila Teixeira, Brazil / Marie-Eve Lazure, Canada / Camilla Winther, Denmark / Enni Rantala, Finland / Alexis Bouillet, France / Nóra Pályi, Hungary / Payal Choudhary, India / Nakita Sabrina Camelia, Indonesia / Lisa Vorhauser, South Tyrol, Italy / Mirina Ueno, Japan / Gun Hee Yu, Korea / Ionatan Ortiz, Mexico / Inger Marie Bråstad, Norway / Marcos Zaragoza, Spain / Jasmin Enzler, Switzerland / Shu-Ying Chen, Chinese Taipei / Stefan Howells, United Kingdom

Winners

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Retail & Commercial Enterprise

34. Cooking

Presenting sponsor



Competitors: Thomas Schäffer, Austria / Damien Gorjanec, Belgium / Laysa Menezes, Brazil / Antoine Corriveau, Canada / Francisco Donado, Colombia / Rasmus M. Thomassen, Denmark / Krestina Ōun, Estonia / Toni Toivanen, Finland / Maxence Barbot, France / Paul Emde, Germany / Ka Keung Sit, Hong Kong, China / Ádám László Deák, Hungary / Anshul Aggarwal, India / Susan Murphy, Ireland / Rochelle Grindley, Jamaica / Mai Noujima, Japan / Hong Wook Kim, Korea / Mohd Aiman Yusof, Malaysia / Raymond Plat, Netherlands / Megan Anderson, New Zealand / Øyvind Bøe Dalelv, Norway / Ricardo Isidro, Portugal / Hazel Koh, Singapore / Luis Gargallo, Spain / Emma Erlandsson, Sweden / Sandrine Eisenhut, Switzerland / Chen Cheng-Dian, Chinese Taipei / Pratchaya Chopngam, Thailand / Emre Turan, Turkey / Ben Murphy, United Kingdom / Rachel Koppelman, United States of America / Tat Ha My Linh, Vietnam

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Retail & Commercial Enterprise

35. Restaurant Service

Presenting sponsor



Competitors: Kate Crocker, Australia / Julia Heilig, Austria / Hemilton Santos, Brazil / Hubert Gravel, Canada / Nicolai Martens, Denmark / Maria Suihkonen, Finland / Déborah Teinturier, France / Regina Rager, Germany / Ninik Prasetya, Indonesia / Dermott Jewell, Ireland / Yuka Kobayashi, Japan / Kimberly Thorne, Netherlands / Kirsty Lister, New Zealand / Camilla Laiho, Norway / Milton Furtado, Portugal / Gim Hui Ong, Singapore / Guillermo González, Spain / Emelie Sajland, Sweden / Sabrina Anita Keller, Switzerland / Szu-Mei Lin, Chinese Taipei / Thinnakorn Tibintha, Thailand / Ozan Basaran, Turkey / Wojciech Pastor, United Kingdom / Melissa Rubincan, United States of America

Winners

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11. Offset Printing

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Competitors: Olivier Deloge, Belgium / Tom Middlebro, Canada / Mads Aaby Nielsen, Denmark / Susanna Virtanen, Finland / Julien Mercier, France / Sascha Epp, Germany / Tsz Fung Cheung, Hong Kong, China / Makiko Ito, Japan / Elsa Christophis, Sweden / Michael Thomas Bieli, Switzerland / Benjamin Phillips, United States of America

Winners

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Bronze

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17. Web Design

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Competitors: Blake Cannell, Australia / Guillaume Giansante, Belgium / Natã Barbosa, Brazil / Riley Van Ryswyk, Canada / Qian Li, China / Stith Torres, Colombia / Drazen Dodik, Finland / Nadim Raad, France / Shailesh Lohia, India / Moehammad Ahmad Yunus, Indonesia / Mir Mohammad Reza Mousavi Jeyd, Iran / Rushio Billings, Jamaica / Daisuke Nagai, Japan / Kyoung Woon Ko, Korea / Man Fai Ho, Macao, China / Said Al Riyami, Oman / Rakan Alghofaili, Saudi Arabia / Shan Xian Yong, Singapore / Cristian Torrijos, Spain / Linus Unneback, Sweden / Sebastian Häni, Switzerland / Bo-Yuan Su, Chinese Taipei / Anucha Petchagun, Thailand / Marwan Al Mansoori, United Arab Emirates / David Bowen, United Kingdom / Brett Patterson, United States of America / Le Thi Thuy Duong, Vietnam

Winners

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27. Jewellery

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Cookson Precious Metals

Competitors: Natalee Hibbins, Australia / Rodrigo Silva, Brazil / Sanni Jakoleff, Finland / Paul Nguyen, France / Prasenjit Dari, India / Mehrdad Borzoo, Iran / Takashi Shiiya, Japan / Min Gi Lee, Korea / Maria Zarate, Mexico / Lise Marie Chesterfledt Zachariassen, Norway / Jonatas Guedes, Portugal / Florian Zumstein, Switzerland / Ming-Hui Hung, Chinese Taipei / Akom Ocharos, Thailand / Alican Boyaci, Turkey / Hamda Alhafedh, United Arab Emirates / Robyn Allen, United Kingdom

Winners

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31. Fashion Technology

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Competitors: Rhaman Donovan, Australia / Katy Delisle, Canada / Juulia Peuhkuri, Finland / Julien Bonnet, France / Sukriti Singh, India / Syarifa Kamelia, Indonesia / Mika Kuroda, Japan / Yu Jin Kim, Korea / Ka I Hong, Macao, China / Leandro Costa, Portugal / Sarah del Monte, Spain / Nadja Humbel, Switzerland / Hsiu-Chun Lin, Chinese Taipei / Thanyarat Duangta, Thailand / Marwa Haddar, Tunisia / Asli Nuket Aydos, Turkey / Rory Andrew, United Kingdom / Vu Mai Hien, Vietnam

Winners

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40. Graphic Design Technology

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Competitors: Nick Sharp, Australia / Domenic Hartmann, Austria / Thomas Palacin-Danthine, Belgium / Guilherme Viera, Brazil / Andrew Power, Canada / Liliana Morales, Colombia / Malene Boel Kronborg, Denmark / Heikki Salo, Finland / Alexia Roux, France / Yik Chai Chang, Hong Kong, China /

Randhi Rega Alvian, Indonesia / Karin Fischnaller, South Tyrol, Italy / Nao Hatanaka, Japan / Ji Min Ham, Korea / Rino Martinsen, Norway / Taha Al Busafi, Oman / Abdulrahman alqaraawi, Saudi Arabia / May Peng Tham, Singapore / Diego Escribano, Spain / Huang-Chun Chan, Chinese Taipei / Piti Pravichpaibul, Thailand / Yasin Akta, Turkey / Taghrid Al Ali, United Arab Emirates / Jonathan Cleave, United Kingdom / Victoria Brown, United States of America / Nguyen Minh Tai, Vietnam

Winners

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Silver

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D1. Visual Merchandising

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Competitors: Mariina Jyläskoski, Finland / Philine van den Hul, Netherlands / Yi Qi Loh, Singapore / Kirsty Hoadley, United Kingdom

Winners

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Silver

Bronze

Best of Nations

The Best of Nation medals are presented to the highest achieving individual from each competing Member Country/Region across all Skill categories.

Winners

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Bronze

The Albert Vidal Award

Named after the founder of WorldSkills International, the Albert Vidal Award is presented to the highest scoring individual or team across the whole WorldSkills London 2011 Competition.

This year's Albert Vidal Award is a commissioned hand-crafted vase from a renowned glass blower based on the Isle of Wight, using traditional methods to produce the award. The vase sits in a base of solid Welsh slate.

Winners

Gold

Silver

Bronze



WorldSkills London 2011 and WorldSkills International thank you all.

Chris Humphries CBE explains how
WorldSkills London 2011 has helped
to unveil the UK's hidden treasure

This October, we saw 950
Competitors from across
the globe travel to London
to compete to be 'the best
in world' at their chosen skill
at WorldSkills London 2011.
So what was the significance
of this event to the UK?

The answer; there has never been a more important
time than now to offer information, advice and
support on future careers and job opportunities.
It was with real pride that the UK hosted this
60-year-old event (importantly with the full
backing of the Skills Minister John Hayes and the
Department for Business, Innovation and Skills)
that was once known as the 'Skills Olympics.'
We witnessed the world's most talented and
skilled young people compete for Gold, Silver
and Bronze medals in their chosen career.

However, the world stage they competed on
differs immensely – in some countries, successful
Competitors are celebrated; enjoying celebrity status
as well as wealth and glory. The picture in others
(including the UK) is very different. It is frequently
acknowledged that the public appreciation of any
education that is non-academic is disappointingly
low. There are many reasons to change this.

For insiders in the UK's Further Education (FE)
world, it has been a source of constant frustration
that our biggest asset (FE) remains such a hidden
treasure. Hosting WorldSkills has provided a tangible
opportunity to change this – there is no better
way to discover a new passion (or a hidden talent)
than getting hands-on and trying it out. To quote
Business in the Community (BITC) 'seeing is
believing', hosting WorldSkills here (for the first time
in 22 years) has taken FE to the very top of this
nation's agenda – exactly where the sector has long
argued it should be. If skills gaps are to be addressed,
the careers and jobs of the future need to be opened
up to the UK's young people. WorldSkills has been
the ideal forum at the ideal time.

WorldSkills also celebrated our unsung heroes;
the people with practical and applied skills, who
design, build and improve the world we live in.
WorldSkills showed how skills mean business.
We all know that skills mean long term job security
and economic prosperity for the country as well
as personal satisfaction. This is why it won't all be
over after tonight. In fact, you could say it is just the
beginning. The inspiration and excellence generated
by WorldSkills will be replicated, so that its legacy
will see future generations competing for gold
at the national level, every year.

'WorldSkills UK' will not only impact the current
financial climate; it will also influence the whole
future of UK trade and industry by integrating
future competitions and awards into a single,
streamlined process across the UK. Expansion
in the UK will ultimately drive growth and
productivity for years to come.

Challenging attitudes about the value and
acquisition of practical skills has never been
more needed or necessary. I thank you all here
tonight for helping us to achieve this and wish
you all continued success in future Competitions.



Chris Humphries CBE
Chairman, WorldSkills London 2011

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Do you know an ambitious
and talented young person?

Like what you've seen and know someone who should be involved? Then let's get them started on the journey to success! Skills competitions offer significant benefits to everyone involved and are a great way to boost professional skills.

Register your interest and find out more about the next cycle of national competitions at worldskillsuk.org



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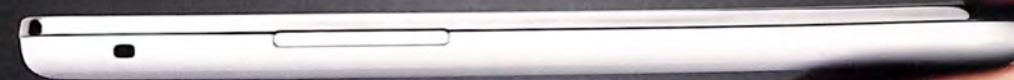
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