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## **Festo Didactic provides support for equipping universities in Syria**

Laboratories in Aleppo and Damascus are refurbished with state-of-the-art technology

**In cooperation with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), Festo Didactic, the education division of Festo SE, is striving to improve vocational and technical training in Syrian industry. This is intended to restore sustainable livelihoods in the crisis regions and accelerate their further development.**

### **New laboratories for the professionals of tomorrow**

Together with UNIDO, Festo Didactic is setting up new laboratories for the Faculty of Industrial Engineering at the Universities of Damascus and Aleppo. The rooms will be transformed into a modern learning environment through learning solutions and e-learning offerings on technology topics such as pneumatics, hydraulics, electropneumatics and PLC systems. "The key to Syria's reconstruction is skilled professionals. That is why we, as an educational supplier, have a great interest in providing support for technical education and training," says Enrico Rühle, Member of the Management Board, Festo Didactic.

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### **UNIDO and Festo Didactic intensify cooperation**

UNIDO has set itself the goal of sustainably promoting industrial growth in developing countries. Further impetus is to be provided by strengthening cooperation with Festo Didactic. "Through teacher training programmes, Didactic has contributed to the creation of a new educational ecosystem that gives many young students a hopeful outlook for the future," says Dr. Nader Imani, Head of Global Education Projects, Festo Didactic. On site, the professors and experts will receive assistance from our long-standing local partner Scientific and Technical Supplies (STS), which will provide technical support.

### **About Festo Didactic**

Festo Didactic is a leading provider of technical training and further education. The product and service portfolio offers customers integrated educational solutions in industrial automation topics. The wide range of products and services reaches vocational schools and universities, research centres and industrial customers. Festo Didactic is part of the globally oriented, independent family-owned company Festo with headquarters in Esslingen a. N. The 822 employees of Festo Didactic in 61 Festo national companies generated sales of EUR 172 million with 56,000 customers in 2019.

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**Caption:** Lecture in one of the newly equipped laboratories at the University of Damascus. (Picture source: Festo Didactic)