



Dmitry Ilin, Russia

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Dmitry tells us: "There is no doubt: Doing an MBA in International Industrial Management at Esslingen University in all respects was extremely profitable for me. The ability to communicate in international environments and to overcome barriers is the most important key for success."

Being able to communicate in Russian, English, German and Italian, Dmitry Ilin from Novosibirsk, obviously had easy access to the career ladder in an international company such as Magneti Marelli (Milan, Italy). After his internship during the MBA Program International Industrial Management at the Esslingen University, he was immediately offered a position at the Italian company supplying the automotive industry. Back home in Russia he had studied applied informatics and economics – but it was only his 16-month MBA course at the Esslingen University, which ideally prepared him for the challenges of his job: "The chance to combine theory and practice motivated us students very much. Application-oriented research and professors who know what they are lecturing because they have a lot of experience in industry", believes Dmitry "are crucial advantages of the MBA Program in Esslingen."

The 23-year old engineer travels a lot: Italy, Germany, Russia and Spain – Dmitry Ilin wakes up in different countries almost every day. He feels at home almost everywhere as he is able to see the benefits for himself. "For some Russians it is hard to integrate, but the Esslingen University helped us a lot with leisure activities and classes introducing us to German Culture".

Dmitry spends his holidays in Russia but travels a lot on the weekends. He particularly enjoys discovering new cities, right now in Italy, but it may as well be the German Southwest again as his company operates worldwide and has a base in Stuttgart.

"I would certainly recommend the Esslingen MBA program" says Dmitry Ilin "and I still think that Baden-Württemberg is the best place to go if you want to start a career in the area of manufacturing and production as there are so many respective companies co-operating with the universities. However, there is one thing that irritates him when he recalls his time in Stuttgart: "The shops are closed on Sundays. I will never understand why."

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