



Training at Nexans Medium Voltage Center now certified by Vormelek vzw

Buizingen, May 12 2010. Nexans, worldwide leader in cables and cabling systems, has recently obtained the certification of its Medium Voltage Training Center. This certification by Vormelek vzw grants a quality label to the trainings of the MVTC.

Safe installations

Faulty implementation of accessories causes the large majority of failures occurring on a MV network. Consequences are often not immediate but usually occur years later. "We want to share the knowledge and expertise we have internally on MV networks (thanks to our installation department) with all installers/contractors. Our objective is to help guarantee safer installations", comments Koen Van Gucht, sales manager at Nexans Benelux.

It is with this in mind that Nexans is becoming involved in setting up a Medium Voltage Training Center. The Medium Voltage Training Center aims at training the installers operating on medium voltage cable networks in Belgium. This involves strengthening their technical skills and passing on all knowledge, know-how and behaviour in order to guarantee maximum safety on a work site. Vormelek certification grants a quality label to the trainings.

Organisation of the trainings

The main strengths of the MVTC are:

- The customization of the trainings: Nexans provides custom-made trainings according to/depending on the knowledge of the installers and on the choice made as regards accessories.
- The content of the trainings: each training contains a practical section that follows a theoretical one consisting of an overview of the electrical phenomena and the key elements of an installation. The installer who succeeds in the final exam will get a certificate valid for two years. *"The Medium Voltage Training Center (MVTC) deliberately chooses this approach: only by doing it yourself you learn to pay attention to all the essential details and to install an accessory according to the rules,"* as puts it Thierry Vandermotten, MVTC manager.

About Nexans

With energy as the basis of its development, Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, offers an extensive range of cables and cabling systems. The Group is a global player in the infrastructure, industry, building and Local Area Network markets. Nexans addresses a series of market segments: from energy, transport and telecom networks to shipbuilding, oil and gas, nuclear power, automotives, electronics, aeronautics, material handling and automation.

Nexans is a responsible industrial company that regards sustainable development as integral to its global and operational strategy. Continuous innovation in products, solutions and services, employee development and

engagement, and the introduction of safe industrial processes with limited environmental impact are among the key initiatives that place Nexans at the core of a sustainable future.

With an industrial presence in 39 countries and commercial activities worldwide, Nexans employs 22,700 people and had sales in 2009 of 5 billion euros. Nexans is listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, compartment A. For more information, please consult www.nexans.be

About Vormelek

Vormelek is the training center of all companies of the electro-technical sector (PSC 149.01 for electricians active in installation and distribution) and it supports them in their competence and training management strategies. Vormelek is managed by the employers' organizations FEDELEC, FEE, LVMEB and NELECTRA and by the trade unions ACVMetaal, ABVV-Metaal and MWB-FGTB.

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