



August 2009 - OFSTED inspection finds SELEX Galileo 'Outstanding'

As a regulatory body set up by the UK Government to inspect learning providers in receipt of Government funding, OFSTED has a fierce reputation for rigour and scrutiny.

SELEX Galileo and AgustaWestland have recently undergone an OFSTED inspection achieving an 'outstanding' verdict, which is the highest award that can be given and surpasses some of our principal competitors.

We were also highly commended in other inspected areas, with a 'Grade 1 Outstanding' being awarded to; Achievement and Standards, Quality of Provision and for Engineering and Manufacturing Technology.

The inspection has quoted some of our Key strengths as:

Delivering "particularly well planned and closely monitored training", "outstanding programme meeting the needs of learners, employers and the wider community", offering "excellent guidance and support" as well as "good strategic planning of the apprenticeship programme to meet business needs". Of the partnership between the two operating companies, there was deemed "very good communication".

The result is a particular achievement, as it is our first inspection under the national Finmeccanica contract and rewards the members of both SELEX Galileo and AgustaWestland UK HR Team, who worked hard as an integrated team to deliver.

There are very few Companies in the UK with apprenticeship schemes recognised to this level and this assessment is now a key differentiator in our resourcing and career development portfolio. Our drive for continuous improvement will ensure we not only build on our strengths, but focus on areas of improvement to ensure we continue to deliver an exceptional learner experience.

The full OFSTED inspection report is now live and can be found at www.ofsted.gov.uk under Inspection reports ref 333554.