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Thiess Pty Ltd

Winner of the Minister's Award for Excellence for
Employers of Australian Apprentices 2008
(Brisbane Region, Queensland)



Thiess is a leading engineering, mining and services contractor with business operations throughout Australia, Asia and the Pacific.

More than 16 000 employees work on over 180 projects in construction, civil engineering, mining, process, environmental services and facilities operations and maintenance.

Thiess has been employing apprentices for nine years. In 2006, the company established Thiess Plant Apprenticeship, a structured program offering Certificate III qualifications through on site and classroom training.

'We provide regular professional development and training programs to ensure we recruit and retain the best people and continue to deliver our clients' requirements successfully,' says Stacey Frawley, Australian Apprentice Coordinator.

'Thiess' commitment to investing in our future ensures we are growing as a company, while retaining quality, skilled workers.'

The Thiess Plant Apprenticeship program has formed a partnership with Kickstart to Literacy, a program designed to help underachieving boys in middle school years.





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'Kickstart students are given the opportunity to learn real life skills by working with mentors in a workshop situation with real problems, real tools and real motors,' Stacey says.

'The experience and knowledge gained through the program encourage Kickstart students to consider a career in the industry and apply for an apprenticeship with Thiess.'

Thiess currently has 71 apprentices and, over the next few years, the number graduating is expected to double.

