

Facts and Figures



KIT - The Research University in the Helmholtz Association

Strong Science: 414 Professors

Attractive Workplace: 10034 Employees

Excellent Training: 358 Trainees 22816 Students









Karlsruhe Institute of Technology The Research University in the Helmholtz Association

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) creates and imparts knowledge for the society and the environment. From fundamental research through to application, it excels in a broad range of disciplines, i.e. in natural sciences, engineering sciences, economics, and the humanities and social sciences. It makes significant contributions to the global challenges of mankind in the fields of energy, mobility, and information.

With at 10000 employees, including roundabout 5800 scientists and lecturers, and 22,816 students, KIT is a big science institution holding a leading position in Europe. On July 19, 2019, the KIT was successful with its concept "The Research University in the Helmholtz Association - Living the Change" in the Excellence Strategy of the federal and state governments and has been a University of Excellence ever since. KIT offers research-based study programs to prepare its students for responsible positions in society, industry, and science. Its innovation efforts build a bridge between important scientific findings and their application for the benefit of society, economic prosperity, and the preservation of our natural bases of life.

As "The Research University in the Helmholtz Association", KIT fully exploits its synergy potential resulting from combining tasks of national big research with those of a state university. To fulfill its three core tasks of research, higher education, and innovation, KIT is organized in five Divisions: Biology, Chemistry, and Process Engineering; Informatics, Economics, and Society; Mechanical and Electrical Engineering; Natural and Built Environment; Physics and Mathematics. These Divisions link research, teaching and innovation to their respective institutes. The KIT Departments are responsible for university education. Program-oriented research is organized in Helmholtz Programs, each of them is assigned to one of the Heads of Division.

Research Scientific Excellence and Relevance to Society

Research is the central task of KIT and dedicated to both gaining knowledge and making significant contributions to the future viability of our society and the preservation of our natural basis of life.

The strength of KIT's research is reflected by the large scope of its research activities and its reciprocal enrichment of finding-oriented fundamental research and research close to application. KIT's research strategy is aimed at enhancing its national and international visibility by a clear and sharp research profile and, thus, at increasing its attractiveness for scientists from all over the world in all stages of their careers. Recruitment and support of excellent young scientists also is of high strategic relevance. KIT's research profile is determined by the disciplines pursued and works on topics sharpening this profile, in particular in the society's areas of demand of energy, mobility, and information.

Divisions and departments of KIT are responsible for the further development of disciplines and their contents, while Helmholtz Programmes and KIT Centers work on relevant topics in an interdisciplinary manner. Other structures, such as collaborative research centers and graduate schools, sharpen KIT's research profile to variable extents. Nine KIT Centers pool joint research activities irrespective of disciplines:

THE KIT CENTERS

Climate and Environment Elementary Particle and Astroparticle Physics Energy Health Technologies Humans and Technology Information · Systems · Technologies Materials in Technical and Life Science Mathematics in Sciences, Engineering, and Economics Mobility Systems





Higher Education Research-based Teaching and Learning

In fulfilling its higher education tasks, KIT understands itself as a research university that is strictly based on the entity of research and teaching. According to the basic didactic conception of KIT (research-based teaching and learning), research is the most important basis of higher education.

KIT is "The Research University in the Helmholtz Association", the only institution of this type in Germany. It stands for a researchand students-oriented teaching and learning culture. It provides best conditions for studies close to research with an optimum student/faculty ratio. After having completed their studies, students are prepared for assuming responsible positions in a globalized world with densely networked media. Studies at KIT enable students to develop sustainable solutions with the help of scientific methods. Studies programs have an international orientation. KIT offers both, German as well as English speaking Bachelor and Master programs.



KIT is also top in vocational training. More than 350 young adults are trained in about 45 future-oriented professions – in the commercial and technical sectors –, also in programs with the Baden-Württemberg Cooperative State University.

Eleven KIT Departments organize all higher education activities and academic affairs:

THE KIT DEPARTMENTS
Architecture
Civil Engineering, Geo- and Environmental Sciences
Chemistry and Biosciences
Chemical and Process Engineering
Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
Humanities and Social Sciences
Informatics
Mechanical Engineering
Mathematics
Physics
Economics and Management

Innovation Innovation for the Future Viability of Our Society

KIT's innovation efforts build a bridge between scientific findings and applications for the benefit of society, economic prosperity, and the preservation of our natural basis of life. KIT understands the transfer of scientific findings to application as a basic innovation principle and contribution to its social mission. Hence, all scientists of KIT are to fathom the innovation potential of their scientific and technological developments and use it, wherever possible.

German industry and the Karlsruhe Technology Region are ideal breeding grounds for realizing innovations. Moreover, KIT's research and innovation activities are in line with the federal government's High-tech Strategy and the continued Joint Initiative for Research and Innovation of Germany's federal and state governments and science organizations to enhance networking of good education, excellent fundamental research, and applied research in science and industry. Research, teaching, and innovation are considered core tasks of equal importance at KIT.



KIT as Employer Committed to Man and Mission

Qualified and motivated employees are the most important basis of success of KIT. Accordingly, transparent and responsible staff planning, support, and recruitment and staff work characterized by mutual respect, cooperation, trust, and subsidiarity are objectives that are given highest priority.

KIT strives for transparency, reliability, and trusting cooperation both internally and externally. Observation of the principle of equal treatment in any dimension of diversity, including equal opportunities of women and men, is a central concern of KIT.

KIT considers an inspiring work environment and cultural diversity of its researchers, teachers, and students to be enriching and supports the integration of international students and employees not only on the basis of personal competences of acting persons, but also by using latest equipment and providing favorable research and teaching conditions. To prepare scientists for scientific careers, also on the international level, career paths at KIT are compatible with the national and international science system. In principle, executive positions are filled in open international competition.



Data, Facts, Figures

Income in Million Euros (2023)	1163,1
Federal funds	344,7
State funds	328,6
Third-party funds	489,8

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Invention disclosures	70
Patent applications	38
Royalties	1,58 million Euros
Spinoffs	48

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