

## KIT Prepares Students Excellently for Employment

**QS Graduate Employability Ranking 2017: KIT Is the Best University in Germany and in 20<sup>th</sup> Position Worldwide**

**A first place in Germany and in the top 20 worldwide: These are the results of Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) in the Employability Ranking published today by Quacquarelli Symonds, briefly called QS. This ranking focuses on the preparation of university graduates for the labor market. Among others, KIT reaches very good results for the indicator of “cooperation with employers” and the proportion of employed alumni.**

In the area of cooperation with employers, KIT is granted 96.1 of 100 possible points. As regards the employment rate of graduates, KIT reaches 74.8 of 100 possible points, which is the best result of all participating German universities. In the overall ranking, KIT scores 76.6 (of 100) points and is in position 20 on the international level. Other German universities in the top 50 of this ranking are TU Darmstadt (place 30), TU München (place 42), and RWTH Aachen (place 44).

The “QS Graduate Employability Ranking” among others measures the university’s reputation among employers, the number of successful alumni, networking of the university with employers, and attractiveness of the graduates for employers in industry and business.

The 2017 QS Graduate Employability Ranking covers 300 universities worldwide. 200 of them are listed in the ranking, among them 15 German universities. For the ranking, QS also analyzed the feedbacks of 38,000 employers and networking between 70,000 enterprises and graduates.

**More information can be found at: [www.topuniversities.com](http://www.topuniversities.com)**

The QS Graduate Employability Ranking is one three current rankings evaluating universities with respect to the preparation of their alumni for the labor market. In mid-November, Times Higher Education (THE) published the Global University Employability Survey, in which KIT was ranked in place 81 worldwide. In the Germany-wide ranking based on this survey, which is published today, KIT reaches place 19

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on the national level. Already in October this year, the Wirtschaftswoche journal published the results of a survey of 540 human resources managers, in which KIT reached five top-ten places and in particular second places in computer science, business engineering, and electrical engineering.

**Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) pools its three core tasks of research, higher education, and innovation in a mission. With about 9,300 employees and 25,000 students, KIT is one of the big institutions of research and higher education in natural sciences and engineering in Europe.**

#### **KIT – The Research University in the Helmholtz Association**

*Since 2010, the KIT has been certified as a family-friendly university.*

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