

## Big Success of the First Open Day at KIT

More Than 45,000 Visitors Experience Science and Engineering First Hand



*On its first Open Day, KIT welcomed more than 45,000 visitors. (Photo: Andreas Drollinger)*

**For the first time, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology invited the public to come to an Open Day on September 25, 2010. On Campus North, institutes, infrastructure facilities, and partner institutions presented their work. About 80 sites to visit offered their guests a variety of interesting looks behind the scenes of the largest German science institution. The program also included popular science presentations and entertainment. About one third of the participating institutes came from the KIT Campus South. The Open Day met with high interest. KIT welcomed more than 45,000 visitors.**

Under the heading "Find out what is behind it all!", KIT presented its science and engineering highlights on Campus North. Visitors were invited to look behind the scenes of large research facilities on this day. More than 80 offers to join in and find out, exhibitions, and presentations were included in the program. One third of the participating institutes came from the KIT Campus South. They presented

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their work together with their colleagues from Campus North.

In the 2010 Science Year, “The Future of Energy” also was in the focus of the KIT Open Day. The program was complemented by exciting experiments and presentations in all other KIT research areas, i.e. Climate and Environment, Nano and Micro Technologies, Elementary Particle and Astroparticle Physics, COMMputation - Computing and Communication, Mobility, Optics and Photonics, and Interactions between Humans and Technology.

The Open Day was part of the Germany-wide Day of Energy and the Baden-Württemberg Day of Energy. In addition, KIT was granted an award as one of the places in the “Land of Ideas”, an initiative under the auspices of the Federal President.

**Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) is a public corporation and state institution of Baden-Württemberg, Germany. It fulfills the mission of a university and the mission of a national research center of the Helmholtz Association. KIT focuses on a knowledge triangle that links the tasks of research, teaching, and innovation.**

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