

Falling Walls Lab Karlsruhe – Of Creative Minds and Incredible Ideas

Talents from Southwest Germany Will Present Their Innovative Concepts at KIT – The Best will Attend the International Final in Berlin

FALLING WALLS LAB KARLSRUHE

For the first time, KIT will organize a Falling Walls Lab. Here, young talents are invited to present their research or business ideas. (Photo: Falling Walls Lab)

A stage, a great idea, and three minutes to present it. This is the Falling Walls Lab Karlsruhe that will take place on Friday, July 12th, 2019, 14.00 o'clock, at Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT). The international forum gives ambitious talents, innovators, and creative minds the opportunity to present themselves and their research work, ideas or business models. At KIT, the best “labsters” from Southwest Germany will present their groundbreaking ideas in, among others, life and environmental sciences, computer science, or mobility research. The interested public and the media are cordially invited.

For the first time, KIT will organize the Falling Walls Lab in Southwest Germany. The best participant will attend the final Falling Walls Lab on November 08th, 2019, in Berlin. There, the best “labsters” from all over the world will compete against each other. The top three will win prize money and the opportunity to present their topics on the big stage of the Falling Walls Conference. At this international conference on November 09th, 2019 in Berlin, 100 leading scientists worldwide will present their scientific and social solutions for global challenges,

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such as climate change, energy production, health, safety, or fair and sustainable economy.

Jury from Science and Industry

A jury headed by Professor Thomas Hirth, KIT Vice-President for Innovation and International Affairs, will decide on the winner of the Falling Walls Lab Karlsruhe who will then travel to Berlin in November. The other five jury members come from the University of Freiburg, the FZI Research Center for Information Technology in Karlsruhe, and from Carl Zeiss AG, BASF SE, and SAP SE.

Program: Falling Walls Lab Karlsruhe

Friday, July 12th, 2019, 14 – 17 o'clock

Entrance hall of the Präsidiumsgebäude on KIT Campus South, building 11.30, Engelbert-Arnold-Straße 2, 76131 Karlsruhe, Germany

- 14.00 – 14.10 o'clock **Welcome**
- 14.10 – 15.30 o'clock **Presentations**
- 15.30 – 16.30 o'clock **Networking**
- 16.30 – 17.00 o'clock **Awards ceremony and group photo**

More information: www.kit.edu/kit/english/25121.php

Being “The Research University in the Helmholtz Association,” KIT creates and imparts knowledge for the society and the environment. It is the objective to make significant contributions to the global challenges in the fields of energy, mobility and information. For this, about 9,300 employees cooperate in a broad range of disciplines in natural sciences, engineering sciences, economics, and the humanities and social sciences. KIT prepares its 25,100 students for responsible tasks in society, industry, and science by offering research-based study programs. Innovation efforts at KIT build a bridge between important scientific findings and their application for the benefit of society, economic prosperity, and the preservation of our natural basis of life.

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