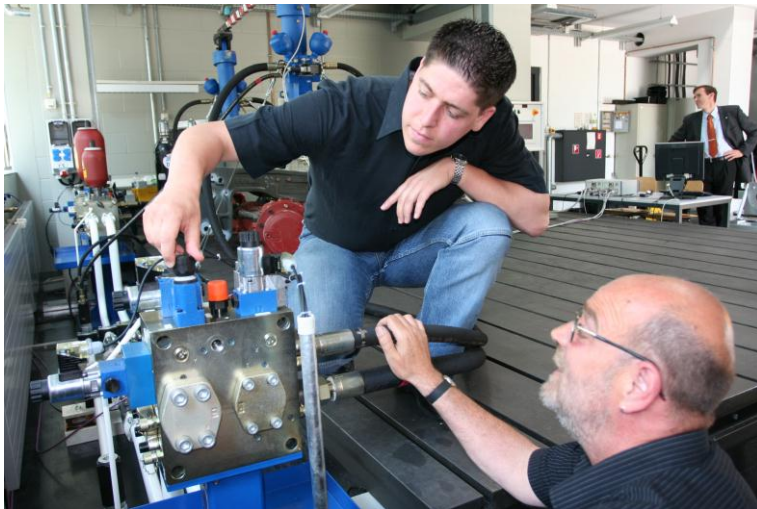


## Top Results in Worldwide Ranking

**KIT Is the Best German University in Engineering and Natural Sciences –  
Ranking Published by the National Taiwan University Is Based on Publication Data**



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*Excellent result: In mechanical engineering, KIT ranks in first place among German institutions. Worldwide, mechanical engineering of KIT ranks in place 13. (Photo: Gabi Zachmann)*

**Of all German universities, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) ranks in first place (worldwide place 45) in engineering sciences (engineering, computing, and technology) as well as in natural sciences (worldwide place 52). This is the result of the “2011 Performance Ranking of Scientific Papers for World Universities“ published by the National Taiwan University. The ranking measures research performance of universities worldwide based on scientific publications.**

KIT also reaches good results in individual subjects. In physics, mechanical engineering, chemical engineering, materials sciences, and civil engineering, KIT is number one of all German universities. It also reaches top positions in electrical engineering (rank 2), informatics (rank 3), chemistry (rank 4), and geosciences (rank 4). In international comparison, KIT's mechanical engineering ranks best with place 13 in the worldwide ranking.

Compared to other German and international universities and compared to previous years, KIT has moved upwards both in the overall ranking as well as in engineering and natural sciences and many individual subjects. In the overall ranking, KIT is now in 16<sup>th</sup> position in Germany (2010: 28) and in position 199 (2010: 275) worldwide. This overall ranking is based on the sum of all publications in all subjects. Due to its scientific and technical orientation, not all subjects are represented at KIT.

### **Background**

The “Performance Ranking of Scientific Papers for World Universities” succeeds the “Higher Education Evaluation and Accreditation Council of Taiwan” (HEEACT) ranking that has been published annually since 2007. As from this year, the ranking is published by the “National Taiwan University“. It considers universities only and is based exclusively on the analysis of scientific publications and citations of the past two to ten years. The publication data are taken from ISI – Web of Science (Thomson Reuters), one of the best-known publication databases.

Further information can be found at <http://taiwanranking.lis.ntu.edu.tw>.

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