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From 7 pm to 9 am and on weekends, the KIT-Bibliothek Süd can be entered with a valid library card only.

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The KIT Library provides information resources and services to Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), Karlsruhe University of Applied Sciences (HsKA), and the Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University Karlsruhe (DHBW-KA).

The two central libraries, the subject libraries of KIT, and the libraries of HsKA and DHBW-KA have a collection of more than 2 million books, research reports, and over 100,000 journals covering a wide range of disciplines. The focus lies on supplying electronic resources.

The Library supplies more than 36,000 students and nearly 12,000 researchers at the different locations with literature mainly on natural sciences, engineering, and economics.

KIT-BIBLIOTHEK SÜD
The central 24-hour library on Campus South is open all around the clock. A book security system, in combination with the automatic system for borrowing and returning books, allows for using the 950 single and group study spaces day and night. Recent literature of the last years is systematically shelved and freely accessible in four reading rooms. In the textbook collection, you will find several copies of frequently needed textbooks.

KIT-BIBLIOTHEK NORD
The central research library on Campus North has a large collection of publications and primary reports on energy and nuclear technologies. All literature is freely accessible. Apart from 50 study spaces, printers, scanners, and copiers as well as individual study pods for individual learning are available.

OTHER LIBRARIES
The Fachbibliothek HsKA (Moltkestraße 30) and the Fachbibliothek DHBW Karlsruhe (Erzbergerstraße 121) are attended to by the KIT Library. Other literature of the KIT Library can be found in the subject libraries for chemistry and physics. Special collections for architecture, computer science, and mathematics can be found in the respective subject libraries on Campus South. Additional study spaces are offered at the Lernzentrum am Fasanenschlösschen.

LIBRARY CARD
All persons living in Germany may be issued a library card for cost-free borrowing of books. KIT members can use the KIT-Card as a library card. The cards of the most important Karlsruhe universities as well as of the Badische Landesbibliothek and the Stadtbibliothek Karlsruhe can be registered as library cards for use at the KIT Library at no costs. External customers are issued a library card for a fee. For registration, they have to provide their identity cards.

LEARNING AND WORKING
The KIT Library and its subject libraries accommodate more than 2,000 study spaces in total. An overview is provided by the “Seatfinder” on the homepage. All study spaces are equipped with a WLAN connection. Usually, printers, scanners, and copiers are available on site. At a number of locations, group study spaces are available, some of which can be booked online. The KIT-Bibliothek Süd has a parent-child room. In addition, the KIT-Bibliothek Süd offers lockers, storage containers, and standing desks. KIT members can borrow photo, video, and audio devices in the media center.

ONLINE SERVICES
Major library services can be used online:
- Searches for books and journals in local, regional, and nation-wide online catalogs
- Searches for articles and conference papers in databases
- Access to several ten thousands of electronic books, journals, and online lectures as well as multi-media contents
- Ordering of literature not available in Karlsruhe via interlibrary loan
- For members of KIT, ordering of articles from the major KIT libraries via the LEA electronic article delivery service
- Administration of your library account (account information, account statement, extension of loan periods, book reservations, contact data…)
- Via KITopen, staff and doctoral researchers of KIT can publish and archive their publications and research data.

Please note: To use these services, you will need a KIT account of the Steinbuch Centre for Computing (SCC).

CONSULTATION, COURSES, AND GUIDED TOURS
Courses and Consultation Services
The course and consultation services offered range from coffee lectures and the search for scientific information to reference management instruments to advice relating to publishing at KIT. Detailed information can be found in the calendar of events on the homepage.

Guided Tours
Regularly, in particular at the beginning of the semester, KIT-Bibliothek Süd and Fachbibliothek HsKA offer guided tours. As an alternative, the KIT-Bibliothek Süd offers an audio guide that can be downloaded on the homepage.