

CLUSTER General Assembly 2025 Agenda

09.04.2025 – 11.04.2025
 Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)
 KIT-Campus South, InformatiKOM 1 (if not stated otherwise)

Wednesday, 9 th April 2025	
Time	Program
01:00 p.m.	Registration and refreshment <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 1 (first upper floor)</i>
02:00 – 03:30 p.m.	Working group “ Communication ” <i>Chair: Dr. Klaus Rümmele</i> <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 4 (first upper floor)</i>
02:10 – 02:30 p.m.	Walk to “Hoepfner Burghof” <i>Meeting point: InformatiKOM 1 main entrance</i>
02:30 – 05:00 p.m.	Tour of “Hoepfner Burghof” and beer tasting (<i>for those registered</i>) <i>Haid-und-Neu-Straße 18, 76131 Karlsruhe</i>
03:30 – 05:00 p.m.	Working group “ Mobility ” <i>Chair: Pascale Conard</i> <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 2 (first upper floor)</i>
	Working group “ GAST ” <i>Chair: Rui Mendes</i> <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 3 (first upper floor)</i>
05:15 – 05:30 p.m.	Walk to Audimax, KIT-Campus South <i>Meeting point: InformatiKOM 1 main entrance</i>
05:30 – 06:00 p.m.	Transfer to KIT-Campus North, Casino <i>Departure from Audimax, KIT-Campus South</i>
06:00 p.m.	Dinner at Casino, KIT-Campus North <i>KIT-Campus North, Herrmann-von-Helmholtz-Platz 1, 76344 Eggenstein-Leopoldshafen</i>
08:00 – 08:30 p.m.	Transfer to KIT-Campus South <i>Departure from Casino</i>
08:30 p.m.	Individual return to the hotels

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Thursday, 10 th April 2025	
Time	Program
08:30 a.m.	Registration <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 1 (first upper floor)</i>
09:25 – 09:30 a.m.	Walk to KIT-Library <i>Meeting point: InformatiKOM 1 main entrance</i>
09:30 – 10:15 a.m.	Tour of KIT-Library (<i>for those registered</i>) <i>Meeting point: InformatiKOM 1 main entrance</i>
09:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Working group “ EUI ” <i>Chair: Alberto Godio</i> <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 4 (first upper floor)</i>
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Working group “ SEEEP ” <i>Chair: José Santos-Victor</i> <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 2 (first upper floor)</i>
	Working group “ Sub-Saharan Africa ” <i>Chair: David Chiaramonti</i> <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 3 (first upper floor)</i>
12:30 p.m.	Lunch at Dining hall (please take your lanyard with you!) <i>Meeting point: InformatiKOM 1 main entrance</i>
02:00 p.m.	Steering Committee (members only) <i>InformatiKOM 1, Foyer (ground floor)</i>
03:00 p.m.	General Assembly (presidents/rectors or their delegates only, WG chairs for point 2 only) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Receive minutes of the last Steering Committee Meeting (Grenoble, 25oct2024) 2. Reports from the single WGs (including the acknowledgement of the names of the institutions' correspondents for the various Workgroups) 3. Approval of the 2025 budget, fees and accounts 4. Decision upon the venue of the next General Assembly (PoliTo) <i>InformatiKOM 1, Foyer (ground floor)</i>
05:00 p.m.	Keynote: “ Past, present and future of KIT and its relation to CLUSTER ” <i>Prof. Dr. Thomas Hirth, Vice President Transfer and International Affairs (KIT)</i> <i>InformatiKOM 1, Foyer (ground floor)</i>
06:00 p.m.	Group photo <i>InformatiKOM 1, Foyer (ground floor)</i>
06:15 p.m.	Walk to Audimax, KIT-Campus South <i>Meeting point: InformatiKOM main entrance</i>

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06:30 p.m. Transfer to “Badisches Brauhaus”
Departure from Audimax, KIT-Campus South

07:00 p.m. Gala dinner with reception at Badisches Brauhaus Karlsruhe
Stephanienstraße 38-40, 76133 Karlsruhe

ca. Individual return to the hotels
 10:00 p.m.

Friday, 11th April 2025

Time	Program
08:30 a.m.	Registration <i>InformatiKOM 1, Seminarraum 1 (first upper floor)</i>
09:00 a.m.	Workshop “CLUSTER: a network to coordinate international opportunities” 09:00 – 09:45 EUI: Roundtable moderated by the CLUSTER Secretary General, featuring representatives from KIT, KU Leuven, TCD, TU/e and UCLouvain, discussing CLUSTER as a platform for sharing experiences and plans from their European University Alliance 09:45 – 10:15 Q&A and discussion 10:15 – 10:35 Coffee break 10:35 – 10:55 (Sub-Saharan) Africa: Impulse pitch (Gulgun Alpan, Vice President INP-UGA) 10:55 – 11:15 China: Impulse pitch (Rogério Colaço, President IST) 11:15 – 11:45 Q&A and discussion 11:45 – 12:00 Conclusions by the CLUSTER President <i>InformatiKOM 1, Foyer (ground floor)</i>
12:00 p.m.	Farewell lunch at Dining hall (please take your lanyard with you!) <i>Meeting point: InformatiKOM main entrance</i>
01:30 p.m.	Individual departure and end of event (for those not attending the program at ZKM)
13.45 p.m.	Optional: Walk to Audimax, KIT-Campus South <i>Meeting point: Canteen main entrance</i>
02:00 p.m.	Optional: Transfer to ZKM Center for Art and Media Karlsruhe <i>Departure from Audimax, KIT-Campus South</i>
02:30 p.m.	Optional: Exclusive tour “200 Years of KIT – 100 Objects. Parts of a Whole” at ZKM Center for Art and Media Karlsruhe <i>Lorenzstraße 19, 76135 Karlsruhe</i>
03:30 p.m.	Individual departure after tour

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Practical information

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Cloakroom / lockers

A cloakroom cannot be provided and availability of lockers (InformatiKOM ground floor, 1€-coin necessary) cannot be guaranteed. **We suggest leaving all personal belongings that are not completely necessary for the event at the hotel** or to have them as carry-on.



If necessary, you can leave some of your belongings at the lounge (see down below).

Please note that the storage of items, in general, occurs at your own risk and **KIT cannot be held liable**.

Emergency

In an emergency, please reach out to the following emergency numbers:

- **Ambulance & fire brigade: 112**
- **Police: 110**
- Emergency on KIT-Campus: +49 721/608-3333



Information on emergency pharmacies can be found on this [website of the City of Karlsruhe](#) (only available in German, please use a translator).

Food & allergies

For questions regarding allergies, please get in touch with the staff of the restaurants or dining hall. You can also contact the organization team in advance, which will try to answer the questions in consultation with the restaurants/dining hall.



Regarding our **lunches on Thursday and Friday** in the Dining hall at Adenauerring, please find a translation of the menus at the end of this document. You're free to choose a preferred line and dish, we'll be seated at the first upper floor of the dining hall (look out for members of the organizing team). **Vouchers will be handed out to you during registration, please take them with you to the lunches.**

Coffee and water during the working group and plenary sessions will be provided in the Lounge (see "Lounge").

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Lanyard

Please come to the registration desk (see below) on your first day of attendance. You'll receive your lanyard, which also features a QR code to access the agenda and further documents for the event.

Please note: the lanyard is also used for easy identification in the dining hall as well as KIT-Campus North, so please always take it with you.

If you've lost your lanyard, please get in touch with the organizing team (see below).



Lounge

Seminarraum 1 (seminar room 1) at the first upper floor of InformatiKOM 1 will be set up as a lounge for the duration of the event. Feel free to visit anytime in between or during sessions.



Coffee and water can be found here as well, which can also be taken into other seminar rooms for the working group sessions.

We plan to always staff the lounge with at least one representative of the organizing team.

Organizing team

The main organizing team consists of Mr. Pascal Sick, Ms. Jana Ullrich and Mr. Clemens Anger. A member of the organizing team shall be within reach at all times, e.g. in the lounge (see above). Members of the organizing team can also be easily identified via the green lanyard.



Phone contact during the event: +49 152 24520498 (Mr. Pascal Sick)

Pharmacy

The closest pharmacy to KIT-Campus South is the "Apotheke am Durlacher Tor" (Pharmacy at Durlacher Tor), which is usually open from 08:00 a.m. – 01:00 p.m. as well as 02:30 – 06:30 p.m.



For information about pharmacies close to the hotels, please reach out to their receptions.

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Public transport

Karlsruhe has a dense public transport network, which is mainly operated by [KVV](#) and its subcontractors AVG and VBK. Tickets can be bought online, via app (“KVV.regiomove”) or at most train stops. Please find below an overview of train stops nearest to the event locations and hotels:

- KIT-Campus South: “**Durlacher Tor / KIT-Campus Süd**”
- Hotel Santo: “**Mathystraße**”
- Leonardo Hotel: “**Augartenstraße**”
- Hotel Erbprinzenhof: “**Europaplatz**” or “**Ettlinger Tor / Staatstheater**”
- ZKM Center for Art and Media: „**ZKM**“



You can use the KVV website, Google Maps or our custom Google MyMaps (see “Venues / map”) to plan your routes.

Registration (desk)



Please visit the lounge in Seminarraum 1 (seminar room 1) on the first upper floor of InformatiKOM 1 for registration and to receive your lanyard.

We may ask for your signature on a participation list - this is necessary so that e.g. catering services regarding the event can be settled by our finance department.

Venues / map

We offer a custom map with all venues, hotels and train stops for the event via Google MyMaps. The map can be accessed [here](#).

You can show and hide different groups of waypoints for better usability. For most venues, transfers or an escort by the organization team are available – please see the agenda for further information.



Wi-Fi

KIT & eduroam

We offer guest accesses for KIT's own Wi-Fi which, if needed, can be obtained at the registration desk (see above). eduroam is also accessible for all guests of participating institutions and can be used to securely access the local Wi-Fi.



KA-WLAN

Around 200 public access points for this Wi-Fi-network are provided around the city for use without registration. Please note that the connection is not encrypted.

ALL ABOUT KARLSRUHE

Karlsruhe is a vibrant city in southwest Germany, near the French border, in the state of Baden-Württemberg. Founded in **1715** by Margrave Charles III William of Baden, the city is known for its **unique fan-shaped layout**, with streets radiating from the **Karlsruhe Palace**, a key historical landmark. With a population of approximately **310,000**, it is a major hub for law, technology, and culture. Karlsruhe is home to Germany's **Federal Constitutional Court** and the **Federal Court of Justice**, making it the country's **legal capital**.

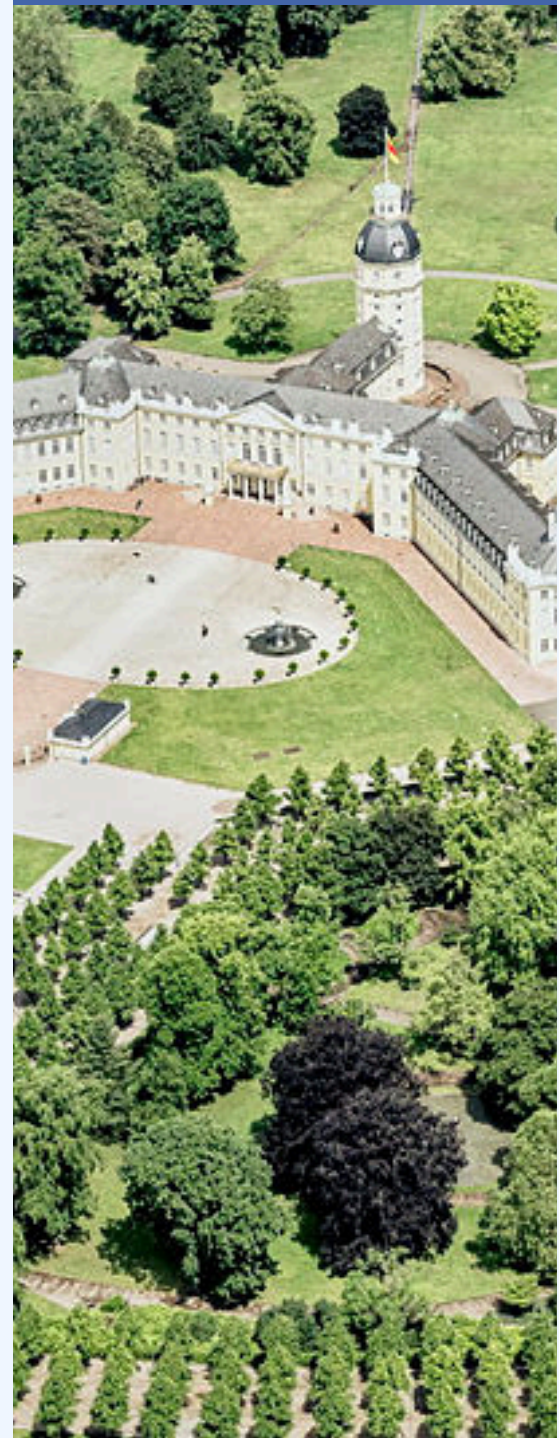


Carl Benz (1844–1929):
Born in Karlsruhe, he was the inventor of the first automobile powered by an internal combustion engine.

Cultural Highlights:

- **Karlsruhe Palace (The city's most iconic landmark, built in 1715, with the Badisches Landesmuseum inside)**
- **ZKM – Center for Art and Media (A globally recognized museum and research center focusing on digital culture, media art, and technology)**
- **The Karlsruhe Pyramid, located in the city's central market square, is a famous landmark that marks the tomb of the city's founder, Margrave Charles III William of Baden.**
- **Badisches Staatstheater (A major cultural institution presenting opera, ballet, drama, and concerts)**

**Karlsruhe
Palace**



ALL ABOUT KIT

The **Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)** is one of Germany's universities of excellence and "The Research University in the Helmholtz Association". Founded in **2009** through the merger of the **University of Karlsruhe** (founded in 1825 - that's why KIT celebrates its 200th anniversary this year) and the **Karlsruhe Research Center** (founded in 1987), it specializes in **engineering, natural sciences, computer science, and economics**. KIT is renowned for its cutting-edge research in areas like **energy, IT, and mobility**, and is part of Germany's **Universities of Excellence**. With over **25,000 students, 1,000 professors** and around **9,000 employees** it fosters innovation and collaboration with industry, making it a leader in technology and sustainability.



The current President of the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) is Professor Jan S. Hesthaven. He assumed office on October 1, 2024.

Facts about KIT

- **It has four specialized campuses and three external sites**
- **11 faculties covering areas such as engineering, natural sciences, humanities, and economics**
- **Around 22,000+ students, over 9,600 employees (including 370+ professors) and each year, around 160 new trainees commence their vocational training at KIT**
- **KIT is a leader in fostering innovation—more than 200 start-ups have emerged from KIT, including the tech giant Blue Yonder (AI-driven retail software).**



Menu of the day, Thursday 10th April 2025

Dining hall at Adenauerring

Line 1

 **Pasta with pea sauce and bacon topping** ^[1,2,3,ML,Se,We]

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 **Pasta with pea sauce and carrot topping** ^[1,ML,Se,We]

 **fresh fruit or salad served with every dish** ^[6]

Line 2 Vegan line

 **Vegan vegetable-crispy-cutlet** with parsley potatoes and lemon dip

^[1,Di,Sn,So,We]

∅


 **fresh fruit or salad served with every dish** ^[6]

Line 3

 **Vegetable rice pan mit tomato sauce** ^[Se]


∅

Green salad

 **Dessert of the day** ^[1,3,ML]

Line 4

Green salad

 **Dessert of the day** ^[1,3,ML]

 **Homemade gnocchi with various sauces** ^[Sf,We]

Line 5

 **Crispy chicken breast** sweet chili sauce ^[We]

∅

 **Mie noodle-salad with vegetable** ^[Sa,So,We]

 **Cauliflower-vegetable-mix** ^[1,Se]



Green salad

 **Dessert of the day** ^[1,3,ML]



Menu of the day, Friday 11. April 2025

Dining hall at Adenauerring



Line 1

 **Flavored maultaschen** with homemade potato salad
 ∅ Umwelt-Score: gut
 **dessert or salad served with every dish** ^[1,ML]



Line 2 Vegan line

 **Vegan maultaschen** with homemade potato salad
 ∅
dessert or salad served with every dish ^[Hf]





Line 3

 **Allgäu cheese spaetzle**
 ∅ Umwelt-Score: gut
Green salad
 **Dessert of the day**

Line 4

Green salad
 **Dessert of the day** ^[1,3,ML]
 **Homemade gnocchi** with various sauces ^[Sf,We]













Line 5

 **Boiled ox meat** with horseradish-sauce and cranberries
 ∅
 ∅ **Vegetable according to offer of the day**
Green salad
 **Dessert of the day**
 **Bouillon potatoes**

Unser Tagesangebot kann bei größerer Nachfrage abweichend vom Speiseplan angepasst werden.

Legende

(1) mit Farbstoff (2) mit Konservierungsstoff (3) mit Antioxidationsmittel (4) mit Geschmacksverstärker (5) mit Phosphat (6) Oberfläche gewachst (7) geschwefelt (8) Oliven geschwärzt (9) mit Süßungsmittel (10) kann bei übermäßigem Verzehr abführend wirken (11) enthält eine Phenylalaninquelle (12) kann Restalkohol enthalten (14) aus Fleischstücken zusammengefügt (15) mit kakaohaltiger Fettglasur (27) aus Fischstücken zusammengefügt

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