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www.ifr.uni-karlsruhe.de/english/information.html

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Visitors can find us at:
Reinhard-Baumeister-Platz 1,
building 10.50,
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Tram lines 1, 2, 4, 5, S2, S4, S5
Situated between the Black Forest and the Vosges mountains (France) in the Southwest of Germany, the city of Karlsruhe with its distinct fan-shaped outline originating in the baroque era was founded in 1715. Karlsruhe is a cultural centre of more than regional importance and is home to different universities, colleges and research institutes among which the University of Karlsruhe is best-known internationally.

The Institute for Regional Science at the University of Karlsruhe is a national and international contact point for regional scientists and regional planners in research as well as teaching. It also attracts those who want to deepen their knowledge in this field.

The Institute for Regional Science offers the interdisciplinary Master’s programme „Regional Science/Spatial Planning“ for graduates of different disciplines who want to pursue a career in urban, regional or national planning or in national and trans-national politics. The programme focuses on the specific problems developing and newly industrialising countries as well as countries of economical and social transformation encounter in the fields of regional science and regional planning.

The postgraduate programme imparts knowledge of regional science and develops tools for analysing regional structures, developments and land use conflicts.

In regional planning, these tools are applied to real-world problems and regional land use concepts are developed.

In addition to the courses offered by the Institute for Regional Science, students choose from the broad range of courses offered at the University of Karlsruhe in order to complement and deepen the knowledge they already acquired at home and in Karlsruhe.

The language of instruction is German. After two study years (4 semesters) and successful completion of all exams, the students acquire the academic title Master of Regional Science (M.Sc.). Students with an outstanding academic performance can continue and pursue a doctoral degree.

The application deadline is July 15th. The course begins in the winter semester (October). Application deadline for scholarships of the DAAD is October 15th in order to begin studying in the following year.

Further specific features of our programme are:

- an international atmosphere due to a majority of non-German participants
- team-oriented and interdisciplinary work
- independently written study projects and Master’s theses with a practical orientation which can focus on special problems of regional science and regional planning in the students’ home countries
- opportunity of internships during study with German public authorities
- intensive supervision (favourable teacher/student ratio)
- modern working and presentation techniques (e.g. Geographic Information Systems)
- extensive library
- a field study period abroad integrated in the syllabus

Our scientific staff is also engaged in research on up-to-date topics in regional science and spatial planning.