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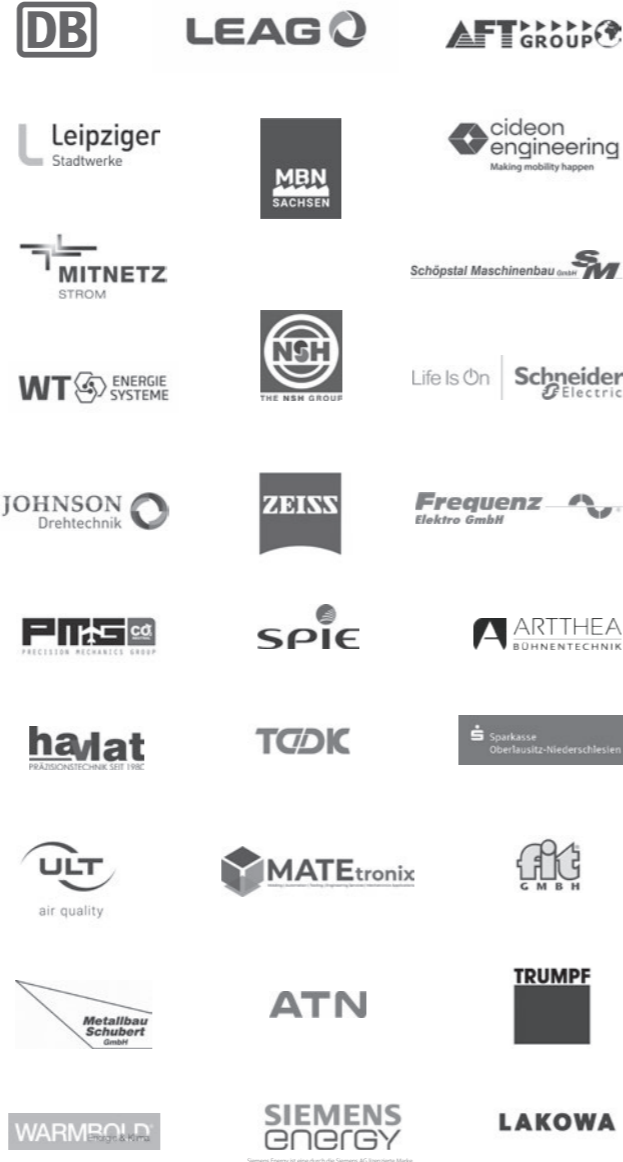


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## KIA – partner companies



You can find more partners at:  
[www.hszg.de/en/kia-kooperationspartner](http://www.hszg.de/en/kia-kooperationspartner)

## KIA – your path to us

Ready to start your  
KIA journey at HSZG?



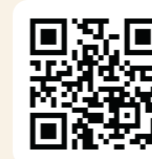
This is how your application works!

### 1. Find a practice partner

Every year from September, you can apply for an apprenticeship or practical placement at one of our KIA companies ([hszg.de/en/kia-kooperationspartner](http://hszg.de/en/kia-kooperationspartner)).  
Is your preferred company not included? Just talk to them – we'll be happy to help you get in touch!

### 2. Apply for the course

You will need the contract with the KIA company to apply for a dual or cooperative study program at the HSZG. This is possible every year for the winter semester from May and for the summer semester from December.  
[www.hszg.de/bewerbung](http://www.hszg.de/bewerbung)



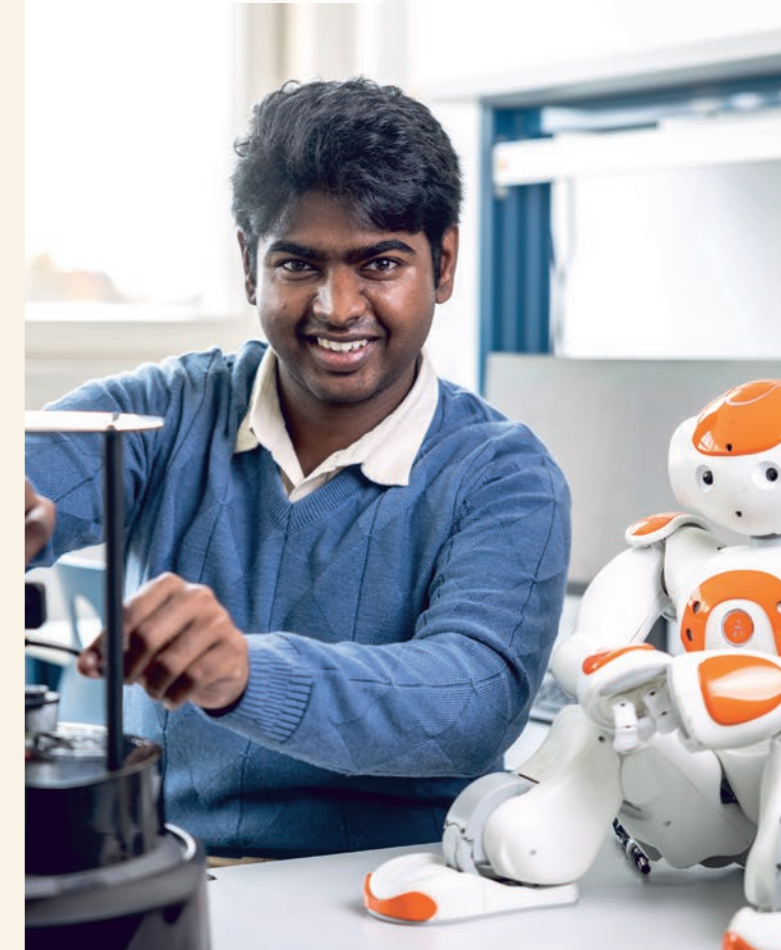
Important: The undergraduate (Bachelor and Diplom) courses start in the winter semester. Only some Master's degree courses start in the summer semester.

### 3. Let's go – welcome to KIA!

Once you have your training contract and have been admitted to university, you are part of the KIA community.

We celebrate this at the KIA Shuttle Start - the welcome event for all KIA students.

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**KIA study model**  
dual or cooperative



## What is KIA?

KIA stands for the German term “Kooperative Ingenieurausbildung” and means Cooperative Engineering Education – a successful cooperative study model with a proven track record since 1997.

You study at our university and at the same time complete a shortened vocational training in a company. Whether in a traditional dual program or an individual cooperative model – you have the choice!



### Your advantages:

- » Two qualifications in one in the classic KIA model (a university degree + a vocational qualification)
- » Monthly financial security through an attractive salary
- » Strong practical experience through partner companies
- » Study start support with preparatory courses, tutorials & talent development programs
- » Excellent career opportunities with more than 130 partner companies
- » Support services for housing, learning and everyday life

## Who is KIA right for?

### KIA is the perfect choice if you:

- » have an interest in technology or natural sciences,
- » are ready to combine theory and practice,
- » want financial independence.

## Our KIA models for international students

If you are from abroad and have a C1 language certificate or have passed the FSP/DSH exam at a Studienkolleg, the KIA or KIA<sub>direct</sub> study models are the best option for you.

### **KIA** The original - Study and vocational training in one

You complete an engineering degree while also undertaking a shortened, chamber-certified vocational training program.

- » Two qualifications in 4.5 (Bachelor) or 5 years (Diplom).

### **KIA<sub>direct</sub>** Cooperative study without vocational training

You study in a regular degree program and complete practical phases in a company during lecture-free periods.

- » Instead of a vocational qualification, extensive practical experience.

### What is a vocational training?

Vocational training is a program in Germany that combines practical work experience in a company with theoretical lessons at a vocational school. It usually lasts 3–3.5 years and prepares you directly for a skilled profession.

With our KIA study model, you can earn your vocational qualification in just 2.5 years!



## Which degree programs are available in the KIA model?

### **KIA**

- » Mechanical Engineering
- » Automation & Mechatronics
- » Energy & Environmental Engineering
- » Electrical Power Systems
- » Electrical Engineering

### **KIA<sub>direct</sub>**

- » Computer Science
- » Business & Computer Science
- » Housing and Real Estate Industry
- » Green Engineering
- » Mechatronics for Manufacturing
- » Semiconductor processes and materials chemistry
- » Integrated Management Systems (Master)

## Apprenticeships for dual study programs

### **Electrical Engineering**

- » Electronics Technician for Automation Technology
- » Electronics Technician for Devices and Systems
- » Electronics Technician for Industrial Engineering
- » Mechatronics Technician

### **Mechanical Engineering**

- » Industrial Mechanic
- » Cutting Machine Operator
- » Construction Mechanic
- » Mechatronics Technician