To the new students
in the 2020/2021 winter semester

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Invitation to the O-Phase in the 2020/2021 winter semester

Hello,

You want to start studying physics, geophysics, meteorology or teaching physics in Karlsruhe in the 2020/2021 winter semester? Then you are exactly right here! If not, you can find your O-Phase at [https://www.asta-kit.de/de/o-phase](https://www.asta-kit.de/de/o-phase). Regardless, you probably have a lot of questions:

- Which *lectures* do I have to attend?
- What should I watch out for regarding the *corona pandemic*?
- What is my *schedule* like?
- Which *textbooks* are recommended?
- How do I find the *lecture halls, cafeteria, library,...*?
- What else can I do at the university *besides studying*?

In order to answer these and other questions and to make it easier for you to start your studies in general we have a very special *orientation phase* this year, to which we would like to invite you.

Why is this O-Phase special? This year we are of course turning our entire concept upside down in order to provide you with the most secure but nevertheless instructive and exciting O-Phase. In line with the motto of your first lectures, we have organized your first week at the KIT to be both, *digitally and in person*. That means presence in small groups and digital lectures. In the lectures you will receive the most important information about your studies while in your small groups questions will be answered and, most importantly, you will get to know your future fellow students.

Sounds good! How can I *participate*?

Register for the O-Phase at [https://fachschaft.physik.kit.edu/ophase/english](https://fachschaft.physik.kit.edu/ophase/english) by October 19, 2020. On this website you can also find a small FAQ, which may answer the one or the other question that is on your mind and soon there will also be a timetable for the O-Phase.
The O-Phase starts on **Monday, October 26th, 2020** and lasts until **Friday, October 30th, 2020**. When and where exactly you have to be on Monday, you will find out shortly before the start of the O-Phase.

That begs the next question: Who are we actually? We are students ourselves who stand up for the **interests** of the students at the faculty. We also provide **advice and information**, such as the O-Phase, but also exam collections, examination protocols and much more. You can find out more about our **work** on our website or... correct: during the O-Phase.

See you!

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