Location of GridKa School:
GridKa School takes place at the Campus North of Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), at the premises of FTU (Fortbildungszentrum Technik und Umwelt). FTU is located directly in front of KIT Campus North main gate (for more information see pages on how to get there and maps).

How to get to KIT Campus North (and back to the hotel):
There are three ways to get to KIT and back: by shuttle bus, by public transport and by car (there are parking lots available). The shuttle bus is recommended. Further information is given at how to get there.

Bus shuttle from Karlsruhe to conference location and back
Monday, 27.8.2012:
12:30 departure from Karlsruhe main railway station (South exit), via Best Western Queens Hotel (departure ~ 12:35) to conference location. Be sure that you are on the correct South side, if you see the trams you are on the wrong side of the main station.

You could also check the location on the Google Maps http://goo.gl/maps/20FE5. There will be a big sign “Kasper” on the buses and GridKa School poster attached.

Return: We organize a van to bring you to tram station in small groups after social event. You will get tram tickets for a group of 5 people.

Tuesday, 28.8.2012:
8:15 departure from Queens Hotel to school location at FTU Campus North
18:30 departure to evening lecture at KIT Campus South, Gaede-Hörsaal

Wednesday, 29.8.2012:
8:15 departure from Queens Hotel to school location at FTU Campus North
18:30 return to Queens Hotel

Thursday, den 30.8.2012:
8:15 departure from Queens Hotel to school location at FTU Campus North
18:30 return to Queens Hotel

Friday, den 31.8.2012:
8:15 departure from Queens Hotel to school location at FTU Campus North
12:30 return to railway station, via Queens Hotel (on demand)

Day passes for KIT for social event:
KIT maintains a rather high level of security (it was the location of the first German nuclear research system and still has a few nuclear installations on-site). Since for the visit of the GridKa Tier-1 center and for the social event on Monday evening (and possibly also on other occasions during the school) you need to enter KIT, we will prepare regular day passes to avoid inconvenient queuing in line at the entrance. That is why you were asked for date and place of birth in the online registration form. If you did not provide this information, please do so as soon as possible (write an e-mail to GridKa-School@scc.kit.edu).

Please bring along your passport (for citizens of European Union a regular ID card is also accepted).
Lunch and coffee breaks:
You will be offered coffee, tea, cookies and fruits during coffee breaks. We will have lunch on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the canteen, a building opposite the school building. There will be a separate area upstairs, where all GridKa school attendees will have a lunch menu.

Electric power:
We will provide a sufficient number of power sockets for all participant notebooks. (For participants from abroad: please be aware that the plugs in use are of CEE-7/7 system. Take a look at [wikipedia](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mains_power_systems) if you are in doubt. German standard for current supply is 230V/50Hz.

Linux notebooks:
They definitively need to have ssh, a web browser (firefox advised) and a graphical X; root privileges are highly advised.

Windows systems:
They definitively need to have
- **ssh**: [download ssh](http://www.sfsu.edu/ftp/win/ssh/SSHSecureShellClient-3.2.9.exe)
- a web browser (firefox advised);
- a graphical X: e.g. [cygwin/x offers a linux environment with ssh and X](http://x.cygwin.com/)
and administrator privileges are strongly recommended.

Grid certificates:
Several courses at GridKa School use grid certificates. All participants will be provided with short-term certificates; these (and only these) can be used for our courses.

WLAN access for GridKa School 2012:
Guest access for Wireless LAN at GridKa School 2012:
Select the network "vpn/web/belwue" and start your favorite web browser and try to access any web page. You will be redirected to the guest account login page.

The username is "XXXXXXXXXXXXX" and the password is "xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx".
This account is valid for the whole GridKa School.
In addition, the "eduroam" network is available in some of the GridKa School rooms.

Rooms for parallel courses from Tuesday until Thursday:

Monday evening:
One of GridKa School's traditions is the "Tarte Flambee" (an Alsacian speciality made from a very thin layer of pastry topped with sour cream, chopped onions and bacon) served at the informal social event on Monday evening. Beer and alcohol-free beverages will be provided. After the Monday sessions we will meet in front of the FTU and go together through the KIT gate to the event place.
Tuesday evening:
The evening lecture will take place at Gaede-Hörsaal, Engesserstr 7, Campus South. The departure of the shuttle bus is scheduled for 18:30 from school place.

Thursday evening:
The school dinner is the annual highlight of GridKa School's evening program. It will take place in the Best Western Queens Hotel Karlsruhe, which is the conference hotel this year, located 5-10 minutes from railway station.

Both social events are possible because of the support by

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