

## **Press Release**

## Destatis Publishes Third-Party Funding Income TU9 Universities rank highest again

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The TU9 Universities again occupy top positions in terms of third-party funding income from public and private sources. This is confirmed by figures published by the Federal Statistical Office (destatis) for 2017.

RWTH Aachen University raised the most third-party funding of all German universities in 2017. With €294 million, RWTH Aachen ranked first for third-party funding, matching previous years. Ranking second after RWTH Aachen came the Technical University of Munich with €276 million, while Technische Universität Dresden came third with €210 million.

RWTH Aachen University received an average of €871,300 in third-party funding per professor. The University of Stuttgart, ranking second in terms of third-party funding per occupied professorship, raised €732,000, while the Technical University of Munich took in €698,800 euros per professor. On average, a professor at a German university raised €266,200 in third-party funding.

"The high third-party funding figures confirm the excellent performance of the scientists researching and teaching at the TU9 Universities," said Professor Dr.-Ing. Wolfram Ressel, TU9 President and Rector of the University of Stuttgart, commenting on the latest figures published by the Federal Statistical Office on third-party funding income at Germany's universities. "Third-party funding cooperation ensures that topics relevant to the economy and the society of the future flow into scientific research and then transfer back into society," he explained.

https://www.destatis.de/DE/Presse/Pressemitteilungen/2019/09/PD19 345 213.html

## **About TU9**

TU9 is the Alliance of leading Universities of Technology in Germany: RWTH Aachen University, Technische Universität Berlin, Technische Universität Braunschweig, Technical University of Darmstadt, Technische Universität Dresden, Leibniz University Hannover, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Technical University of Munich, and University of Stuttgart.

Tradition, excellence, and innovation are the hallmarks of TU9 Universities. Founded during the Industrial Age, they contributed decisively to technological progress back then and continue to do so today. They enjoy an outstanding reputation around the world as renowned research and teaching institutions that promote the transfer of knowledge and technology between universities and practice. As such, they train exceptional young academics for careers in science, business, and administration and assume social responsibility. TU9 Universities foster top-class international networks and diverse cooperation with industry, making them a key element of Germany's position as a location of science and innovation.