

ETH Zurich inaugurates campus in Germany

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ETH Zurich is currently occupying the HIP Tower on the Bildungscampus Heilbronn.

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Approximately two years after signing a joint letter of intent with the Dieter Schwarz Foundation, ETH Zurich is inaugurating a new campus in Heilbronn, with numerous guests from politics, industry and academia in attendance.

With its new Heilbronn Campus, ETH Zurich is building a long-term strategic bridge to Germany and the European Research and Innovation Area. In collaboration with the Dieter Schwarz Foundation, it is establishing a new centre for teaching and research focused on artificial intelligence, data science and responsible digitalisation. The objective is to create a European centre of competence that closely links research, innovation and knowledge transfer, thereby enhancing and consolidating ETH Zurich's international networking in digital technologies.

Today, in the presence of Federal Councillor Albert Rösti, State Secretary for Education, Research and Innovation Martina Hirayama, German Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy Katherina Reiche, and Baden-Württemberg's Minister of Science, Research and Arts Petra Olschowski, ETH President Joël Mesot and Reinhold R. Geilsdörfer, Chairman of the Dieter Schwarz Foundation, officially inaugurated the ETH Zurich Heilbronn Campus after around two years of development.

The ETH President stated: "We aim to establish a hub for responsible digital transformation – ETH is here to stay." Reinhold R. Geilsdörfer added: "Our local innovation ecosystem has gained in ETH Zurich an additional partner of

international standing, which will help us position Heilbronn even more prominently at the global level as a centre of research in the field of artificial intelligence and digitalisation. Today's inauguration marks a very important milestone for both the campus and the region."

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