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Joint HRK and KMK press release

Application and admission procedure for the 2020/21 winter semester can start

The application and admission procedure through the *Stiftung für Hochschulzulassung (SfH)* (Trust for Admission to Higher Education) has been facilitated for the 2020/21 winter semester thanks to the joint efforts of the universities, the Stiftung für Hochschulzulassung (SfH) and the federal states.

The following dates have been established:

On 1 July 2020, the Stiftung für Hochschulzulassung (SfH) will open its application portals. The final application date for new school leavers with the *Abitur* for the centralised procedure is 20 August 2020 for the 2020/2021 winter semester. This date is also valid for other study programmes for which the allocation of study places is coordinated by the Stiftung für Hochschulzulassung (SfH).

In spite of final examinations being postponed due to the coronavirus, this will enable those leaving school this year with the *Abitur* to apply for the winter semester. 2 November 2020 is the target start date for lectures for new students in these study programmes.

The federal states, the universities and the Stiftung für Hochschulzulassung (SfH) are working flat out to clarify the final details. As of 2 June 2020, applicants who acquired their higher education entrance qualification in previous years (those who left school with the *Abitur* in previous years) can find out about the amended dates for the centralised allocation process on the website of the Stiftung für Hochschulzulassung (SfH) at www.hochschulstart.de.