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## **Academic Annual Celebration 2017**

Teaching Prize for mathematician Michael Eisermann

As part of the Academic Annual Celebration, the University of Stuttgart has once again awarded the Teaching Prize. With this distinction, which was established two years ago, the University of Stuttgart underlines the strategic significance of excellence in teaching. This year's winner is Michael Eisermann, Professor at the Institute of Geometry and Topology in the Mathematics Department.

By bestowing the award, the University of Stuttgart honors most of all Eisermann's extraordinary commitment, his ability to establish relationships of applicability to other departments, as well as his preparation of a 900-page lecture script with continuously updated explanations and exercises for students.

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Prof. Michael Eisermann and Rector Prof. Wolfram Ressel. Photo: University of Stuttgart.



Michael Eisermann, born in Wiesbaden in 1971, studied mathematics and physics in Oldenburg, Edinburgh, Strasburg, and Bonn, where he earned his doctorate in mathematics with a minor in economics in 2000. This was followed by two years as a post-doc at École Normale Supérieure in Lyon and seven years as an assistant professor at the Institute Fourier in Grenoble, where he received his habilitation in 2007. Since 2009, Michael Eisermann has been teaching and researching as a professor at the University of Stuttgart's Institute of Geometry and Topology in the Mathematics Department. His core subject is geometric topology with a focus on low-dimensional diversity and knot theory. Eisermann gives lectures on topology for Bachelor's students from their 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester, as well as continuation lectures on geometric and algebraic topology and lectures on higher mathematics.

The Teaching Prize of the University of Stuttgart was established in 2015. It is awarded annually and endowed with 10,000 Euro. The prize money is to be used specifically for the purpose of improving teaching practice.