

# Symbolic computer institute in Linz

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**THE University of Linz in Austria has announced the founding of a new Research Institute for Symbolic Computation (RISC-Linz) with the help of Austria's nationalized steel company VOEST-ALPINE. The institute, which is also supported by the Austrian and local governments, will investigate all areas of computation that use non-numerical symbols, such as logical formulae and geometric objects. The research at RISC-Linz, which is related to artificial intelligence but has a more industrial bent, will be carried out by a core staff of seven faculty members from Linz University as well as five researchers from industry. S.D.**