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29. 02. 1956 Date of birth (Buedingen, Hesse, Germany)

Summary

More than 33 years' experience in teaching, research and practice in law; 17 years' experience in European and international network management. Currently Chair for German, European and International Private Law and Commercial Law at Law of Faculty, Leibniz University Hanover, Germany.

Education

1971 – 1980 Engineering high school at Hanau, Germany; studies in law, physics and philosophy at J.W.Goethe-University, Frankfurt/Main, Germany; grantee of German National Fellowship Foundation

1981 First state examination in law, Frankfurt/Main, Germany

1981 – 1982 Graduate studies at University of California Los Angeles, School of Law, USA; Master of Laws (LL.M.); assistant of Prof. George Fletcher, UCLA

1983 – 1985 Clerkship, Court of Appeals, Frankfurt/Main, Germany

1985 Ph.D. (Dr. jur.) at J.W.Goethe-University, Frankfurt/Main, Germany (adv. Prof. Dr. Dieter Simon, MPI Frankfurt)

1986 Second state examination in law.

Employment

1982 Patent and copyright law firm Spensley, Horn, Jubas & Lubitz, Beverly Hills, CA, USA

1983 – 1985 Clerkship, Court of Appeals, Frankfurt/Main, Germany

1986 – 1987 Ministry for Cultural Affairs Rhine-Palladium, Mainz, Germany

1987 – 1992 Juniorprofessor Hamburg U., Faculty of Law, Hamburg, Germany

1992 Habilitation at Hamburg U, *venia legendi* for private law, civil procedure, business law, and legal theory (adv. Prof. Dr. Rainer Walz)

since 1992 Professor at Leibniz University Hanover, Germany

1993 – 1994 Teaching at Europe University Viadrina, Frankfurt/Oder, Germany

since 1994 *Chair for German, European and International Private Law and Commercial Law, Faculty of Law, Leibniz University Hanover, Germany*

1999 - 2016 Chairman for the international programmes of ELPIS (MLE/CLE/LL.M. Eur. joint degree) at LUH and for the ELPIS network of European law faculties (for details vf. www.ELPIS.eu)

2000 – 2004 Dean and Vice Dean at Faculty of Law, Leibniz University Hanover

2002	for 6 months guest lecturer and research at Chulalongkorn University Bangkok, Thailand
2003 – 2006	Scientific coordinator of TEMPUS project "reform of Russian legal education", four pilot projects in the Ural region at Tjumen, Ekaterinenburg, Perm und Ishevsk, Russia.
2004 – 2014	Erasmus Mundus coordinator (EU) for the programme “European Legal Practice LL.M. Eur. joint degree” (France/Germany/Portugal)
2017 - 2021	Dean, Faculty of Law, Leibniz University Hanover
2021 – 2023	Senator, Academic Senat, Leibniz University Hanover; Vice Dean

International Teaching/Accreditation/Research

Japan (Keio U and Yokohama City U 1994), Poland (Center for New Europe, U Krakow 1996, 1998; Marie-Curie Sklodowskiej U Lublin 1994, 2001 – 2003, 2010, 2020); Scotland, UK (Strathclyde U Glasgow 1996, Durham 2011); Greece (Aristoteles U Thessaloniki 1998); Turkey (Bilgi U Istanbul 1998; political delegation, Minister for Economy, Lower Saxony at Istanbul, Izmir and Ankara 2010, Konya 2015); Russia (State U Perm 2001, Law Academy Ekaterinenburg 2004, HSE Moskow 2019); Portugal (Catholic U of Portugal, Lisbon 2001 – 2009; U of Lissabon 2010 – 2019, 2021); Thailand (Chulalongkorn U Bangkok 2002, 2007 – 2014); China (Northwest U Xi'an 2005, Jiao Tong U Shanghai 2007), Brasil (UNIPLAC Brasilia 2006, DAMAS U Recife 2019), India (SYMBIOSIS U Poona 2008 – 2011, NLU New Delhi 2017); Indonesia (Bandung Univ. 2012, Gadjah Mada U, Yogyakarta 2013); Malaysia (UiTM Shah Alam 2016); France (U Le Havre 2017); USA (Louisville U, Kentucky 2021/22).

Other Activities

Coordinating scholar for the German National Fellowship Foundation (1997 – 2021); rapporteur for the European Council, meeting in Waszawa 2000; Adv. commission on the reform of legal education of Lower Saxony 2001/2; chairman Hanoverian Learned Society for Legal Studies 2004 – 2012; Board of Center for East-West Contacts, Lueneburg 2007 – 2013. Adv. Council Faculty of Law, U Lisbon, Portugal; ext. member of the registry of the Aristotle U of Thessaloniki, Greece; g. Ed. Law Journal of Mykolas Romeris U Vilnius, Lithuania; g. Ed. Law Journal of SYMBIOSIS U, Punay, India; Adv. Board Law Review UiTM, Shah Alam, Malaysia (2014 - 2017), program accreditations in Germany and Russia (2016 - 2020).

Honors

Award on activity in the European Mundus program by DAAD at Berlin Academy of Science, 2009.

Hon. Professor Marii Curie Sklodowskiej University (UMCS), Lublin, Poland, October 23rd, 2010

Docteur honoris causa, University of Rouen, France, June 28th, 2013

Scholar of Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) by Min. of Human Resouce Development of India, September 2017.

Reg. Arbitrator at Thai Arbitration Institut, Bangkok, 2020.