

## DPE Digital Preservation Trainers

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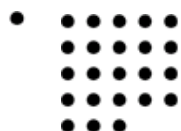
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| <b>Country:</b>              | Germany   |
| <b>Languages:</b>            | English, German   |
| <b>Areas of Expertise:</b>   | Digital preservation in Germany, education and qualification in digital long term preservation, strategies for digital preservation                           |

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### Curriculum vitae

- Born in 1956
- Studie of History and German in Stuttgart and Freiburg, MA in History, University of Freiburg im Breisgau (1982)
- Postgraduate study of Information Science in Berlin and Konstanz, Diploma in Information Science, University of Constance (1986)
- PhD in Information Science, University of Constance (1992): Thesis: Electronic Document Delivery in the Age of Electronic Publishing
- Worked as sales employee of a software provider, lecturer and executive at the Institute of Documentation in Frankfurt
- Since 1990 working as a consultant in the Library and Information Science field, specially in library automation and workflow management
- Since 1990 lecturer at Universities of Applied Sciences in Cologne, Stuttgart and Marburg
- Since 1994 professor at University of Applied Sciences Cologne, Department of Library and Information Science (now: Institute of Information Science )
- Department representative in the field of IT applications in the LIS field
- 1997 - 2001 Dean
- 2001 - 2002 Deputy Dean of the Department
- Sabbatical with visits to Hawaii, Cuba and India as well as several european countries during the academic year 2004/2005
- Research term during winter term 2006/07 as visiting scientist at [Documentation Research and Training Centre](#), Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, India.

### Focus of Work

- Library automation; IT-based workflows in Library and Information Science Institutions
- Value-added features of IT-based information services
- Electronic publishing and electronic document delivery
- Long term preservation of digital objects
- Open Source Software in Libraries

### Member of the following professional Organizations:

- [Deutsche Gesellschaft für Informationswissenschaft und Informationspraxis \(DGI\)](#)
- [American Society for Information Science and Technology \(ASIST\)](#)
- Member of the board of ["Arbeitskreis Information Rheinland"](#)
- Gesellschaft für angewandte Informationswissenschaft Konstanz (GAIK)
- Member of the board ["Hochschulverband Informationswissenschaft e.V."](#)

### Member of Editorial Boards:

- [Zeitschrift für Bibliothekswesen und Bibliographie](#)
- [Review of Information Science](#)

### Extra curricular Work as Committee Member and Referee:

- Coordinator and referee at the ["Programme supporting application-oriented research and development at Universities of Applied Sciences \(aFuE\)"](#) of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (1998-2003)
- Member of the LIS "Think Tank" supporting the [British Council](#) in Germany (2001-2007)
- Referring expert for [inwent](#) (Internationale Weiterbildung und Entwicklung gGmbH) since 1999
- Member of program committees of several national and international conventions in information science for example [International Symposium on Information science \(ISI\)](#) , [European Conference on Research and Advanced Technology for Digital Libraries \(ECDL\)](#) or [International Conference on Semantic Web & Digital Libraries \(ISD2007\)](#)
- Counceler (Hochschulrat) at the [Fachhochschule Worms](#)
- Referring expert for [ACQUIN](#) (Accreditation, Certification and Quality Assurance Institute) and [OAQ](#) (Organ für Akkreditierung und Qualitätssicherung der Schweizer Hochschulen)
- Referring expert for the Institute of Information Science of the University of Madras, India

### Current functions within the Department of Information Science:

- Head of the [IT - Lab](#)
- Member of the executive committee of the Institute of Information Science
- Deputy CEO of the Institute of Information Science

### Selected Research Projects

- [2MN](#)
- Project "Social and economic inclusiveness: the role of cultural and memory organisations" in cooperation with ECOTEC Research & Consulting [www.ecotec.com](http://www.ecotec.com)
- [Evit@](#)
- [HyPR](#)

### Publication

- [Overview](#) of the Publications (German)

### Current Courses

- [Overview](#) of current courses (German)

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