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Biographical Sketch

- 1980-1984 Academic Studies "Wood and Fibre Materials Technology" at Technische Universität Dresden (TUD)
- 1984-1988 Scientific Assistant at Institute of Wood and Paper Technology of TUD
- 1988 Graduation as Dr.-Ing. at TUD with "summa cum laude"
- 1988-1990 Scientific Assistant at VEB Wissenschaftlich-Technisches Zentrum der Holzverarbeitenden Industrie Dresden (scientific-technical centre of the woodworking industry Dresden)
- 1990-1992 Employment in industry
- 1993 Scientific Assistant and deputy head of the department "Wood as raw material" at the Institute of Wood Technology Dresden gGmbH (IHD)
- 1994-1999 Head of the department "Wood as raw material" at the Institute of Wood Technology Dresden gGmbH (IHD)
- since 1999 Chair of Wood and Fibre Materials Technology at TUD
- since 2002 Managing director of the Institute of Wood and Paper Technology of TUD
- since 2006 Member of the Saxonian Academy of Sciences in Leipzig (SAW)
- since 2008 Member of the German Academy of Science and Engineering (acatech)

Functions

- since 2002 Member of the Advisory Board of „Internationalen Vereins für Technische Holzfragen e.V.“ (Association for Technical Issues related to Wood) and Curator of the Fraunhofer-Institute for Wood Research - Wilhelm-Klauditz-Institut (WKI) in Braunschweig, Germany
- since 2005 Editor of the scientific journal "holztechnologie"
- since 2009 Member of Editorial Board of "European Journal of Wood and Wood Products"