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Dieter Spath

Univ.-Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E.h. Dieter Spath

Date and place of birth: 23. April 1952 in Lichtenau, Kreis Ansbach, married, two children

1971-1975

Studying mechanical engineering, faculty of production science and manufacturing at the Technical University of Munich.

1976-1981

Assistant lecturer at the Institute for Machine Tools and Management Science

1981

Doctor's degree "Influencing Factors Limiting the Efficiency of Metal Band-Saw Machines"

Industrial Activity:

1981

Entering KASTO-enterprises

1985

Executive manager for electrical engineering, EDP organization and sales as well as Chairman of Board of the American subsidiary KASTO Racine Inc.

1988

Managing Director for KASTO-enterprises

Academic Activity:

1992

Appointment to the post of full professor at the University Karlsruhe (TH),
Institute for Machine Tools and Production Science

1996 - 1998

Dean of the faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of Karlsruhe
(TH)

1996 - 2001

Member of the senate and the approval committee for collaborative
research centers of the DFG (German Research Foundation)

1999

Call of the Technical University of Munich, Institute for Machine Tools
and Management Science (iwmb), Succession Professor Milberg (rejected)

2002

Appointment to the head of the Institute for Human Factors and
Technology Management (IAT), University Stuttgart and the Fraunhofer
Institute for Industrial Engineering (IAO)

2003

Elected as member of acatech- Council of Technical Sciences of the
Union of German Academies of Sciences and Humanities

A Selection of Memberships & Honours:

- acatech - Council for Technical Sciences of the Union of German Academies of Sciences and Humanities, Board Member
- Baden-Württemberg: Connected (bwcon), Board Member
- Berliner Kreis – Wissenschaftliches Forum für Produktentwicklung e.V.
- CIRP International Institution for Production Engineering Research, Fellow
- Collegium of acatech, Board Member
- EAIM European Academy for Industrial Management
- Georg Schlesinger Prize, Board of Trustees
- Hochschulgruppe Arbeits- und Betriebsorganisation HAB, Vice Chairman
- IFPR International Foundation of Production Research, Secretary General
- Schlesinger Minerva Laboratory, Technion/Haifa, Advisory Council
- WGP German Academic Society for Production Engineering

Honorary doctorate from TU Munich

Medal of Merit TU Gdansk