

Professional Career

Prof. Dipl.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. **Holger Magel**, born in Neuburg/Donau in 1944. After doing A-levels in 1963 studies of Geodesy at the Munich Technische Hochschule up to 1968. After first experiences with a sworn engineer's office in Graz completion of the Bavarian Traineeship, and leadership of Land Consolidation measures in Upper and Lower Bavaria.

From 1975 to 1978 position of a curator of the newly established Chair of Rural Development and Land Consolidation at the Munich Technische Universität. In 1977 obtaining the degree of a Doktor-Ingenieur.

Acting with the Bavarian State Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Forestry in the Rural Development Department since 1978, in charge of building up the Bavarian Village Renewal Programme as well as establishing a new Method of Landscape Conservation and Regional Planning within Rural Development.

Since 1 Febr. 1995 Head of the Rural Development Department and Director General of the Bavarian Administration of Rural Development.

Since 1986 lectures for geodesists, civil engineers and geographers at the Munich Bundeswehr University (up to 1990) and the Munich Technische Universität. In 1993 appointment as an honorary professor for Rural Development at the Munich Technische Universität.

President of the Bavarian Academy "Ländlicher Raum" (Rural Areas) since 1994.

Advisor of the European Commission for Rural Development in Eastern Germany in 1992/93; chairman of the German Bund-Länder Team for Village Renewal from 1984 - 1995; member of the board of the European Association for Rural Development and Village Renewal.

Acting as an expert in Eastern- and South Europe as well as in Asia and South America. More than 200 expert publications and books on land consolidation, Village renewal and rural Development. Various lectures at home and abroad. Member of several scientific institutions.

President of the International Federation of Surveyors, 2003-2006.

Since 1 Jan. 1998 Full Professor and Director of Institute of Geodesy, GIS and Land Management at the Technische Universität München in Munich.