

Prof. Dr. Prof. h.c. Andreas Dengel

His Contributions and Achievements over 20 years

Prof. Dr. Prof. h.c. Andreas Dengel is Scientific Director at the German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence (DFKI GmbH) in Kaiserslautern where he leads the Smart Data & Knowledge Services Research Department. In 1993 he was appointed Professor at the Computer Science Department of the Technical University of Kaiserslautern (TU-KL) where he holds the chair of Knowledge-Based Systems.

The collaboration between Prof. Dr. Dengel and OPU began almost 20 years ago. Since 1997, he has hosted our faculty members three times for short and long-term research. He has also contributed to the promotion of student exchange between DFKI, TU-KL, and OPU. In the meantime, we have sent more than ten students to his laboratory at DFKI for internships and welcomed more than ten students from TU-KL as well. There is an OPU alumnus now working at DFKI as a researcher and continuing his research work in the Ph.D. course of TU-KL.

In 2008, Prof. Dr. Dengel co-founded the Institute for Document Analysis and Knowledge Science (IDAKS) at the OPU with Prof. Koichi Kise, Director of IDAKS. In 2009, he was appointed Visiting Professor (*Professor Kyakuin*) at the Department of Computer Science and Intelligent Systems, Graduate School of Engineering at OPU. He has worked hard to promote our education and research, supporting the OPU Graduate Course for System-inspired Leaders in Material Sciences since 2013, co-organizing seven IDAKS workshops, being a member of four Joint Research Projects with us, and delivering fifteen lectures at OPU.

In summary, Prof. Dr. Dengel has contributed to OPU for more than 20 years, and he will continue to play a significant role in the research and education activities of the university.

For these reasons, Osaka Prefecture University is pleased to award a Distinguished Honorary Professorship to Prof. Dr. Prof. h.c. Andreas Dengel.