

Vita in context with Japan

Born 1940 in Balingen (Wuerttemberg)

1960 – 1962 Studies for primary and lower secondary school teacher in Stuttgart

1962 – 1964 Teacher at a primary school

1964 – 1971 Doctoral studies (Education, Philosophy, History) at the Eberhard-Karl-University Tuebingen under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Otto Friedrich Bollnow.
(www.otto-friedrich-bollnow.de)

Doktor Thesis: Das pathosophische Denken Viktor von Weizsaeckers. Ein Beitrag der medizinischen Anthropologie zu einer anthropologisch fundierten Paedagogik (Mainz 1974)

1971 - 1975 Lecturer at Reitaku University, Hikarigaoka, 277-8686 Minami-Kashiwa, Chiba-ken,

Research cooperation with Institute of Moralogy, Hiroike Gakuen

1975 Lecturer: Special Education, College of Education, Cologne

1981 Professor, Chair for Education of mentally retarded and multiply disabled people, Heilpaedagogische Faculty, University of Cologne

1991 - 1997 Senator of the Faculty

1997 - 2003 Dean of the Faculty

2006 Retirement

Research and Training fields:

Epistemological and Anthropological approach to Special Needs Education and Didactics for mentally and severely multiply handicapped students.

Basic Communication including facilitated communication.

UN-Convention about the rights of disabled people and Inclusive Education. 2001 Founder of the Self-Advocacy-Group 'IncluCity Cologne' for adult handicapped people.

Adult Education, Gerontology.

Transnational and Transcultural Cooperation.

Coordinator of European Academic Projects:

ERASMUS coordinator since 1989 of Teacher and Students-Exchange-Programmes (Linz/Austria, Bologna/Italy, Ioannina/Greece, Malaga/Spain)

TEMPUS project coordinator with the University of Pskov (Russia) from 1997-2001

Partners: Bolgna/Italy, Arnheim-Nijmegen/Netherlands, Pskov/Russia and Cologne/Germany

INTEGER and EUMIE 2000-2004 European Master in Inclusive Education study course (Linz/Austria, Norway, Glasgow/Scotland, Arnheim-Nijmegen/The Netherlands, Malaga/Spain, Budapest/Hungary) published in 2004

International Academic Cooperation Contracts:

Japan - National Institute of Special Education (NISE), Nobi, 1999

- Hiroshima University, 2004

Korea - Daegu University, 2004

Activities in Japan:

1. 1986 one month JSPS fellowship at Niigata University (Prof. Makoto Tsuji)

2. Lecturing at different universities:

Tokyo University (Prof. Dr. Nakada, Motoaka); Waseda University (Prof. Suzuki, Yoko);
Hiroshima University (Prof. Ochiai, Toshiro)

3. Fukushima (2001-2004): 4 year coordinator in Cologne for the
Fukushima-Fureai-Wing-Program

4. 1998-2001 Research project with the National Institute of Special Education (NISE)

5. 1999 Key note speech at the 19th APEID Seminar on Special Education, Yokosuka

6. 2007 Key note speech: The International Forum for the End-of-Life Care for Children with
Cancer or other disease – Collaboration with Education, Nursing and Medical
Professionals (Prof. Takeda, Testuro, Wakayama University), Tokyo

7. 2009 Invitation to the ‘Second Conference on Moral Science; The Institute of Moralogy
(IOM) & Reitaku University, 24th-26th August, Kashiwa, Japan

8. Publishing work in Japan

- ドレーアー・ヴァルター、奥野保明訳

「広池千九郎博士へのオマージュ」 柏 1989 年

- 中田基昭編著、W.ドレーアー/B.フォルネフェルト共著

「重障児の現象学－孤立した生から真の人間関係へ」 東京 2003 年

- Dreher, Walther “The long way from Special (Needs) Education to Inclusive Education
for All – a process which asks for profound change”

In: Special Needs Education of the World (23, March 2009, NISE)

(My publications in Germany are here not mentioned)

9. 2008-2011 Appointment as International Consultant for the National Institute of
Special Education, Nobi (Japan): 「外国調査研究協力員」

International activities:

2008

- Connecting member of the Society for Organizational Learning (SoL), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Boston, USA
- Participation in the first Presencing Global Classroom Course of the MIT
<http://presencing.com>; <http://ottoscharmer.com>

2009

- Member of the Global Presencing Community
- February/March Participation in the third Global Classroom Course of the MIT

2012

- Contact with the Presencing Institute Global Community Japan
(<http://www.presencingcomjapan.org/about/index.html>)
(<http://www.presencingcomjapan.org/utheory/ubook.html>)
- Participation in the Second International Presencing Global Forum in Berlin

Cooperation with Japanisches Kulturinstitut Köln (JKI – Nihon Bunka Kaikan):

- Preparation and Realization of an Action Day during the Exhibition „Miyagi, Mariko: Nemunoki – Pädagogik ohne Mauern’ September 28th, 1991
- Support for realizing Chamber Music of compositions from Oe, Hikari, son of Oe, Kenzaburo, during the author’s reading stay at Cologne, June 7th, 1996 (Director Sakato)
- Collaboration at and Presenter during the conference:

Älter werden – neu anfangen. Die Gestaltung des Alterns in Japan und Deutschland.
Öffentliche transdisziplinäre Tagung 21.-22. November 2008 (Director Ueda)

JaDe Foundation:

Member of JaDe-Society since 1998 and since 2008 Secretary of the JaDe-Foundation
(Stiftung zur Förderung japanisch-deutscher Wissenschafts- und Kulturbeziehungen – JaDe-Stiftung)

Since 1975 married with Kyoko Nakamatsu; two daughters: Esther-Hatsume * 1975, Naohmi *1980

Esther-Hatsume is married with Thomas Scharmer. They have two children and live on Hof Dannwisch, a biodynamic  farm. www.hofdannwisch.de

Naohmi lives with her partner Mirco Lenke, Mia Leia Kyoko (*2017) und Adam Luke (*2011) in Berlin.