

Profile of the Speaker:

Prof. Hans Uszkoreit



Prof. Hans Uszkoreit is one of the leading figures in natural language processing, computational linguistics, and machine translation. He has been leading many projects funded by European Union, and currently coordinator of the European Network of Excellence META-NET.

Professor Uszkoreit is Professor of Computational Linguistics at Saarland University. At the same time he serves as Scientific Director at the German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence (DFKI) where he heads the DFKI Language Technology Lab. By cooptation he is also Professor of the Computer Science Department.

He studied Linguistics and Computer Science at the Technical University of Berlin. He co-founded the Berlin city magazine Zitty, for which he worked as an part-time editor and writer. In 1977, he received a Fulbright Grant for continuing his studies at the University of Texas at Austin. During his time in Austin he also worked as a research associate in a large machine translation project at the Linguistics Research Center. In 1984 Uszkoreit received his Ph.D. in linguistics from the University of Texas. From 1982 until 1986, he worked as a computer scientist at the Artificial Intelligence Center of SRI International in Menlo Park, Ca. While working at SRI, he was also affiliated with the Center for the Study of Language and Information at Stanford University as a senior researcher and later as a project leader.