

Obituary

Zdeněk Škvor

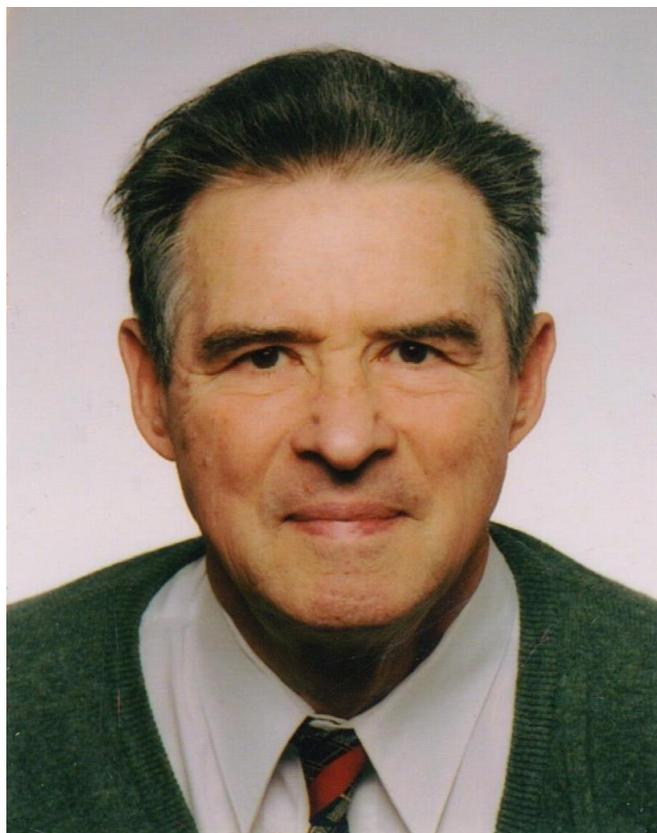
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Acoustician specialist of electroacoustic transducers, Zdeněk Škvor passed away peacefully on 24 March 2015 in a hospital in Praha at the age of 79. He was born in Pisek (Czech Republic) on 21 August 1935. He graduated in Electrical Engineering from the Czech Technical University in Prague (CVUT) in 1958. He was appointed Assistant Professor the same year and Professor in 1986. He was elected Emeritus Professor CVUT in 1998 and continued researches until he died, lastly in the frame of a European contract always in progress.

Zdeněk's professional contributions have been widely recognised. He published two books both in Czech and in English, and lots of scientific papers and patents. Among his key accomplishments are the modelling, the design, and the fabrication of several new electroacoustic transducers. He created post-graduate PhD studies in acoustics at CVUT and was appointed several times as Invited Professor in France. Among others, he was active in the Czech Acoustical Society and was Dean for Sciences and Researches at CVUT. His professional contributions have been widely recognised: notably the French Acoustical Society awarded him the "Foreign Medal" and the University of Prague awarded him the gold Falber medal.

By his former students and colleagues, Zdeněk is remembered as an outstanding teacher and scholar, noted for the clarity of his lectures. His co-workers were always delighted to work with him as he was such a warm and generous man. He enjoyed walking in the country and the mountains, spending time to admire and to paint landscapes and flowers (he knew lots of their names in several languages, including Latin). Many colleagues will miss him a lot. The European Acoustic Association presents his sincerest condolences to his wife Hana, his two children and his four grand-children.



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