

Franz Pichler, Prof. em Dr. – Curriculum Vitae

Franz Pichler learnt the profession of Telecommunication Technician at the School of Communication Technology, Graz, Austria (1950-1954).

Thereafter, until 1964, he worked for the Austrian Post Office, as a Telecommunication Technician. 1961 Maturity, as an external student, at the Realgymnasium Salzburg.

1962-1967 Studies of mathematics and physics at the University of Innsbruck. Conclusion of the doctorate with a thesis on the theory of the Walsh-Fourier transformation. Then research assistant at the chair of Mathematical Economics. 1968 he moved to the Graduate School for Social and Economic Sciences in Linz (later Johannes Kepler University), Chair for Applied Mathematics under Prof. Hans Knapp.

Guest scholarships at the University of Maryland, College Park, USA, and the National Physical Laboratory in England. 1972 habilitation in the field of Applied Mathematics and Mathematical Systems Theory. Already in the next year, 1973, he was appointed full professor for Systems Theory at the Johannes Kepler University, Linz. In 1975/6 And 1982/83 Pichler was invited as a guest professor to the State University of New York at Binghamton and 1992/93 to the University of Las Palmas, Spain. In the context of his professorship, the foci of his research were on Walsh functions, Mathematical Systems Theory and Cryptography.

Since his retirement in 2004, Pichler is continuing his research, mainly in Systems Theory and the History of Information Technology. This includes the editorship of the book series "Schriftenreihe für Geschichte der Naturwissenschaften und Technik" (series in history of science and technology).

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