

# Ernst Von GLASERSFELD

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[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ernst\\_von\\_Glasersfeld](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ernst_von_Glasersfeld)

## Philosopher and Cybernetician,

**Emeritus Professor of **Psychology** at the University of Georgia,  
Research Associate at the Scientific Reasoning Research Institute,  
Adjunct Professor in the Department of Psychology at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.**

Ernst Von Glasersfeld was born in Munich. At the start of the second world war, objecting to the acts in central Europe by central Europeans, he moved to Ireland (a neutral country) and took up Irish nationality. He retained this nationality until his death. After moving to the USA (in 1967) he also acquired US citizenship.

Member of the Board of Trustees of the **American Society of Cybernetics**,  
from which he received **the McCulloch Memorial Award** in 1991.

Member of the Scientific Board of the **Instituto Piaget, Lisbon**.

He spent large parts of his life in Ireland and Italy.

He was a proponent of **radical constructivism** and of *the “Ecology of Mind”*.

Ernst von Glasersfeld's answers on <http://www.oikos.org/>

An Exposition of Constructivism <http://www.oikos.org/constructivism.htm>

“Ecology of mind“ website: Remembering Ernst von Glasersfeld <http://www.oikos.org/vonen.htm>

**Radical constructivism: a way of knowing and learning**

<http://www.vonglasersfeld.com/>

<http://srri.umass.edu/vonglasersfeld>

**The University of Vienna maintains the definitive “Ernst von Glasersfeld” web site.**

He was also the creator of the first symbols of **the lexigram**,  
a device used in the field of **animal language**.