

Prof. Dr. Heinrich Kramer CIE, FILD, LiTG



Prof. Dr. Heinrich Kramer has been working with lighting design for more than 30 years. Since graduating in Electrical Engineering from RWTH Aachen, Germany in 1965 and obtaining his Ph.D degree from the Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany/D, he has devoted his efforts exclusively to lighting design.

From 1971 to 1980, he was head of the Marketing, Research and Development Department of a luminaire design manufacturer.

In 1980, together with H. T. von Malotki, he founded the LICHTDESIGN studio in Cologne, Germany and in 1990 he became the general manager of the company. During this time he designed artificial and natural lighting for projects with many famous architects such as: Hollein, Foster, Meier, Nouvel, Pei and Ungers.

Heinrich also owns several patents on luminaire design.

He was a founding member of the European Lighting Designers' Association (ELDA+) and was made a fellow member of the PLDA after a period of four years as its president (1995-1999).

Since 1988 he has been lecturing at the Faculty of Architecture of RWTH Aachen University. In 2000 he became an honorary professor at the same faculty, and since 2006 he has held the title of Professor Emeritus.

He is a member of several national and international committees responsible for the standardisation of light and lighting (DIN, LiTG, CIE).

Since 2014 Professor Kramer has been a founding member of the Federation of International Lighting Designers (FILD).