

Curriculum Vitae

Name: Reinhard Zimmermann

Date of Birth: 10 October 1952

Religion: Lutheran

Education:

1959-1963 Primary School

1963-1971 Wilhelm-Gymnasium Hamburg

1972-1976 Study of Law at the University of Hamburg

1972-1976 Recipient of a scholarship from the German National Academic Foundation (*Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes*)

Examinations:

September 1976 First State Examination (Law Degree) Hamburg

July 1978 Graduated Dr. iur., Hamburg

July 1979 Attorneys/Advocates Admission Examination (*Große Staatsprüfung*)

Professional Career:

1976-1979 Research assistant and lecturer, Institute of Roman Law and Comparative Legal History, Hamburg

1976, 1979, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1995 2004, 2010 Organization of summer school seminars of the German National Academic Foundation (*Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes*), Alpbach, Völs am Schlern, Molveno, Olang and La Colle sur Loup

1980 Hochschulassistent (assistant professor), Institute of Roman Law, Private Law and Tax Law, University of Cologne

1981-1988 W.P. Schreiner Professor of Roman and Comparative Law, University of Cape Town, and Head of Department

1983-1987 Deputy Dean and Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Cape Town

1984-1986	Vice President and President of the Society of South African Teachers of Law
1986	President of the Society of South African Teachers of Law (resigned 18 August 1986)
1988-2018	Chair of Private Law, Roman Law and Comparative Legal History at the University of Regensburg (Bavaria)
October 1990	Visiting professor, University of Edinburgh
March/April 1991	Visiting professor, Tulane Law School, New Orleans
December 1991	Awarded the degree of LL.D. “for distinguished published work” by the University of Cape Town
1992-2002	Special Tutor (Vertrauensdozent), German National Academic Foundation (<i>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes</i>)
1992-1994	Deputy Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Regensburg
March/April 1993	Visiting professor, University of Stellenbosch
Fall/Winter 1993	Max Rheinstein Visiting professor, University of Chicago School of Law
Spring 1994	Robbins Collection Fellow, University of California at Berkeley
1994-1996	Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Regensburg
1996-1999	Visiting Professor, University of Stellenbosch
January 1996	Award of the Leibniz Prize of the German Research Association (<i>Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft</i>)
from 1996	Member of the Commission on European Contract Law
May 1997	Election as Foreign Member of the Royal Dutch Academy of Arts and Sciences
June 1997	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, University of Chicago
Spring 1998	Visiting Professor, Yale Law School
Academic Year 1998/1999	A.L. Goodhart Professor of Legal Science, University of Cambridge and Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge
1999-2005	Honorary Professor, University of Cape Town
1999-2014	Visiting Professor, University of Edinburgh

February 1999	Election as Ordinary Member of the Bavarian Academy of Arts and Sciences
1999-2011	Chairman of the Division of Private Law and Member of Council of the Association of Comparative Law
2000-2004	Research Assessment Adviser, German Research Association (<i>Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft</i>)
Fall 2000	Scholar in Residence, Cornell Law School
February 2001	Election to Corresponding Fellowship of the Royal Society of Edinburgh
from 2001	Member of the Council of the German Association of Professors in Private Law
from February 2002	Academic Member of the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg
2002-2022	Director at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg (Managing Director 2002-2004, 2011-2013, 2017-2020)
April 2002	Election as Foreign Member of the Accademia delle Scienze di Torino
Juli 2002	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, University of Aberdeen
Juli 2002	Election as Corresponding Fellow of the British Academy
February 2003	Election as Ordinary Member of the Goettingen Academy of Sciences and Humanities in Lower Saxony
2004-2011	Member and Deputy Chairman of the board of governors, German National Academic Foundation (<i>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes</i>)
2004-2008	Member of the Assessment Panel for Law, German Research Association (<i>Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft</i>)
2006-2021	Member of the Executive Board of the Association Internationale des Sciences Juridiques/International Association of Legal Science
January 2006	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, University of Maastricht
Spring 2006	Visiting Fellow, All Souls College, Oxford
2006-2016	Member of the Unidroit Working Group on Principles of International Commercial Contracts

April 2006	Election as Corresponding Member of the Austrian Academy of Arts and Sciences
June 2006	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, University of Lund
2006-2010	Chairman of the Human Sciences Section of the Max Planck Society
December 2006	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, University of Cape Town
Spring 2007	New Zealand Legal Research Foundation Distinguished Fellow, Auckland
2007-2019	Member of Common Room, All Souls College, Oxford
June 2007	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, University of Edinburgh
2007-2011	Vice-Chairman of the Association of Professors in Private Law
October 2007	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, University of Lleida
from March 2008	Affiliate Professor, Bucerius Law School, Hamburg
March 2009	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, University of Stellenbosch
2009-2013	Vice-Chairman of the Association of Comparative Law
2010-2017	Chairman of the Scientific Council, University of Cologne
June 2010	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, McGill University, Montréal
2010-2023	Chairman of the Scientific Commission of the Max Planck Society
2011-2023	Elected Senator of the Max Planck Society
2011-2015	Chairman of the Association of Professors in Private Law (<i>Zivilrechtslehrervereinigung</i>)
from September 2011	Senator of the European Law Institute
from December 2011	President of the German National Academic Foundation (<i>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes</i>)
2012-2023	Member of the Executive Committee of the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg
2014-2022	Chairman of the Association of Comparative Law (<i>Gesellschaft für Rechtsvergleichung</i>)
from September 2014	Member of the Academia Europaea

from September 2014	Honorary Professor, University of Edinburgh
November/December 2014	Professor Visitante, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
from September 2017	Speaker of the Senate, European Law Institute
January 2018	Award of the Medal of Honour of the University of Cologne
from October 2019	Member of Senior Common Room, Corpus Christi College, Oxford
June 2021	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin
December 2022	Awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, Universidad de Chile, Santiago
June 2023	Awarded the international “Premio Antonio Feltrinelli” by the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, Rome
from January 2024	Honorary Professor, University of Stellenbosch
April 2024	Award of the Federal Order of Merit, First Class, by the Federal President
September 2024	Appointment to Honorary Membership of the Association of Comparative Law (<i>Gesellschaft für Rechtsvergleichung</i>)