

# WERNER SOBEMUL .



Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E.h. Werner Sobek

- 1953 Born in Aalen/Germany
- 1974 - 1980 Studied Civil Engineering and Architecture at the University of Stuttgart/Germany
- 1980 - 1987 PhD in structural engineering
- 1987 - 1991 Structural engineer at Schlaich, Bergemann & Partner, Stuttgart/Germany
- 1991 - 1994 Professor at the University of Hanover/Germany (successor to Bernd Tokarz)
- 1992 Founded the *Werner Sobek Group*
- since 1994 Professor at the University of Stuttgart/Germany (successor to Frei Otto);  
Director of the Institute for Lightweight Structures
- since 1998 Proof engineer for all types of structures and materials in Baden-Württemberg
- 1998 - 2006 Member of the board of the Chamber of Engineers of Baden-Württemberg
- 2000 Founded the Institute for Lightweight Structures and Conceptual Design ILEK;  
Shanghai Engineering License
- 2000 - 2001 Visiting professor at the University of Graz/Austria
- 2001 Structural Engineering License for the State of Illinois
- 2002 Architectural License for Germany and honorary member of the BDA  
member of the German Academy for Urban Development and Environmental  
Planning
- 2003 Peer Review Engineer in Chicago/Illinois
- 2004 Exhibition 'show me the future - engineering and design by werner sobek',  
Munich/Germany
- 2006 Member of the Council on Research and Technology of the University of  
Graz/Austria;  
President of the Academic Council of the HafenCity University,  
Hamburg/Germany

## WIRKUNGSBEREICH

- 2007 Visiting professor at Harvard University, Cambridge/Massachusetts;  
Member of the board of supervisory board of the Federal Foundation  
for Building Design
- 2008 President of the German Sustainable Building Council (DGNB)  
Visiting professor at the aac, Hamburg/Germany  
Mies van der Rohe Professor at the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT), Chicago
- 2009 Honorary doctorate of the Technical University of Dresden

### **Important awards include:**

the DuPont Benedictus Award, the Design Award of the Industrial Fabrics Association International, the European Gluelam Award, the Fritz Schumacher Award of the Alfred Töpfer Foundation, the 'Building of the Year' Award of the Association of Architects and Engineers of Hamburg, the SEAOL Award of Structural Excellence, the RIBA Award, the Hugo Haering Award, the Auguste Perret Prize of the UIA, the Fazlur Khan Medal and the Balthasar Neumann Award.