

Carmen Stadelhofer

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Carmen Stadelhofer is Pedagogist, Romanist and Germanist. She worked from 1984 until her retirement at the end of 2012 at Ulm University, since 1994 as the head of the Zentrum für Allgemeine Wissenschaftliche Weiterbildung der Universität Ulm - ZAWiW (Centre for General Scientific Continuing Education at Ulm University). Her main task was the coordination of research projects (action research) on regional, national and international level. Research focus: lifelong learning for older adults, intergenerational learning, new media in general adult education.

In 1995 she initiated the international network Learning in Later Life - LiLL (www.lill-online.net) and in 2008 the Educational Network Danube-Workers. In this context she was responsible for different educational projects in the Danube Region. In March 2014 she founded with colleagues from different Danube countries the international association Danube-Workers for Europe - a Network for Learning in Later Life, Social Participation and Intergenerational Dialogue -DANET. (www.danube-workers.eu).

Currently she heads the institute ILEU e.V. (www.ileu.net) founded in 2002, she is President of DANET e.V. and a Member of the Board of the Danube Civil Society Forum - DSCF in the frame of the Danube-Strategy of the European Commission for the Danube Region - EUSDR (www.danube-region.eu).

In November 2013 she initiated and since then coordinates the very successful Danube project Die gewollte Donau/The Wanted Danube (www.thewanteddanube.eu) where until July 2014 in eight Danube Region countries more than six thousand individuals of all ages and ethnical and social background and a lot of organisations participated. This project had been awarded in July 2015 by the European Parliament the European Citizen's Prize 2015, and also in July 2015 by the Europa-Union Germany the Europa-Lilie /Lily of Europe 2015 in the "Best Citizen's Commitment" category.

For her professional achievements Carmen Stadelhofer had received in 2009 the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany, in 2013 the title of Honorary Citizen of the City of Ulm and in 2015 the Medal of Ulm University.

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