

Milestones in the development of the DIPF

- November 16, 1950** **HIPF is founded**
The DIPF is founded as the Hochschule für internationale pädagogische Forschung (higher education institute for international educational research) by the federal state of Hesse, financially supported by the United States of America.
- October 25, 1951** **HIPF becomes public foundation with legal capacity**
Following a resolution by the government of Hesse, the Hochschule is recognized as a public foundation with legal capacity.
- 1951 until 1956** **Prof. Erich Hylla is the first director of the Hochschule**
- 1963** **Königsteiner Staatsabkommen**
HIPF is accepted to the so-called “Königsteiner Staatsabkommen“, an agreement of the federal states (agreement of the states on financing research institutes).
- 1963** **HIPF becomes DIPF**
The HIPF changes its name to “Deutsches Institut für Internationale Pädagogische Forschung/German Institute for International Educational Research“
The DIPF receives a new constitution defining the foundation’s objective in terms of empirical educational research with practical relevance, in an international comparison.
- January 1977** **DIPF joins the “Blue List“**
According to the framework agreement for research promotion (28.11.1975), the DIPF is jointly funded by the federal government and the Länder states, thus it is enrolled in the “blue list” of originally 46 non-university research institutions (printed on blue sheets).
- From 1979** **From 1979 on The Science Council evaluates institutions on the “blue list“ for their national relevance and the overarching state interests on a regular basis.**
- 1990** **The “blue list“ becomes Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz**
81 institutions from the „blue list“ found a working group and in 1993 they change their name to Wissenschaftsgemeinschaft Blaue Liste /Science Association Blue List, the predecessor of the Wissenschaftsgemeinschaft Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz (Leibniz-Gemeinschaft)/Leibniz Association.
Since 2001 The Leibniz Institutes are no longer evaluated by the Science Council.but by the Senate of the Leibniz Association, an independent board.

- From 1992** In the early 1990s the DIPF integrates parts of the former “Akademie der Pädagogischen Wissenschaften der DDR“ (former GDR academy of pedagogical sciences): central library, information and documentation
- 1993** **DIPF co-operates with Goethe-University Frankfurt**
The co-operation between the Johann Wolfgang Goethe-University and DIPF intends to strengthen an exchange of experiences, Appointments and research projects are jointly conducted and young academics are promoted collaboratively. More co-operation contracts follow, e.g. with Darmstadt University, Humboldt-University in Berlin and other universities.
- 1995** The center for Information and Documentation is set up. Its head is Dr. Irmgard Lanckenau.
- 1996/1997** **Evaluation and transformation to a service institute**
Following an evaluation by the Science Council, the DIPF is obliged to perform certain changes including a reduction of its many boards, strengthening the Advisory Council, slimming down the managing structure, a scholarly re-orientation and reduction of staff. Its funding is continued in terms of a research institute providing services.
- 2000** Dr. Beate Tröger becomes director of the educational information services, the Information Center for Education is set up.
- 2004** **“Recommended for continued funding“**
The senate of the Leibniz Association evaluates the DIPF in a positive way. The quality of its research is assessed as good and its services are assessed as very good.

Directors of the DIPF

- 1951 until 1956 Prof. Erich Hylla is the first director of the higher education institution
- 1964 until 1970 Prof. Dr. Walter Schultze
- 1971 until 1975 Prof. Dr. Hasso von Recum
- 1976 until 1977 Prof. Dr. Theodor Hanf
- 1978 until 1982 Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Mitter
- 1982 until 1985 Prof. Dr. Hermann Avenarius
- 1986 Prof. Dr. Bernhard Kraak
- 1986/87 Prof. Dr. Hermann Avenarius (by commission)
- 1987 until 1994 Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Mitter
- 1995 until 1998 Prof. Dr. Hermann Avenarius
- 1998 until 2004 Prof. Dr. Lutz Eckensberger
- 2004 until 2008 Prof. Dr. Eckhard Klieme
- 1. Juli 2008 Prof. Dr. Marc Rittberger wird Direktor des DIPF.