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## **Obituary**

Prof Guddat studied during the period 1960-65 in Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, where he obtained his Diploma Mathematik. In 1965 he started his research work visiting the University of Bucharest. In 1967 Jürgen obtained the Promotion (Dr. rer. nat.) and in 1974 the Promotion B in der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, where he worked as researcher up to 1971. He became Hochschuldozent in 1971, professor in 1977 and since 1993 he was the chair (Professor C4) of Mathematik/Optimierung.

Very early he got involved in international projects visiting the university of Leningrad as a

researcher, before his afterwards universities of Czechoslovakia, Austria, professor of Universidad de was not very careful activities. Hence, consulting work and achievements got in the memories of friends.

In his web page appear only **Parametrische** quoted the participation of Gomez (Cuba), P. Mbunga (Costa Rica) and his Nowack. The reported Prof. Dra. S. Allende Habana), Prof. F. Guerra Americas, Puebla), Prof. H. Aachen) and Prof. Dr. J.-J. (Technische Hochschule was no true. In Cuba the Optimization was working



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(Angola), C. Solano
assistant Dr. D.
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another in different projects with Humboldt university under the umbrella of joint projects on Applications of Mathematics promoted as Research Problems of the Ministerio de Educación Superior , Cuba. They covered research in optimization and mathematical statistics with universities of various socialist countries. These projects supported the installation of a Laboratory in Universidad de La Habana, when the lack of computing technologies was critic. DAAD gives the economic support. Different projects projects, promoted by Prof. Guddat, supported the participation of a group of Latin American professors-researchers in conferences around de world. He mentioned only "Parametric Optimization and Related Topics" (V (1997 in Tokyo), VI (1999 in Dubrovnik)); he series "Approximation and Optimization in the Caribbean" (IV (1997 in Caracas), V (1999 in Pointe a Pitre, Guadeloupe). But these series took place regularly in different countries. We remember meeting with these colleagues, some kind of research network, in La Habana, Egypt, Cienfuegos, Guatemala, Puebla, Dominican Republic, Mongolia among other places. We were an active group of Alumni of DAAD and Jürgen every year managed to obtain DAD's support for supporting the travel and local expenses of a group of professors from Cuba, Mexico, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Nicaragua etc., to every event. of them.

In He was the Chairman of the Program Committee of the Cuban series International Conference on Operations Research`` and the homonymic Workshop, that are taking place in La Habana regularly. La Habana yearly was a place of meeting of "Guddat's Alumni". Costa Rica also organized a meeting regularly with the same source of support of Alumni's.

His collaboration in the organization of the research in optimization in developing countries was remarkable. He not only acted as advisor but promoted that other professors to accept aspirants.

He highlighted in his web site as his more important activities as editor of different journal and series his role in the Series "Approximation and Optimization", with Peter Lang, and in the editorial committees of Yugoslav Journal of Operations Research, Journal of Convex Analysis and Revista Investigacion Operacional.

The work of Jürgen was a key for the advance not only of the work in optimization but in other research areas. He promoted the development of PhD thesis in probability and statistic and numeric analysis of professors of Cuba and of other developing countries, as Viet Nam. He was also in charge of promoting that Cuban students of mathematics went to study in different German universities. That was the culmination of the collaboration between Cuba and the German Democratic Republic in the development of mathematical skills in Cuban students. Previously, the programs of mathematics were modernized in primary and high school. Talented students with mathematical skills were selected, and the contingent in postgraduate studies, linked with the work in Applied Mathematics was coordinated by professors of Humboldt University, within the frame of the research collaboration with Universidad de LA Habana. The heads were the professors Olaf Bunke and Jürgen Guddat.

With the collapse of the system of socialist countries in Europe, the collaboration with our counterparts also collapsed. Students in Germany returned to Cuba and were inserted in the Cuban university system. Thanks to the competence of a body of professors with PhD's, and with studies in Humboldt university mainly, made that the transit was not traumatic, either for coming students and for Cubans studying mathematics in the universities.

Cuba had cooperation with different universities of socialist countries of Europe and, after the ending of the socialist block, it practically disappeared. Jürgen Guddat is to be distinguished also for maintaining the cooperation with Cuba, which continued steadily, now supported not by intergovernmental treatises, but by direct projects supported by the Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD). The merit of maintaining high-level research in optimisation, statistics and numerical analysis is to be given to him.

Another facet of Jürgen was his kind personality. He never changed his mood even in the anguishing period of the changes in Germany. His charisma made him to be not only a collaborator and /or guide, but a close friend of all his partners. We will also remember the parties organized by him in his apartment of FOCSA, La Habana on he week ends with his funny way of dancing of Salsa, Rumba and Guaguanco with a Mariachi style, as well as his elegancy dancing waltzes. He is unforgettable for his friends.