



At the ICOTOM 20 (International Conference on Textures of Materials) in Metz/France, Heinz-Günter Brokmeier's many years of work in the field of texture analysis were honoured with a special symposium on 3 July 2024.

At the same time, it was the 80th anniversary of texture research at Clausthal University of Technology, which began with the appointment of Professor Günter Wassermann in 1944. As shown in the lecture by Heinz-Günter Brokmeier,

**“A century of crystallographic texture research
- with a special focus on the TU Clausthal -“**

Clausthal's texture research has since made an outstanding contribution to the international development in all fields of texture analysis. In addition to Günter Wassermann, Johanna Grewen (the first female professor at Clausthal University of Technology) and, in particular, Hans Joachim Bunge should be mentioned. The series of ICOTOM conferences was initiated by Günter Wassermann in Clausthal-Zellerfeld in 1968. Prof. Bevis Hutchinson, one of the international participants of ICOTOM 1, was welcomed at the Brokmeier Symposium. ICOTOM 10, organised by Hans Joachim Bunge, also took place in Clausthal-Zellerfeld. A very special cooperation between Clausthal University of Technology and the Laboratory of Study of Textures and Application to Materials (LETAM) of the Université de Lorraine / Metz has proven itself from 1976 with the appointment of Prof. Bunge (IMM-TU Clausthal) to the present day. Many awards were granted to Clausthal texture researchers



The programme committee's decision to hold a 'Heinz Günter Brokmeier' symposium honours the work and current position of the TEXMAT working group in the field of texture research. TEXMAT (Texture Analysis in Materials Science) is well known for its contribution to the further development of neutron and synchrotron measurement techniques and for organising the TEXMAT Texture School. TEXMAT is well networked in the international text texture community.

With a total of 14 contributions from long-time companions, former doctoral students, but also from young aspiring researchers, individual aspects of Heinz Günter Brokmeier's many years of work were presented. Particular mention should be made of a 40-year collaboration with Prof. Werner Skrotzki/TU Dresden, a 30-year collaboration with Prof. Raul Bolmaro/Argentina, a 20-year collaboration with Prof. Mingyo Zheng/PR China and numerous other collaborations with Chinese and Indian colleagues.