



European Graduate School EGS

European Graduate School EGS appoints new Provost

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The Board of Trustees of the European Graduate School Foundation EGSF has elected Professor Dr. Hubertus von Amelunxen as the new provost of the EGS effective October 1st 2013, succeeding Professor Dr. Paolo J. Knill, initiator and co-founder of the EGS.

Mr. von Amelunxen is currently the president of the Academy of Fine Arts in Braunschweig. Previously, he has been the provost of the Ecole Européenne Supérieure de l'Image in Angoulême / Poitiers in France and the founding principal of the International School of New Media (ISNM) in Lübeck. Mr. von Amelunxen was the senior curator at the CCA Canadian Centre for Architecture in Montreal and a visiting professor at the University of California in Santa Cruz. In 2003 he was elected member of the Academy of Arts in Berlin. He has been teaching Media Philosophy and Cultural Studies at the EGS since 2001, at the Media and Communication division. Mr. von Amelunxen studied French and German literature and art history in Marburg and Paris and received his PhD at the University of Mannheim. He is the author of numerous books and articles, and was curator of international exhibitions.

Hubertus von Amelunxen comments: "I am meeting my new task in Switzerland with great joy and respect."

Mr. von Amelunxen succeeds the founding provost of the EGS, Professor Paolo J. Knill, who has headed and formed the EGS since its founding in 1994. He has brought the institution to international recognition and appreciation. Paolo Knill is the co-founder of the field of Expressive Arts. Expressive Arts presents a method for counselling, conflict management and therapy which involves disciplines of contemporary art in the counselling process. Paolo Knill, who is 81 years old, will continue to teach as a professor at the EGS and to develop his field of teaching and research on an international level. Paolo Knill says: "Hubertus von Amelunxen brings a wealth of experience and I am very pleased that with him the EGS is to get a worthy new head."

The European Graduate School EGS is an academic institution with two divisions, Media and Communication and Arts, Health and Society, accredited by the Canton of Valais, Switzerland. EGS offers part-time university studies with master (MA) and doctoral degrees (Ph.D), as well as further education courses. The EGS is based in Saas-Fee, Switzerland and has its offices in Leuk-Stadt, Switzerland.
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