

Valéria Csépe – Curriculum Vitae

Valéria Csépe got her degree in psychology at the Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) in 1976. She started to work as young researcher in the Institute of Psychology of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Her main research interest included basic auditory perception, auditory event analysis, pre-cognitive and cognitive processes. Her most cited publications include works on electrophysiological correlates and animal model of the pre-attentive processing of acoustic stimuli. She got her 'university doctor' title in 1981 and another one, equivalent to PhD, in 1992. She made her habilitation in 2001 and defended the DSc title at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in 2002.

In 1990 she started her research scholarship as Humboldt scholar at the University of Münster. She worked in an international team studying the human acoustic perception by using electroencephalography and magneto-encephalography. After returning back to Budapest she reorganized the human electrophysiological laboratory where she started a new line of basic and clinical research. In 2000 she established a new research group called Developmental Psychophysiology where she and her young coworkers started to study the development of general acoustic as well as that of speech perception, language, reading, number processing, mental calculation and music.

Since 2005 she is professor of cognitive psychology at the Department of Cognitive Psychology of ELTE established by her. She has and had many PhD students, Hungarians and foreigners as well. She is head of the Cognitive Psychology PhD Program of the ELTE Doctoral School of Psychology and member of the Psycholinguistics and Neuroscience program of the Zagreb University.

She has nearly 200 publications that include journal articles, monographs, edited books, book chapters and conference papers in English and Hungarian. She is member of many national and international scientific organizations, editorial board of scientific journals. She has been decorated with the Knight's Cross Order of the Republic of Hungary and was given different awards for outstanding scientific achievement.

She is corresponding member of the Hungarian Academy of Science. She was elected in 2008 as deputy secretary general and first female chief executive officer of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. She is married and has two sons.