



German Acoustical Society (DEGA)

The German Acoustical Society (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Akustik, DEGA) was founded in 1988. Since then it enjoyed a steady growth. Presently there are about 1,800 personal members (individuals) and more than 60 sustaining members (companies).

DEGA members are active in science, research, and also in consulting and manufacturing.

DEGA is the main organizer of the Annual German Conference on Acoustics, called "DAGA". With more than 1,000 delegates and more than 500 contributions, DAGA is perceived as a highlight of acoustics in Germany every year.

Furthermore, DEGA organizes symposia and training courses in specialized fields of acoustics.



DEGA members are active in 11 technical committees, labelled as follows:

Building and Room Acoustics,
Electro-Acoustics,
Vehicle Acoustics,
Auditory Acoustics,
Noise (Effects and Protection),
Education in Acoustics,
Musical Acoustics,
Physical Acoustics,
Acoustics of Speech,
Flow Acoustics, and
Ultrasound.



These technical committees organize specialized workshops and symposia in their fields,

and they are active in promoting standardization and education.

Another subsection of DEGA is the "Noise Control Association of DEGA" (ALD), providing public information and technical advice in all fields of noise abatement (www.dega-akustik.de/ald)



As a special event, DEGA coordinates the annual "Noise Awareness Day" in Germany, high-profile in media, with more than 100 single events (www.tag-gegen-laerm.de).



Once per year, DEGA awards the "Helmholtz Medal" for lifetime achievements in acoustics, the "Lothar Cremer Award" for outstanding achievements of young academics, and Student Awards.

Furthermore, DEGA supports students and young researchers with several travel grants.

DEGA members receive the European journal "Acta Acustica / Acustica", the newsletter "EAA Nuntius", the society newsletter "Sprachrohr", and ALD members receive the German "Journal for Noise Abatement".

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