János Kornai Curriculum Vitae

Personal

Born: January 21, 1928, Budapest, Hungary

Nationality: Hungarian

Married: Zsuzsa Dániel, economist

Three children: Gábor Kornai, Judit Weibull and András Kornai

Current Posts

Professor of Economics, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1986-, Allie S. Freed Professor of Economics, 1991-, Emeritus, 2002-

Honorary Professor Emeritus, Corvinus University of Budapest, 2011-

Past Posts

Officer, Hungarian Democratic Youth Association, Budapest, 1945-1947

Economic Editor, Newspaper "Szabad Nép", Budapest, 1947-1955

Research Fellow, Institute of Economics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, 1955-1958

Economist, Planning Bureau of Light Industry, Budapest, 1958-1960

Head of Department, Institute of Textile Industry, Budapest, 1960-1963

Head of Department, Computing Center, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, 1963-1967

Research Professor, Institute of Economics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, 1967-1993

Permanent Fellow, Collegium Budapest, Institute for Advanced Study, Budapest, 1992-, Emeritus, 2002-

Degrees

Candidate of Sciences (C.Sc.), Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, 1956 Doctor of Economics (Dr.Oec.), Karl Marx University of Economics, Budapest, 1961 Doctor of Sciences (Dr.Sc.), Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, 1965

Visiting Professorships

London School of Economics, 1964

University of Sussex, 1966

Stanford University, 1968

Yale University, Cowles Foundation, 1970

Princeton University, 1972

Stanford University, 1973

Stockholm University, 1976-1977

University of Geneva, 1981

University of Munich, 1983

Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, 1983-1984

Harvard, F.W. Taussig Research Professor, 1984-1985

Learned Societies

Econometric Society, Fellow, 1968, President, 1978

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American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Honorary Member, 1972

Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Corresponding Member, 1976, Full Member, 1982

American Economic Association, Honorary Member, 1976

British Academy, Corresponding Member, 1978

Royal Swedish Academy, Foreign Member, 1980

Finnish Academy of Sciences, Foreign Member, 1985

European Economic Association, President, 1987

J.S. McDonnel Foundation, USA, Distinguished Fellow, 1988

European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy, Honorary President, 1989-

Academia Europeae, Member, 1990

Hungarian Social Science Association, President, 1992

Russian Academy of Sciences, Foreign Member, 1994

European Association for Comparative Economic Studies, Honorary Member, 1996

Association of New Institutional Economists of Hungary, Honorary President, 2004

International Economic Association, President, 2002-2005

Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Foreign Member, 2006

World Interdisciplinary Network for Institutional Research, honorary president, 2013

National Academy of Sciences (USA), foreign Associate, 2016

Széchenyi Academy of Literature and Art, honorary member, 2018

Honorary Degrees

University of Paris, Honorary Doctor, 1978

University of Posnan, Poland, Honorary Doctor, 1978

University of London, Honorary Doctor, 1990

University of Amsterdam, Honorary Doctor, 1992

Budapest University of Economics, Honorary Doctor, 1992

University of Wroclaw, Honorary Doctor, 1993

University of Torino, Honorary Doctor, 1993

University of Debrecen, Honorary Doctor, 2001

Stockholm School of Economics, Honorary Doctor, 2001

Varna University of Economics, Honorary Doctor, 2003

Veszprem University, Honorary Doctor, 2003

University of Pécs, Honorary Doctor, 2003

Central European University, Honorary Doctor, 2004

Krakow University of Economics, Honorary Doctor, 2008

Pan-European University, Bratislava, Honorary Doctor, 2013

Prizes and Other Honors

Academic Award, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, 1970, 1974

F.E. Seidman Distinguished Award in Political Economy, (USA), 1982

Hungarian State Prize, 1983

Alexander von Humboldt Prize, Federal Republic of Germany, 1983

Erasmus Medal, Academia Europeae, 1992

Main Prize and Ferenc Deák Prize, Foundation "Pro Renovanda Cultura Hungariae", 1994

Széchenyi Prize, Republic of Hungary, 1994

John von Neumann Medal, awarded by the student body of Rajk László College for Advanced Study, Budapest University of Economics, 1997

Officier dans l'Ordre national de la Légion d'Honneur, Republique Française, 1997

Prize for Advancing the Repute of Hungarians, Hungarian Government, 1997

Order of Merit of the Hungarian Republic, Commander's Cross, 2002

Honorary Citizen of Budapest Capital City, 2005

Prima Primissima Prize (Hungary), 2005

Order of Merit of the Hungarian Republic, Commander's Cross with the Star, 2007

Lifetime Achievement Award, Hungarian Economic Association, 2008

'The Twenty Year Old Republic' Award, Hungarian Government, 2009

Leontief Medal (Russia), 2010

Grand Cross Order of Merit of the Republic of Hungary, 2010

Hazám Prize ('My Country'), 2013

Open Society Prize, Central European University, 2018

Public Service

United Nations, Committee for Development Planning, Vice Chairman, 1972-1977

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Scientific Advisory Council, Member, 1989-1994

Hungarian National Bank (Central Bank), Member of the Board, 1995-2001