

SHORT BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Haizhou Li

Haizhou Li received the B.Sc, M.Sc, and Ph.D degrees in electrical and electronic engineering from South China University of Technology, Guangzhou, China in 1984, 1987, and 1990 respectively. He joined the Institute for Infocomm Research in Singapore in 2003, where he is now the Research Director of the Institute, the Principal Scientist and the Department Head of Human Language Technology. He is also an adjunct Professor at the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, the National University of Singapore.

Dr. Li has taught in South China University of Technology in Guangzhou, China (1990-1994), Nanyang Technological University in Singapore (since 2006), and University of Eastern Finland (2009). He was a Visiting Professor at CRIN/INRIA in France (1994-1995). Prior to joining I2R, he was a Research Manager in Apple-ISS Research Centre (1996-1998), Research Director of Lernout & Hauspie Asia Pacific (1999-2001), Vice President of InfoTalk Corp. Ltd (2001-2003). He co-founded Baidu-I2R Research Centre in Singapore (2012). Dr. Li was known for his technical contributions to several award-winning speech products, such as Apple's Chinese Dictation Kits for Macintosh (1996) and Lernout & Hauspie's Speech-Pen-Keyboard Text Entry Solution for Asian languages (1999). He was the architect of a series of major technology deployments that include TELEFIQS voice-automated call centre service in Singapore Changi International Airport (2001), voiceprint engine for Lenovo A586 Smartphone (2012), and Baidu Music Search (2013).

Dr. Li's research interests include automatic speech recognition, natural language processing and information retrieval. He has published over 250 technical papers in international journals and conferences. Dr. Li is currently the Editor-in-Chief of IEEE/ACM Transactions on Audio, Speech and Language Processing (2015-2017). He is a Member of IEEE Speech and Language Processing Technical Committee (2013-2015), the Vice President of the International Speech Communication Association (ISCA, 2013-2014), the President of Asia Pacific Signal and Information Processing Association (APSIPA, 2015-2016). Dr. Li served as the Local Arrangement Chair of SIGIR 2008 and ACL-IJCNLP 2009, and General Chair of ACL 2012 and INTERSPEECH 2014.

Dr. Li was the recipient of National Infocomm Awards 2002, Institution of Engineers Singapore (IES) Prestigious Engineering Achievement Award 2013, and President's Technology Award 2013 in Singapore. He was named one of the two Nokia Visiting Professors in 2009 by Nokia Foundation and an IEEE Fellow in 2014 for leadership in multilingual, speaker and language recognition. Dr. Li is a member of ACL, ACM, IEICE and ISCA.