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Gunter Wyszecki was born in Germany. In his late twenties he moved to Canada where he joined the National Research Council of Canada and became involved in fundamental colour science. His scientific work resulted in three books under which were the "Bible of colour science": Colour Science (1982), written together with W. S. Stiles, which remains in print today. In 1979, he received the Judd Award of the International Colour Association for his contributions to the science of colour. Much of Wyszecki's time and interest was devoted to the work of the CIE. He was Chairman of the CIE Colorimetry Committee for many years during a period of great activity of that committee. He was president of the CIE from 1983 until his untimely death in 1985.