

Prof. Jan Biliszczuk was born on January 10, 1949 in Bronice, Zielona Góra Voivodeship as the son of Mikołaj and Helena, maiden name Rasławska.

In 1972 he graduated from the Faculty of Civil Engineering, Wrocław University of Technology and received MSc degree in civil engineering, in the specialization of bridge engineering. In 1978 he received PhD degree in technical sciences. In 1987 he became Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Civil Engineering, Wrocław University of Technology. In 1997 he received Full Professor title. Since 1972 he

has been working at the Wrocław University of Technology.

At the moment he is a member of the Committee for Civil Engineering, Polish Academy of Sciences and the chairman of Concrete Structures Section.

He is also a member of international organisations *IABSE* and *fib*. He was a scientific committee member of several international conferences.

He is a co-owner of the Research & Design Office MOSTY-WROCŁAW.

Jan Biliszczuk is the author or co-author of over 300 publications, including textbooks "Cable-stayed Bridges" (2005) and "Handbook of International Bridge Engineering" (2014). He is the designer or co-designer of more than 50 new bridges and the author of 37 bridge renovation projects. He is also the author of 328 expert opinions on bridges. Among his works there are innovative structures, e.g. cable-stayed glued timber footbridge crossing the Dunajec River in Sromowce Niżne, built in 2006 (bridge with the longest 90 m span in the world – in this class of structures), and the Rędziński Bridge along the motorway ring road of Wrocław (2012) – nominated to the 2014 fib Awards for Outstanding Concrete Structures.

Jan Biliszczuk was a scientific advisor and consultant during design and construction of the largest modern Polish bridges: bridge over the Odra River in Rogów Opolski (team management), bridge over the Vistula River in Toruń (member of the supervising team), the Siekierkowski Bridge in Warsaw, bridge along the north ring road of Opole, the Third Millennium John Paul II Bridge in Gdańsk, the Solidarity Bridge in Płock, bridge in Puławy and others. He also worked on the construction of the bridge over the Vltava River along the D8 motorway in the Czech Republic.

He has received many awards and honours for his work.