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In memoriam Frans Gerritsen (1953-2012)

On 24 October 2012 professor Frans Gerritsen has passed away, at the age of 59 years. Frans was for a long time a driving member of our society, board member and secretary, and a source of inspiration.

Frans was Senior Director Clinical Science and Advanced Development at Philips Healthcare. With Philips since 1984, in a range of important functions, he was instrumental in making the image analysis and visualization activities in Philips blossoming, leading the huge European project EASI for surgical navigation, and has established real links with many universities and hospitals.

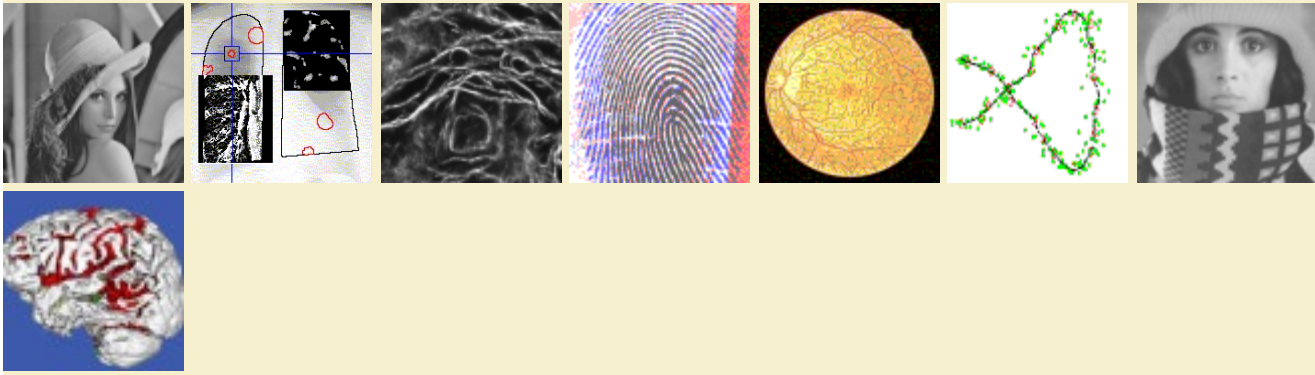
He was a part-time professor for 8 years at Eindhoven University of Technology. Frans was precise, unconventional, sometimes confronting, always constructive, and was a sharp analyzer. His perseverance and great skills impressed all his colleagues and peers. Many times he understood the matter faster than his surroundings. He knew how to get the best out of people.

Some years ago he developed Parkinson's disease, which now has turned out fatal. We wish his family, friends and colleagues much strength in accepting this loss. We will always remember Frans as a wonderful colleague, and friend.

Eindhoven, 25 oktober 2012



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