

## Ulrich Schurr Biography

Uli studied biology at the University of Bayreuth (Germany) and gained his Ph.D in plant sciences from the same university. He then became group leader at the Botanical Institute at University of Heidelberg. He was the founding director of the Institute of Plant Sciences at Forschungszentrum Jülich (Germany) and the institute for Phytosphere at Heinrich-Heine University Düsseldorf in 2001. Since then he held numerous positions in national and international science institutions and coordinated several major scientific programs including e.g. the Executive Board of the European Technology Platform Plants for the Future (chairman 2015-2017), the Helmholtz Program Key Technologies for the Bioeconomy (speaker) and the Bioeconomy Science Centre (BioSC; Speaker). He has initiated and coordinated important national and international program in plant phenotyping like the German Plant Phenotyping Network (DPPN), the European Plant Phenotyping Network (EPPN) and the International Plant Phenotyping Network (IPPN, Chair). Since 2016 he coordinates the ESFRI project EMPHASIS - European Infrastructure for multi-scale Plant Phenomics and Simulation for food security in a changing climate.