

# Professor Christian Borgemeister

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## Career history

### 10/2013 – to date

Centre for Development  
Research (ZEF), University  
of Bonn, Germany

### Director

Part of ZEF's triple directorate and responsible for the  
Department C *Ecology and Natural Resources  
Management*.

### 2005 – 09/2013

International Centre of  
Insect Physiology and  
Ecology (*icipe*) in Nairobi,  
Kenya

### Director General

Director General and CEO of the International Centre of  
Insect Physiology and Ecology (*icipe*) in Nairobi, Kenya,  
and since 2006 also Director Research & Partnership of  
*icipe*; providing strategic leadership in all areas of the  
Centre; key fundraiser of *icipe*; strong involvement in  
project development and grant mobilization; outreach  
and partnership development

### 2002 - 2005

Leibniz University  
Hannover, Institute of Plant  
Diseases and Plant  
Protection

### Assistant / Associate / Professor for Applied Entomology and Plant Protection

Research project development, internationalisation of the  
Faculty, fundraising, teaching, MSc and PhD student  
supervision; co-coordination of the Faculty's  
interdisciplinary project on protected vegetable  
production in Bangkok, Thailand; additional project work  
in Colombia, Cameroon, Vietnam and PR China

### 2000 - 2001

Justus-Liebig University,  
Faculty of Agriculture,  
Institute of Phytopathology  
and Applied Zoology

### Visiting Professor for Applied Zoology

Research project development, teaching, MSc and PhD  
student supervision.

### 1992 - 1997

International Institute for  
Tropical Agriculture (IITA),  
Biological Control Centre  
for Africa, Cotonou, Benin

### Postdoc, Associate and Senior Scientist

Development of integrated control technologies, with a  
particular emphasis on biological control, of the larger  
grain borer, an invasive post-harvest pest of maize and  
cassava in Africa. I commenced as Post-doc in phase I of  
this multi-country project, to become the Coordinator in  
phase II

## Recognitions and awards

2011 International Plant Protection Award of Distinction

- Fellow, African Academy of Sciences (AAS)
- Fellow, Royal Entomological Society (UK)
- Fellow, Entomological Society of America (ESA)
- President International Branch of the ESA (2011-2012)
- Vice-President International Branch of the ESA (2010 – 2011)
- Editor-in-Chief *International Journal of Tropical Insect Science*
- Member Editorial Board *Bulletin of Entomological Research*
- Member Advisory Board *East African Agricultural and Forestry Journal*
- Regular scientific reviewer for, among others, *Biological Control*, *Environmental Entomology*, *Entomologia Experimentalis et Applicata*, *Physiological Entomology*, *Biocontrol Science and Technology*, *Journal of Economic Entomology*, *Annals of the Entomological Society*, *BioControl*

## Selected invited talks and keynotes

HUCE Seminar, Harvard University's Centre for the Environment (2012)

Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada (2012)

Tropentag, Bonn, Germany (2011)

Sawicki Lecture, Rothamsted Research, Harpenden, UK (2010)

World Food Prize, Des Moines, USA (2010)

Society for Vector Ecology, Belek, Turkey (2009)

Swedish Agriculture University, Uppsala, Sweden (2009)

Invited Lectures at Kyushu, Kyoto and Tokyo Universities, Japan (2008)

Oxford University, UK (2007)

## Memberships and activities in public/civic/international affairs

Founding Member, Consortium of National Health Research (CNHR), Kenya

German Council for Research on Tropical and Sub-tropical Agriculture (ATSAF)

Entomological Society of America (ESA)

African Academy of Sciences (AAS)

International Organisation for Biological Control (IOBC)

Royal Entomological Society, UK

South African Entomological Society

African Association of Insect Scientists

German Society for Basic and Applied Entomology (DGaaE)

German Society for Phytomedicine (DPG)

*External science reviewer/evaluator for:*

Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany

Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany

Volkswagen Foundation, Germany

Swiss Institute for Technology (ETH), Zurich, Switzerland

## Education

<b>1979 - 1985</b>	Diploma in Agriculture. Georg-August-University Göttingen, Germany
<b>1986 - 1991</b>	PhD in Horticulture (major in entomology). Leibniz University Hannover, Germany
<b>1999</b>	Habilitation in Plant Health. Leibniz University Hannover, Germany
<b>2004</b>	Professor for Applied Entomology and Plant Protection. Leibniz University Hannover, Germany
<b>June / July 2009</b>	Senior Leadership Program. IMD, Lausanne, Switzerland

## Languages

German	Mother tongue
English	Excellent / fluent
French	Very good / fluent
Spanish	Good