

Life Time Achievement Award

Dr. Manfred Jakob Kern
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Citation

Dr. Manfred J. Kern born in 1952 in Bodenheim, Germany, where his family operated a wine-growing estate. He is married, has two daughters and two grand children. He earned his doctorate at the **Johannes-Gutenberg-University** in Mainz, Germany on the subject of "Brain Aging in Insects" in 1982. He is a **graduate biologist, futurologist**, and managing director of **agriExcellence e.K.** worked in the **chemical crop protection industry** for **Hoechst AG, AgrEvo GmbH, Aventis Crop Science AG** and **Bayer Crop Science AG**. Over the past 40 years he has held key positions in science and technology, strategy, marketing and communications.

He is nationally and internationally a highly reputed, creative and innovative scientist, author, co-editor, editorial board member, speaker, communicator, consultant, teacher, motivator, and inspirer in the field of crop and animal health, agri-food and life sciences and many more. He has filed many patents and has more than 200 publications in international and national journals and books to his credit. He shared his extraordinary and unique knowledge in more than 1,200 presentations at international/national congresses, conferences, symposia, workshops, and public at large in over 80 countries. He is a founder member and Vice-President of **IFSDAA** (International Foundation for Sustainable Development in Africa and Asia), Goettingen, Germany since 2007.

He has been running the project of "Agriculture: Vision 2025/2050", a comprehensive and still running study on the safeguarding of world food supplies and production of healthy food, since 1995. He is a famous futurologist, i.e., building bridges to the future and people worldwide. As a positive thinking and acting visionary, his vision and mission was not only to foresee the future, but to enable a better future on earth. "Do more with less, better and in time!"

He delivered lectures on "Future of Agriculture" at **JMS** (Junior Management School) in Monheim, Germany between 2006 and 2011. He has been teaching as Senior Fellow at the Center for Development Research (ZEF) at the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelm-University of Bonn, Germany since 2004. He functioned as peer for external evaluations of many university programs in Germany (AQAS e.V., ZEvA) as well as the University of Peace, Costa Rica in 2013 (SINAES). He acted as an expert participating in the evaluation of the "HORIZON 2020" program of the European Commission in 2020.

The German television, **HR3** has produced a 30 minutes portrait about Dr. Kern's work in the series: "Modern People: Dr. Manfred Kern – Food for the Next Millennium" in 1999. He has been awarded by various organisations for significant accomplishments in the field of agricultural innovation. In 2013, he was nominated for the **International ENI Award 2013** in Italy. The secretariat of **UNCCD** (United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification) recognized Dr. Kern by upholding his title as "Eminent Person" in 2007. He was **Lieutenant-Colonel (P.)** in the **Euro-Corps**, commander of a battalion (res.), and decorated with the **silver medal** of the **German Armed Forces**.

The **Life Time Achievement Award** is accorded to **Dr. Manfred J. Kern** in recognition of his outstanding contributions in the field of agricultural sciences, cutting-edge technologies, innovations in food production (basic food, functional food, pharma-farming) and food security, global security, sustainable development, crop/animal and human health, biodiversity, soil conservation, water, climate change, carbon footprint, renewable energy/resources, fossil fuel free farming, nano (bio) technology, impact of micro-/nanoplastics; knowledge transfer from private to public sector; for creating and sharing many unique and multidisciplinary visions of global trends from 1995 to 2025/2052; for building bridges to the future; for offering orientation and leadership, for his demanding education, fascinating lectures, his motivation and inspirations.

The **Life Time Achievement Award** is testimony for his outstanding recognition worldwide and for his professional commitments, dedication, hardwork, distinguished services to life-sciences as well as people, societies and humanity. With great pleasure, we all wish him continued great success, plethora of great achievements, deep inner satisfaction, and happy and healthy life ahead.



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