

Board DUTCH BIOREFINERY CLUSTER -2018

Ger Willems



Education

PhD in physics at the Technical University Eindhoven (1981)

Professional Career with FrieslandCampina

Started with FrieslandCampina in 1980 in the department of Process and Powder Research in Leeuwarden.

As of 1988 general manager of the total R&D Leeuwarden organisation. This unit supported all affiliates of FrieslandCampina at that time in the area of long life liquid and powdered products for the consumer markets, including infant formulas.

As of July 2008 switched to the position of Director Scientific Affairs & Intellectual Property, reporting to the Corporate Director R&D.

With the start of the new Innovation Centre in Wageningen in august 2013 the position changed to Director Scientific Affairs / Site manager Innovation Centre

Retired in April 2017

Other assignments

- Former chairman of the Programme Council of the Top Institute Food & Nutrition in Wageningen
- Former Board member of Food&Nutrition Delta
- Former chairman of the Advisory Council of Syntens (Noord/Oost)
- Former member of the committees on nutrition & health and on quality & technology of the Dutch Dairy Association
- Former member of the Supervisory Board of NanoNextNL
- Former Chairman of the Dutch National Committee of the International Dairy Federation
- Member of the Stakeholder Association of MARIN (on behalf of the Wageningen Municipality)
- Since 2011 active within Dutch Biorefinery Cluster and since 2015 Member of the Board
- As of July 2018 Chairman of the Board of the Dutch Biorefinery Cluster