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Ulrich Schurr is a plant scientist with a wide background in plant ecology, physiology, molecular biology and plant breeding. In 1991, he received Ph.D. from University Bayreuth, Germany and became a group leader at the Institute for Botany, University Heidelberg, Germany. In 2011, he serves as the Director of Forschungszentrum Jülich Institute and a leader of IBG-2: Plant Sciences. The IBG-2 is one of the world-leading centers in plant phenotyping. Plant scientists, engineers, physicist and (bio-) informaticians develop novel phenotyping technologies at a mechanistic analysis, for medium- and high throughput as well as for field applications.

Ulrich Schurr is also the founding director of the Bioeconomy Science Center (BioSC), the coordinator of the German Plant Phenotyping Network (DPPN), and the European Plant Phenotyping Network (EPPN).

Currently, he is a Chairman of several scientific boards namely European Technology Platform Plant for the Future, the International Plant Phenotyping Network (IPPN e.V.), and the ESFRI-project EMPHASIS to develop a European Infrastructure for Plant Phenotyping.

Besides his research interests, Ulrich Schurr is strongly involved in science strategy in Germany, Europe and globally with the aim to make use of scientific results to solve grand challenges of today and tomorrow.

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