



## Joachim von Braun - President



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### Most important awards, prizes and academies

Justus von Liebig Prize for World Nutrition, by Fiat Panis Foundation, University of Hohenheim, November 2011; The Bertebos Prize by the Royal Swedish Academy of Agriculture and Forestry, Stockholm, January 2009; Lifetime Fellow of the International Association of Agricultural Economists (IAAE), 2009; Lifetime Fellow of the African Association of Agricultural Economists (AAAE), 2010; Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) for contributions to agricultural development and food policy for developing countries, 2006; Research Fellow of Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn, 2010; Honorary Doctoral Degree (Dr. hc) in Agricultural Economics from the University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim, Germany, 2005; Honorary Professorial Appointment to the International Research Center for Food and Agriculture Economics of Nanjing Agricultural University, China, 2004; Elected Fellow of the German Economics Association's (Verein für Socialpolitik) Development Economics Branch, 1996; Josef G. Knoll Science Prize from Eiselen Foundation (Germany) for distinguished research for the improvement of food security and nutrition, 1988; Professor Title (Habilitation, Dr. Habil) in Agricultural Economics at University of Göttingen, Germany, 1983; Award from the Federal German Labor Office for doctoral dissertation, 1978. Memberships: Member, Academy of Science of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia (Economics, Engineering, and Natural Sciences Chapter), 1999; Member, German Academy of Science and Engineering (acatech), 2011; Member, International Food and Agricultural Trade Policy Council (IPC), 2007; Chair of the 'Bio-Economy Council' at acatech for the Federal German Government (member from 2009, Chair since 2012); Member, Innovation Council (Innovationsbeirat) of Federal German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, 2011; Member, World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Food Security (2008-11) and participant in the Davos World Economic Forum (various years 2001-08); Member, Chicago Council on Global Affairs, Advisory Group for Global Agricultural Development Initiative, 2010; Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), 2012; Academic Advisory Board of the European Union for the Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change Research, 2010; Member, Academic Board for Program Evaluation of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, 2011; Member, Robert Bosch Foundation program on natural resources and development research, (1998-2002 and since 2007); Member, Strategic Advisory Group on Water Supply and Sanitation of United Nations, WHO/UNICEF, 2009; Member, Nestlé Advisory Board on "Creating Shared Value", 2009; Chair, Scientific Advisory Board of the Courant Research Centre of the University of Göttingen for *Poverty, Equity, and Growth in Developing Countries*, 2010; Member, Indo-German Council, appointed by German Government, 2011; Member, Board of Academic Advisors of the Center for Chinese Agricultural Policy, Chinese Academy of Science (CAS), Beijing, China, 2005. Academic associations, including: IAAE (International Association of Agricultural Economists); AAAS (American Association for the Advancement of Science); AAAE (American Association of Agricultural Economists); EAAE (European Association of Agricultural Economists); GeWiSoLa (German Agricultural Economics Association); Verein fuer Socialpolitik (German Economics Association); EUDN (European Development Network). Boards of journals, including: *World Development*, 1996-2004; *Quarterly Journal of International Agriculture*, since 1995; *economics. The Open-Access, Open-Assessment E-journal*, since 2005; *Food Security* journal, since 2009; *Journal of Social Exclusion Studies*, Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, since 2011. Academic Reviews and Advisory Services for various organizations, including: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; Volkswagen Foundation; German Science Foundation; Federal German

Parliament; EU-Commission; The World Bank; FAO; WFP; UN ECOSOC; US Senate Committees (Foreign Relations, Energy).

### Summary of scientific research

von Braun is considered an internationally leading expert on the problems of hunger and malnutrition and solutions of these problems. His scientific publications address poverty, international development economics, economics of natural resources, agriculture, and science and technology policy. von Braun was Director General of the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) based in Washington, DC, USA from 2002 to 2009. Since 2009 von Braun is Director of the Center for Development Research (ZEF) and Professor for Economic and Technological Change at University of Bonn, Germany. ZEF is Germany's leading multi-disciplinary research institute on aspects of development. von Braun serves as chair of the Bio-Economy Council of the German Government, and on various international, and European advisory councils. He has had work experience in the following countries: Egypt, Gambia, Guatemala, Rwanda, Sudan, Ethiopia, India, China, Bangladesh, Russia

### Main publications

*Books and Monographs:* Lal, Rattan, Klaus Lorenz, Reinhard F. Hüttel, Bernd Uwe Schneider, Joachim von Braun Ed. 2012. *Recarbonization of the Biosphere. Ecosystems and the Global Carbon Cycle*. Dordrecht Heidelberg New York London: Springer; E. Nkonya, N. Gerber, T. Walter, J. von Braun, P. Baumgartner 2011. *The Economics of Land Degradation: Toward an Integrated Global Assessment (Development Economics and Policy)*; von Braun, J., R. Vargas-Hill, R. Pandya-Lorch, eds. 2009. *The Poorest and Hungry: Assessments, Analyses, and Actions*. IFPRI Book. Washington DC., USA; von Braun, J., and E. Diaz-Bonilla, ed. 2008. *Globalization of Food and Agriculture and the Poor*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press; Torero, M., and J. von Braun, ed. 2006. *Information and communication technology for development and poverty reduction: The potential of telecommunications*. Baltimore, Maryland, USA: The Johns Hopkins University Press; Virchow, D., and J. von Braun ed. 2001. *Villages in the Future: Crops, Jobs, and Livelihood*. Berlin, Heidelberg, New York: Springer-Verlag; Wehrheim, P., K. Froberg, E. Serova, and J. von Braun ed. 2000. *Russia's Agro-food Sector: Towards Truly Functioning Markets*. Boston, Dordrecht, and London: Kluwer Academic Publishers; Qaim, M., A.F. Krattinger, and J. von Braun ed. 2000. *Agricultural Biotechnology in Developing Countries: Towards Optimizing the Benefits for the Poor (cover and TOC only)*. Boston, Dordrecht, and London: Kluwer Academic Publishers; Peters, G. H., and J. von Braun ed. 1999. *Food Security, Diversification, and Resource Management: Refocusing the Role of Agriculture?* England: Ashgate Publishing Ltd.; von Braun, J., T. Teklu, and P. Webb. 1998. *Famine in Africa: Causes, Responses, and Prevention*. Baltimore and London: The Johns Hopkins University Press; von Braun, J., F. Bellin-Sesay, T. Feldbrügge, and F. Heidhues. 1998. *Verbesserung der Ernährung in Entwicklungsländern: Strategien und Politikempfehlungen*. München, Köln, and London: Weltforum Verlag; Ling, Z., J. Zhongyi, and J. von Braun. 1997. *Credit Systems for the Rural Poor in China*. Commack, NY: Nova Science Publishers, Inc.; Zeller, M., G. Schrieder, J. von Braun, and F. Heidhues. 1997. *Rural Finance for Food Security for the Poor: Implications for Research and Policy*. Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute; von Braun, J. ed. 1995. *Employment for Poverty Reduction and Food Security*. Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute; von Braun, J., and E. Kennedy ed. 1994. *Agricultural Commercialization, Economic Development, and Nutrition*. Baltimore and London: The Johns Hopkins University Press; Webb, P., and J. von Braun. 1994. *Famine and Food Security in Ethiopia: Lessons for Africa*. Chichester, NY, Brisbane, Toronto, and Singapore: John Wiley and Sons Publ.; von Braun, J. 1984. *Ernährungssicherungspolitik in Entwicklungsländern – Ökonomische Analyse am Beispiel Ägyptens*. Kiel: Kieler Wissenschaftsverlag Vauk. *Book Chapters:* von Braun, J., M.T. Ruel, and S. Gillespie. 2012: Bridging the Gap between the Agriculture and Health Sectors. In: *Reshaping Agriculture for Nutrition and Health. An IFPRI 2020 Book*. Ed. Shenggen Fan and Rajul Pandya-Lorch; von Braun, J. 2011. „Auf die Kleinen kommt es an“ – Welternährung zwischen Mangel und Markt. In *Herausforderung Mensch – Energie, Ernährung, Gesundheit*. Verhandlung der Gesellschaft Deutscher Naturforscher und Ärzte e.V., 126. Versammlung, 17. bis 21. September 2010 in Dresden. Ed. Zenner, H.-P., A.G. Beck-Sickinger, E. Knust, L. Schultz, W. Wahlster, and M. With. Georg Thime Verlag KG. 125-136; von Braun, J. 2011: Increasing and More Volatile Food Prices and the Consumer. In: *The Oxford Handbook of the Economics of Food Consumption and Policy*. Ed. Jayson Lusk, Jutta Roosen, and Jason Shogren. 612-628, Oxford University Press; von Braun, J. 2010. ICT for the Poor at Large Scale: Innovation Connection to Markets and Services. In *ICT for the Next Five Billion People*. Ed. Picot, Arnold and Lorenz, Josef. Springer, Berlin Heidelberg. 3-14; Birner, R., J. von Braun. 2009. *Decentralization and Public Service Provision – A Framework for Pro-poor Institutional Design*. In: Ehtisham Ahmad, and Giorgio Brosio, Does Decentralization Enhance Service Delivery and Poverty Reduction? E. Elgar Publ.; von Braun, J. 2008. Rural-urban linkages for growth, employment, and poverty reduction. In *Proceedings of the Fifth International Conference on the Ethiopian Economy, Vol. 1*. Ed. G. Alemu, and E. Wale. Addis Ababa: Ethiopian

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