
Leen HORDIJK

Biosketch



Professor Hordijk is currently Director of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), in Laxenburg, Austria. Until recently, he was Director of the Wageningen Institute for Environment and Climate Research (WIMEK) in the Netherlands and a faculty member in Environmental Systems Analysis at Wageningen Agricultural University. He was also Chairman of the Program Committee of the Netherlands Research Program on Climate Change and Global Air Pollution, and chairman of the Social Science Research Council of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO).

He received his Ph.D. in econometrics from Vrije University, Amsterdam. Beginning in 1984, he pioneered the development of methods for linking environmental science and economics for integrated assessments of air pollution problems in Europe. The models he and his colleagues developed, principally at IIASA in Austria, were widely used by policy negotiators of the Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution (LRTAP). His approaches are recognized as among the most effective ever developed for linking science and policy in international environmental affairs. In the Netherlands, he was engaged in a large project on integrated assessment for climate change (COOL).