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## YIELD & NUTRITION

### Christian Bachem - Bio

Christian Bachem was born in Mexico, educated in Sussex, UK. He received his first degree in 1980 from Bonn University in Germany where he read Agriculture and specialised in Plant Sciences. His PhD was completed at the Max Planck Institute, Cologne in 1986 in the framework of a German/Hungarian collaborative project studying Rhizobium-Legume interactions located both in Cologne and Szeged, Hungary. After post-doctoral studies into plant mitochondria (1987-1990) in Edinburgh, UK, he joined the plant biotech company Keygene (Wageningen, The Netherlands) where he was project manager for potato and developed cDNA-AFLP RNA-Fingerprinting technology. Since 1994 Christian Bachem has been teaching and conducting research at the University Wageningen, Laboratory of Plant Breeding in The Netherlands. His main scientific interest is in the functional genomic analysis of potato tuber development and potato tuber quality traits. He also participates in and coordinates a number of large multipartite research projects on national, European and international level and is an active member of academic organisations such as Eucarpia (member), EPSO (personal member) and SOL (SOL co-chair).