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Married with Dr. Barbara von Braun, 3 daughters

Education

1975 Dipl. Ing. Agriculture, University of Bonn, Germany
(equivalent to M.Sc. Agricultural Economics)

1978 Doctoral Degree (Agricultural Economics), University of
Göttingen, Germany

Employment

Sept. 2002 – present Director General, International Food Policy Research Institute
(IFPRI), Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

Sept. 1997 – Sept. 2002 Director, Center for Development Research (ZEF), University
of Bonn, Germany; and Head of Department of ‘Economics
and Technological Change’ of the Center; joint appointment
as Professor at the Institute for Agricultural Policy and
Applied Economics, Faculty of Agriculture, University of
Bonn, Germany

Apr. 1993 – Sept. 1997 Professor, Food Economics, Food Policy, and World Food
Issues; and Director, Institute for Food Economics and
Consumer Analyses, Faculty of Agriculture, University of
Kiel, Germany

Apr. 1990 – Mar. 1993 Director, Food Consumption and Nutrition Division,
International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI),
Washington, DC, U.S.A.

1984 – 1990 Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute
(IFPRI), Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

1982 – 1983 Associate Professor, Institute of Agricultural Economics,
University of Göttingen, Germany

1981 – 1982 Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute
(IFPRI), Washington, D.C., U.S.A. (based in Egypt)

1979 – 1980	Visiting Fellow, Institute of National Planning, Cairo, Egypt (led a research project of Volkswagen Foundation on food and agricultural policy reform and trade)
1975 – 1980	Research Associate, Faculty of Agriculture, Institute of Agricultural Economics, University of Göttingen, Germany
1970 – 1974	Farm worker in Germany, Turkey, France (during semester breaks)

Significant Current and Past Functions in Scientific Societies and Advisory Councils/Boards

- Forschungs- und Technologierat ‘Bio-ökonomie’ of Deutsche Akademie der Technikwissenschaften for the Federal Ministries of Education and Research (BMBF) and for Food, Agriculture, and Consumer Protection (BMELV) — Member [from 2009]
- Strategic Advisory Group on Water Supply and Sanitation of WHO/UNICEF for the MDGs — Member [from 2009]
- Nestlé Creating Shared Value Advisory Board — Member [from 2009]
- Committee for the Development of Strategies and Results Framework of the CGIAR — Chair [2009]
- World Economic Forum’s Global Agenda Council on Food Security — Member [from 2008]
- International Advisory Board of TransForum — Member [from 2008]
- Scientific Advisory Board of the Courant Research Centre of the University of Göttingen for *Poverty, Equity, and Growth in Developing Countries* — Member [from 2007]
- International Advisory Board of the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS) — Member [from 2007]
- International Food and Agricultural Trade Policy Council (IPC) — Member [from 2007]
- Board of Academic Advisors of the Center for Chinese Agricultural Policy, Chinese Academy of Science (CAS), Beijing, China — Member [since 2005]
- CGIAR Platform on Agriculture and Health — Chair [from 2006]

- Program Advisory Committee of the Global Challenge Program HarvestPlus — Member [from 2004]
- Program Advisory Committee of the Global Open Food and Agriculture University (GO-FAU) — Ex-Officio Member [from 2004]
- Advisory Council of the Partnership to Cut Hunger and Poverty in Africa – Member [from 2004]
- “Hunger Task Force” of the Millennium Development Project of the United Nations — Member [2003–2005]
- Expert Group on Poverty and Hunger of the World Economic Forum (Davos Forum) — Co-Chair [2004–2005]; Member [2003]
- OneWorld Foundation — elected International Advisory Board Member [October 2001–2008]
- Board of the Analytical Center on Agri-Food Economics, Moscow, Russia — Member [2001–2007]
- International Association of Agricultural Economists (IAAE) — President [2000–2003]; Vice-President for Program [1994–1997]; Executive Committee Member [1994–2006]
- Senate Committee on Food and Agriculture and Related Substances of the German Science Foundation (DFG) — Vice-Chair [2000–2003]
- G8-Digital Opportunity Task Force (DOT Force) of the G8 countries for preparation of G8 action plan to bridge the digital divide — Member [2000–2001]
- Academy of Science of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia (Economics, Engineering, and Natural Sciences Chapter) — Member [elected in 1999]
- Scientific Advisory Board of the Federal German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development — Vice-Chair [1999–2002]; Member [since 1995]
- Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) — Member [1999–2002]
- International Advisory Committee to the President of Inter-American Development Bank on Women in Development — Member [1996–2000]
- Cologne Science Center Academic Advisory Board, Germany [Member since 2005]

- Board of Research Institute for Agricultural Development in Middle and Eastern Europe, IAMO, Halle, Germany — Vice Chair [1995–2002]
- Robert Bosch Foundation program on natural resources and development research [Member 1998–2002; 2007 onwards]
- Alexander von Humboldt Foundation selection committee [Forster program: Member 1998–2002], Germany
- German Development Policy Institute [Board Member 1998–2002], Germany
- 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* [until 2004]
 - *Quarterly Journal of International Agriculture* [since 1995]
 - *economics. The Open-Access, Open-Assessment E-journal* [since 2005]
 - *Food Security* journal [since 2009]
- Academic Reviews and Advisory Services for various organizations, including:
 - Volkswagen Foundation
 - German Science Foundation
 - Federal Science Council
 - Federal Parliament
 - EU-Commission
 - The World Bank
 - FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)
 - WFP (World Food Programme)
 - UN (United Nations)

Honors and Awards

- Awarded the Bertebos Prize by the Royal Swedish Academy of Agriculture and Forestry for his outstanding work in development economics and as effective head of

several development research institutions focusing on food, agriculture, and rural poverty [Stockholm, January 2009]

- Awarded the distinction of Fellow by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) for contributions to agricultural development and food policy for developing countries [2006]
- Honorary Doctoral Degree 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 [since 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]

Dissertation supervisions (mostly while Professor at the Universities of Bonn and Kiel)

Main advisor on 31 doctoral dissertations and advisor on 6 professorial awards committees (Habilitation)

Languages: English (fluent); German (fluent); French (working knowledge)

Experiences in different Countries:

Countries with more than 3 months of work experiences in the country: Egypt, Gambia, Guatemala, Rwanda, Sudan, Ethiopia, China, Bangladesh, Russia

Selected books and monographs (articles and other publications available upon request)*

- von Braun, J., and E. Diaz-Bonilla, eds. 2008. *Globalization of food and agriculture and the poor*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- von Braun, J. 2007. *The world food situation: New driving forces and required actions*. Food Policy Report. Washington, DC: IFPRI.
- Torero, M., and J. von Braun (eds.). 2006. *Information and communication technologies for development and poverty reduction — The potential of telecommunications*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.
- Virchow, D., and J. von Braun (eds.). 2001. *Villages in the future: Crops, jobs, and livelihood*. Berlin, Heidelberg, New York: Springer-Verlag.
- Qaim, M.; A.F. Krattinger; and J. von Braun (eds.). 2000. *Agricultural biotechnology in development countries: Towards optimizing the benefits for the poor*. Boston, Dordrecht, and London: Kluwer Academic Publishers.
- von Braun, J.; T. Teklu; and P. Webb. 1999. *Famine in Africa: Causes, responses, and prevention*. Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press (paperback in 2000).
- Peters, G. H., and J. von Braun (eds.). 1999. *Food security, diversification, and resource management: Refocusing the role of agriculture?* Proceedings of the twenty-third International Conference of Agricultural Economists, held at Sacramento, California, August 10-16, 1997. Aldershot, Hants, England; Brookfield, VT: Ashgate.
- von Braun, J., and E. Kennedy (eds.). 1994. *Agricultural commercialization, economic development, and nutrition*. Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press.

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* For a list of journal articles and other publications, see <http://www.ifpri.org/SRSTAFF/vonbraunjpubs.asp>.