

## Biography of Professor Wolfgang Gaebel EPA President, 2015-2016

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Wolfgang Gaebel is Professor of Psychiatry, Director of the Department of Psychiatry and Psychotherapy at the Heinrich-Heine University, Duesseldorf, and Medical Director of the LVR-Klinikum Duesseldorf, Germany. He is also Head of the WHO Collaborating Centre on Quality Assurance and Empowerment in Mental Health and Director of the Institute of Mental Health Service Research in Duesseldorf.

During his career, Professor Gaebel has held two times the position as President of the German Association for Psychiatry, Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics (DGPPN). He was President of the German Society of Biological Psychiatry (DGBP). He was chair of the Organizing Committee of the 11<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Psychiatry, Hamburg, 1999. He is Vice President of the Association of the Scientific Medical Societies in Germany (AWMF), chairman of the WPA Section on Schizophrenia as well as chairman of the WPA Section on Quality Assurance, chairman of the Taskforce on Nosology and Psychopathology of the World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry (WFSBP). In 2009 he was elected Board Member of the European Psychiatric Association (EPA). Since 2009 he is the co-chair of the EPA Section on Schizophrenia, since 2012 he is the coordinator of the EPA Guidance Project. He is President of the EPA; his mandate started on 1 January 2015, and will run for two years.

His research focus includes clinical, pharmacological, and neurophysiological aspects of schizophrenia, experimental psychopathology and classification, treatment guidelines and quality management, and research on stigma and discrimination.

His current interest is on the revision of the classification systems on mental and behavioural disorders. He is member of the WHO International Advisory Group for the Revision of ICD-10 Mental and Behavioural Disorders. He is chair of the WHO-Workgroup on Psychosis for ICD-11 and was member of the DSM-5 Psychotic Disorders Workgroup of the American Psychiatric Association.

Professor Gaebel has published about 700 scientific articles, he is editor/author of about 40 books/supplements on a range of scientific topics, he is member of the editorial boards of various national/international journals, and is editor in chief of the bilingual journal 'Die Psychiatrie'.