



EHEDG NZ Committee Member Profile

Name: Richard Archer (Professor Emeritus)
Companies: Massey University, and
Rhamnos Consulting Ltd
Position: Logan Campbell Professor of Food Technology, and
Director
Location: Palmerston North
Committee Role: President NZIFST (NZIFST & Academic Sector)



Biography:

Richard graduated from Massey University with a PhD in Biotechnology and has been a leading figure in process engineering and academia ever since.

After four years working in the deer by-product industry, he spent the next 19 years in the dairy industry in different process engineering and business development roles before returning to Massey in 2004 to head the Institute of Technology and Engineering and then the Institute of Food, Nutrition and Human Health until 2014.

In addition to his roles with the School of Food Technology and Natural Sciences at the Massey and Singapore campuses, Richard has had a number of roles and responsibilities arising from his passion for process engineering and commercialisation including:

- Chief Technologist of the Food Industry Enabling Technology (FIET) program – the MBIE funded food engineering research program with academic and industry collaboration
- Director of the FoodPilot on the Massey Palmerton North campus
- Director of the New Zealand Food Innovation Network Ltd
- Multiple advisory and governance roles with agribusiness organisations in NZ and SEA

He is a Fellow of Engineering NZ, of NZIFST and of IAFoST.

Richard is a strong supporter of the benefit that hygienic design application brings to the production of safe food and a leading advocate for EHEDG New Zealand in the



role that it can play in increasing awareness in the NZ Food Industry. Richard and David Lowry are co-sponsors of the 'Process Engineering and Hygienic Design' SIG (Special Interest Group) within NZIFST.

Richard is a past President of NZIFST in 2019 & 2020.

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