



Prof. Dr. Michael Hengartner, President University of Zurich

Michael Hengartner, a Swiss-Canadian citizen, was born in St. Gallen, Switzerland in 1966 and grew up in Québec City, Canada. He studied biochemistry at the Université Laval in Québec City. After earning his PhD at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology with Nobel laureate H. Robert Horvitz, he was head of a research group at the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory in the USA from 1994 to 2001. In 2001, he was appointed professor for molecular biology at the newly created Ernst Hadorn Chair at the Institute of Molecular Life Sciences, University of Zurich. From 2009 to 2014, he acted as dean of the Faculty of Science.

Michael Hengartner holds an Executive MBA from IMD Lausanne and is the recipient of several awards for his groundbreaking research on the molecular basis of apoptosis, among them the Swiss National Latsis Prize. In 2010 he was awarded the Credit Suisse Award for Best Teaching at UZH.

Prof. Dr. Christian Schwarzenegger, Vice President Law and Economics

Following his studies at the University of Zurich, Prof. Dr. Christian Schwarzenegger worked as an assistant at the University's Institute of Criminology. He earned his doctoral degree in 1992 and, a year later, was admitted to the bar in the canton of Schaffhausen. From 1994 to 1999 Prof. Schwarzenegger was assistant professor for European law, comparative law, criminal law, and criminology at the universities of Niigata and Aichi in Japan. He then returned to UZH to take on the position of assistant professor with tenure-track. After completing his habilitation in 2008, Christian Schwarzenegger was appointed associate professor; in 2010 he was named full professor for criminal law, criminal procedure law, and criminology at UZH. He was dean of the Faculty of Law from 2012 to 2014.

Prof. Schwarzenegger's research focuses on victim surveys, family violence, and public perception of crime control as well as computer crime and cybercrime. He also conducts research projects on community crime prevention with the city of Zurich's police department.

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