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Ockert Bosch is currently the Director of Systems Modeling and a Consortial Partner for Systemic Excellence Group. He is also a professor of Systems Design and Complexity Management at the University of Adelaide, and is the director for both Think2Impact and SysPrac Pty Ltd.

Bosch has worked towards achieving sustainability and resilience in the face of climate change and other societal and environmental challenges with a systems-based focus on complex issues such as sustainable and resilient communities, consumers and food security and safety, energy, and liveability. His work in this area has led to the formation of the Alliance for Systems Design and Complexity Management at the University of Adelaide. In this position he has helped the MBA program to become a unique systems based MBA – from a collection of courses to a “system” of interconnected courses. His research has grown into a large program addressing three major leverage points for changing the way that people think: Evolutionary Learning Laboratories, “Starting with the Young” and Systems Education.

Bosch has contributed to several books as well as over 70 journal articles since 2003.

Bosch has received a Certificate of Merit from the Vietnamese Government for Contributions to Integrated Governance and diffusing systems thinking in Vietnamese society and an award from the Chinese Government for Foreigner with highest scientific impact on China’s National Day.

He has been awarded many research grants and is often invited to be keynote speaker at international conferences. He has also been invited as Distinguished Guest Professor to Keio University, as an adjunct professor to Flinders University and as a specialist professor to the University of Patagonia.

Bosch was appointed as Editor-in-Chief of Systems Journal and serves or has served on the editorial board for several other journals such as the Systems Research and Behavioral Science Journal, the Journal for the Grassland Society of Southern Africa, and the Australian Rangeland Journal. He is the President of the International Society for the Systems Sciences (ISSS) (2016/17) as well as Vice-President of the International Academy for Cybernetics and Systems Sciences, the ISSS Systems Education and Communication Committee, the ISSS Conferences and Membership Committee. He also serves or has served on the board for the ISSS, the Business Systems Laboratory in Italy the Centre for Native Floriculture, the Noosa Biosphere, the University of Queensland, the Agricultural Production Systems Research Unit, and the CRC Tropical Savannas.