

## Biography of Frans Kampers

After completing his PhD in physics in Eindhoven Frans Kampers joined DLO, which is now part of Wageningen UR, in 1989. He headed a department on instrumentation and measurement technology for several years. This department was involved in research on sensors, microelectronics and microtechnology. Among others Frans Kampers was chairman of an ISO working group that defined the international standard on RFID for animals, chaired a working group on Microsystems and Agriculture and was responsible for a DTO project Sensors for Sustainable Food Production. After a brief period in which he was involved in information strategy Frans Kampers in 2003 was asked to investigate the possibilities of bionanotechnology in Wageningen, to define the structure in which these should take place and to develop a business plan for these activities. He soon discovered that the Wageningen expertise on food and nutrition could very well be combined with the possibilities of bionanotechnology. He now co-ordinates the research of Wageningen UR in the field of applications of nanotechnology in food and is director of BioNT, the virtual centre for bionanotechnology in Wageningen. He is one of the initiators of the Nano4Food conference and actively involved in the organization of new funding programs in the Netherlands. He is often invited to give interviews and presentations on the subject of nanotechnology in food.

