

Professor Jeff Waage, Director



Jeff has a background in international agricultural research for development. He has worked on biological pest control, farmer participatory research and invasive alien species problems and currently works on biological and social aspects of international biosecurity. His career has been split between academia, as a former Professor and head of agricultural and environment departments at **Imperial College, London** and international work, as Chief Executive of the intergovernmental agency **CABI Bioscience**, which undertakes research for development through collaborative centres in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Europe.

In his international work, he has helped set up and run initiatives on agriculture and environment with the UN system, international centres and Conventions, including the Global IPM Facility, the Global Invasive Species Programme and **LUBILOSA**, an African-based programme which developed alternatives to pesticides for the control of locust plagues. Jeff has a strong interest in inter-disciplinary research and training for development and believes that LIDC has a unique potential to be creative and influential in this area. He joined LIDC as its first Director in 2007.