

Mr. Ian Crute

Ian Crute joined the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board as Chief Scientist in September 2009. He had previously been Director of Rothamsted Research with responsibility for all scientific, operational, commercial and external liaison activities of the institute. He has a First Class Honours degree in botany and a PhD in plant pathology from the University of Newcastle upon Tyne. He holds a Visiting Professorship in the Faculty of Biological Sciences at the University of Oxford, is Chairman of the Sainsbury Laboratory Council and a member of the Lead Expert Group on the "Future of Food and Farming" Foresight project. He was awarded a Commander of the Order of the British Empire Award (CBE) in the Queen's 2010 New Year's Honours for services to plant science.