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PROFILE

Founded Lynch Consulting, August 2007

Senior regulator responsible for the development and management of the Regulatory system for plant protection and biocidal products in Ireland, until July 2007.

Wide ranging international experience as delegation leader, Rapporteur and Chairman: Council of Europe; FAO; WHO; EPPO; OECD; EU (Council Working Party and Commission Working Groups).

Author of four detailed studies used by the European Commission in developing the EU regulatory system for plant protection products.

Chairman of the OECD Registration Steering Group that developed and championed the global approach to the regulation of agricultural pesticides (1997 to 2006).

EDUCATION

BAgrSc, University College Dublin, September 1966

MS, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, June 1969

PhD, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, September 1971

CAREER

September 1967 –
September 1971

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Research Assistant

- mechanism of selectivity of the herbicide diphenamid (thesis, 6 papers)
- investigation of synergistic interactions between combinations of herbicides applied at ultra low doses (4 papers)

June 1972 –
January 1974

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Merrion Street, Dublin 2

Assistant Agriculture Inspector

- development of accounting systems for horticultural enterprises

February 1974 –
July 1974

University College Dublin, Faculty of Agriculture

Lecturer

- plant physiology (growth & development), undergraduate / graduate students

August 1974 –
July 2007

Department of Agriculture and Food, Pesticide Control Service, Backweston Campus, Kildare

Agriculture Inspector / Senior Inspector

- strategic and operational policy adviser on pesticides to the Minister
- development and management of the regulatory system for plant protection and biocidal products
- facilitating and managing inter-institutional research on pesticides, consumer safety and the environment to promote sustainable crop production