

## **Professor Eric Yirenkyi Danquah**

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Short biography and experience:

Eric Yirenkyi Danquah is a Professor of Plant Molecular Genetics at the University of Ghana (UG). He is the founding Director of the West Africa Centre for Crop Improvement (WACCI), UG. Danquah is the first and incumbent President of the African Plant Breeders Association. He is an Adjunct Professor at Cornell University, University of Western Australia and Murdoch University. He earned his BSc. degree in Crop Science from UG and furthered his studies with an MPhil in Plant Breeding and a PhD in Genetics from the University of Cambridge, UK. He has published 166 peer-reviewed journal articles and has earned several accolades, including the UG Distinguished Award for Meritorious Service in 2013, the 2018 Laureate, GCHERA World Agriculture Prize, the 2022 Laureate, Africa Food Prize, the African Genius Outstanding African Achiever Award, 2023 and was named as one of the 100 most Reputable Africans by Reputation Poll International in 2023.

**Lecture title: Impacting Food and Nutrition Security in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA): Training NextGen Plant Breeders for a hungry, growing and changing SSA**

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