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## Biography



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Dr. Kevin Chen is Qiushi Chair Professor and International Dean of China Academy for Rural Development (CARD) at Zhejiang University. Meanwhile, he serves as a Senior Research Fellow at the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI). He is also the Director of Zhejiang University-IFPRI Center for International Development Studies and a founding member, among other renowned entrepreneurs and scholars, of the Foundation for Rural Development (FAD) of China. Aside from IFAMR, Kevin is now a co-editor of *China Agricultural Economic Review (CAER)*, an editorial board member of the *Journal of Integrative Agriculture (JIA)*, and a member in the Independent Expert Group (IEG) for *Global Nutrition Report (GNR)*.

Kevin holds a Ph.D. in Agricultural and Resource Economics from the University of Guelph, M.Sc. in Agricultural and Resource Economics from the University of Maryland, and B.S. in Agricultural Economics and Management from Zhejiang Agricultural University. He won the best dissertation sward for 1992-1995, Canadian Agricultural Economics and Farm Management Society, 1996. He was assistant and associate professors at the Department of Resource Economics and Rural Sociology (then Department of Rural Economy) at the University of Alberta from 1995-2004, working in area of agricultural and food marketing and policy. He was a visiting

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senior marketing specialist with Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Rome, in 2003 and JSPS Senior Fellow with the Institute of Agriculture and Forestry, University of Tsukuba, in 2004. He also served as councilor of Canadian Agricultural Economics and Farm Management Society (CAEFMS) from 2001-2004 and co-editor for *Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics* from 2003-2004. He was then director for the \$40 million aid program on Small Farmer Adapting to Global Markets (SFAGM) funded by Canadian International Development Agency and the Government of China from 2005-2009. SFAGM program was awarded for the Outstanding Contribution to Solving Agricultural, Rural, and Farmer Issues in 2008 on CCTV 7 (Nomination Award). In particular, potato produced from a national poverty county Wuchuan under the support of SFAGM program were certified as an official designated supplier to 2008 Beijing Olympic Games.

His recent research has largely focused on the food value chain development, food and nutrition policies, poverty alleviation, agricultural and food sector modeling, and South-South agricultural cooperation and development. Since 2009, He has managed and co-managed more than 50 research projects in a wide range of topics, funded by the Asia Development Bank (ADB), Agricultural Green Revolution Alliance (AGRA), Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Science, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Ford Foundation, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), the International Labor Organization (ILO), Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA), Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC), Swiss Development Corporation (SDC), Tsinghua University, UK Department for International Development (DFID), UK Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), the World Food Programme (WFP), the World Bank, and Zhejiang University. Over years, he has published over 100 papers in top international and national peer-reviewed journals and 8 books.

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