

Short CV of Prof. Dr. Wolfgang M. Heckl:

Wolfgang M. Heckl is the Director General of the Deutsches Museum and professor of experimental physics and nanotechnology at the University of München (LMU) with a special interest in the field of organic self-assembly and the origin of life. His academic teachers are Nobel Prize winners Gerd Binnig and Theodor Hänsch.

As a dynamic and charismatic science communicator he received the *Communicator Prize* in 2002 from the German Science Foundation and was awarded the first European *Descartes Prize for Science Communication* in 2004.

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