

Franc Meyer

Franc Meyer is a Professor of Inorganic Chemistry at the University of Göttingen in Germany. He earned his Ph.D. in 1993 with Peter Paetzold at RWTH Aachen (working on borane cluster chemistry) and was a DFG postdoctoral fellow with Peter Armentrout at the University of Utah in 1994/1995 (studying the thermochemistry of metal-ligand bonds using gas phase guided ion beams and mass spectrometry). On returning to Germany, he started his independent work at the University of Heidelberg under the mentorship of Gottfried Huttner. There, he became fascinated by the many roles of metals in biology and developed a love of bioinorganic chemistry. He completed his habilitation in 2000. After one more year in Heidelberg as a DFG Heisenberg fellow and a short guest professorship in Vienna he was appointed to his current position at the University of Göttingen in 2001. His group's research focuses on biomimetic coordination chemistry, the bioinspired activation of small molecules and on energy-related proton-coupled electron transfer reactivity.



Franc served for twelve years as an Associate Editor of *Inorganic Chemistry* (2013 – 2024), and since 2021 he is an Associate Editor of *ACS Organic & Inorganic Au*. He is a member of the Göttingen Academy of Sciences, the Royal Physiographic Society in Lund/Sweden, and the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina. In 2022 he was the recipient of the German Chemical Society (GDCh) Award for Inorganic Chemistry.

Since 2013 Franc is a member of SBIC, and he has served on an SBIC Special Commission in 2020/21. He gave presentations as a plenary, keynote, and invited speaker at ICBICs, EuroBICs, SABICs, ISABC, and other international bioinorganic chemistry meetings. Franc is fascinated by the multidisciplinary nature of research in bioinorganic chemistry and the beneficial interplay of its many different facets, and he would like to contribute to maintaining and strengthening the diversity of our society. Also, he is committed to advancing the broader visibility of the field as well as the involvement and active participation of early career researchers in our community.