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Markus Hanisch is an agricultural economist with a background in institutional and resource economics.

He is professor for Cooperative Sciences at the department of agricultural economics at the Humboldt University Berlin.

His research interest combines approaches of political theory, agricultural economics and institutional economics with cooperative studies.

Current research on cooperatives covers a wide range of relevant topics such as the role of cooperative associations for sustainable development of megacities (with Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research), the role of agricultural cooperatives in the EU 27 (EU-Commission and Wageningen University) the role of cooperatives for making rural services work for the poor (with the International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington D.C.) or the impact of networking among German cooperative banks on their relative efficiency (together with the Genossenschaftsverband/German Cooperative Association e.V. Frankfurt/Main).

He is the current supervisor of 8 PhD-students. As a senior lecturer he gives the course “Cooperation and Cooperative Organizations” in the EU-funded International Masters Programme for Rural Development (IMRD) which is a collaboration between Humboldt University and several other European Universities.