Prof. Dr. Winfried Ruigrok

Dean of Executive School at University of St.Gallen





Winfried Ruigrok (NL) is a professor of international management at the University of St.Gallen. He has been part of the founding team and subsequently served as a Dean of its Executive School over the past 12.5 years. The Executive School offers a broad range of MBA, Executive MBA, open enrolment and custom programmes to senior and top executives, board members, professionals, and high potentials. At the University he also built the full-time and part-time MBA programmes, the St.Gallen Board Retreat, plus several other programmes, and made it his mission to strengthen the University's international rankings.

Winfried will step down as Dean in February 2024 and will continue as a professor for another three years when he will reach the official retirement age of 65. He intends to use these three years to build the foundations for several more active and happy years post retirement.

Winfried is married and has lived in the Netherlands, Belgium, the UK, and Switzerland. He enjoys sports, playing music and engaging with people from different cultures. He loves Amsterdam.