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Bio

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She studied Business Administration at WU and obtained her doctorate in 1991 and her *habilitation* in 1999. She was Acting Assistant Professor (1996/97) at the School of Education at Stanford University and Visiting Research Fellow (1997) at the Stanford Institute for Higher Education Research. She has held visiting research scholar positions at the Stern School of Business at New York University, the School of Education at the University of Michigan, and at the Center for the Studies in Higher Education of the University of California at Berkley between 1992 and 1994.

From 2003 to 2006 she acted as Chair of the Partnership in Management (PIM) network. From 2007 to 2012, she was a member of the Board of Directors of UniManagement, Torino. From 2002 to 2015 Professor Sporn was member of the CEMS Globalisation and Membership Committee as well as the CEMS Executive Board

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She has published books and numerous journal articles on leadership and organization in higher education, university adaptation and change, international and comparative higher education, the globalization of higher education systems, and knowledge management and IT in non-profit organizations.