



## **Biography**

### **Professor Lars Rydén**

Lars Rydén (1939) is Professor Emeritus of Cardiology at the Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden. He is an Honorary Member of several National Cardiac Societies and has published around 480 scientific papers within the fields of general cardiology, with particular emphasis on arrhythmias, cardiac pacing, heart failure, and cardiovascular disease related to diabetes mellitus.

During 1998-2000 he was President of the European Society of Cardiology. He chaired the Scientific Board of the Swedish Heart Lung Foundation from 1994-2004. Since 2004 he has chaired Alert - a branch of the Swedish Council on Technology Assessment in Health Care (SBU) dealing with early assessment of new methods in healthcare.

Professor Rydén has been appointed by the Irish and Luxemburg Ministries of Health to chair expert committees providing background material for the creation of a Heart Health Plan for Europe and has in this capacity collaborated with the European Society of Cardiology and the European Commission.