

**Jörg Ullmann** was born on November 30<sup>th</sup> in 1973 in Müritz and grew up in Karl-Marx-Stadt (now Chemnitz) in Saxony. He developed an interest for biology / ecology and started working in the “Station Junger Naturforscher” in various work groups when he was 10 years old. At the age of 13 he received the award “Bester Junger Naturforscher”, including an award-related journey to Yugoslavia. At the age of 16 he was head of a group of eco-activists.

After he received his Higher School Certificate and after he completed military service, he studied Biology in Leipzig, Oslo and Marburg, focusing on molecular biology, ecology and immunology. He is a certified “Project Manager and Commissioner for Biological Safety”. In addition to that, he successfully completed further studies for “Innovation and Leadership Management”.

Since 2004, he has been working in Klötze/Saxony-Anhalt for one of the largest microalgae farms of the world (Roquette Klötze GmbH & Co. KG) and became Managing Director in 2012. The company was honored with the “GHP Biotechnology Award” in 2018.

Even in his personal life, the diver and hobby chef, deals with the topic of “algae” and is a speaker on national and international congresses and an interview partner to press and tv. Jörg Ullmann publishes in various journals on a regular base and runs a blog “Die Welt der Algen”, started in 2013. His first book “Algen – Das gesunde Gemüse aus dem Meer”, which he wrote with his co-author Kirstin Knufmann, was released by KOSMOS-publishing house in April 2016. The book received the gold medal of the “Gastronomic Academy of Germany e.V.” in 2016. His book contribution “Algae” for the “Manual for Food Hygiene” was published by Behr’s publisher in 2017.

In 2016 he became the European representative of the Fundacion Atlantida/Colombia, which is a charity project that fights children’s malnutrition with microalgae.