

## ANNUAL DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (ADoI)

*(Please note that high quality of scientific expertise is by nature based on prior experience and that therefore having an interest does not necessarily mean having a conflict of interest)*

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**Current EFSA involvements:** Vice-Chair-GMO Panel 2012-2015 (GMO), Alternate member-Scientific Committee 2012-2015 (SC), Chair-Applications-Food and Feed (GMO), Member-Emerging Risks (Standing Working Group) (EMRISK)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
<b>I. Economic interest</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>II. Member of a management body or equivalent structure</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>III. Member of a scientific advisory body</b>	10/2010 - now	-Name: Joint Genomic Center	Member of External Advisory Board. The Joint Genomic Centre aims at stimulating the Bulgarian bio-economy (including production of high-value food products) through the application of genomics and other scientific methods. Activities include, among others, the provision of information about opportunities for participation of the Centre in international/transnational research programs.

	08/2002 - now	-Name: International Union for Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) – division VI – Chemistry of the Environment	Project team leader, member, and secretary of the Committee on Crop Protection Chemistry (secretary as per 09/2012). leader of two consecutive research projects on the impacts of altered pesticide used on GM crops, the first considering the general environmental impact and the second considering the potential impact on residue levels. This involves non-funded desktop activities, of which the outputs are to be published as reviews in accessible scientific literature. These activities do not involve advice on the safety of particular products to distinct bodies and/or authorities. Co-organizer of conferences on crop protection chemistry hosted by IUPAC.
	09/2000 - now	-Name: Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), Task Force for the Safety of Novel Foods and Feed	Vice-chair and national delegate. National Dutch delegate to the Task Force, participating in various activities, including the preparation of consensus documents (by co-authorship and provision of comments during internal rounds of commenting on draft consensus documents), provision of updates on national developments of potential interest to other Task Force members, and participation as vice-chair in the Bureau (management) of the Task Force. These activities do not involve advice on the safety of particular products to distinct advisory bodies and/or authorities.
	04/2011 - 11/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Hearing Expert - Applications-Molecular Characterisation (GMO)
	07/2009 - 07/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Vice-Chair - Applications-Food and Feed (GMO)
	07/2009 - 07/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - GMO Panel 2009-2012 (GMO)
	07/2009 - 07/2012	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member, GMO Panel 2009-2012 (GMO)
	02/2011 - 02/2012	-Name: National Institute for Public Health and Environment (RIVM)	Member of advisory board for a project on potential illegal introduction of GMOs in The Netherlands. Feedback is given to the authors on the progress and contents of their draft report on this topic.
	03/2010 - 12/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - GM Animals (AHAW)
	02/2009 - 12/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Vice-Chair - Guidance on human health risk assessment of GM animals (GMO)
	07/2009 - 11/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - 90-day feeding trials of whole food/feed (SC)
	04/2009 - 05/2011	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Self Task on Selection of comparators for the risk assessment of GM plants (GMO)
	12/2005 - 06/2010	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Assessment of Allergenicity of GM foods (GMO)
	03/2008 - 07/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - GMO Panel 2008-2009 (GMO)
	07/2003 - 07/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Ad-hoc member - Applications-Food and Feed (GMO)
	03/2009 - 06/2009	-Name: International Advisory Committee on the Establishment of a Bulgarian National Risk Assessment Structure for Food Safety	The International Advisory Committee advises the Bulgarian national authorities on how to set up a national risk assessment structure for food safety. Besides the expert, also representatives of other organizations, such as EFSA, JRC, and OIE are represented within this Committee. This activity is financially supported by the EU TAIEX program (program for supporting states in transit towards implementation of EU legislation).

	04/2006 - 04/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Strategies for Statistical Analysis of Data Generated for the Comparative Food Safety Evaluation of GMOs (GMO)
	09/2005 - 04/2009	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	Member - Guidance for the assessment of genetically modified plants used for non-food or non-feed purposes (GMO)
	07/2005 - 11/2008	-Name: French National Institute for Agricultural Research and the National Research Agency, Joint ANR-OGM program	Member of the scientific evaluation committee. Advice on the eligibility of project proposals for funding based on their scientific content.
<b>IV. Employment</b>	10/1999 - now	-Name: RIKILT – Institute of Food Safety, part of Wageningen University and Research Center	Employed at RIKILT –Institute of Food Safety, which, amongst others, advises the national government on the safety of GMOs for use in animal feed and food. This advisory activity, as is also mentioned in a separately declared item under IV (but then for the expert specifically), pertains to GMOs that have been notified for marketing approval in the EU and therefore may include the topical GMO. For those application dossiers for GMOs about which the expert has previously provided advice to its government, it will indicate this in its declaration of interests for these specific items and also disclose this interest at meetings during which the pertinent dossier application will be discussed. In addition, the national advice and that to EFSA have been separated at the staff level so that the expert advising EFSA does not provide advice anymore to the national government on the same dossier (as per October 2008). The expert has a role as a senior researcher and leader of scientific research projects (see "research funding")
	10/1999 - 10/2008	-Name: Employed by RIKILT – Institute of Food Safety. Provision of advice in the frame of EU procedures is provided to the national Bureau for GMOs (Dutch: “Bureau GGO”), which is the national counter for applications for GMO approvals under EU legislation	Provision of information by the expert's institute to the Dutch national authorities on the safety of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) for use as food and animal feed.  This activity pertained to GMOs that had been notified for approval under EU legislation, including the GM Food and Feed regulation 1829/2003/EC and directive 2001/18/EC on environmental releases of GMOs. The information provided by the institute to the authorities usually included an a document with a summary of the dossier besides proposed comments that were to be forwarded to EFSA in order to support the safety assessment process.  The expert was involved in the provision of scientific summaries of dossiers on GMOs provided to the authorities. The expert therefore only assisted the authorities with scientific information and was not involved in decision-making by the Dutch national authorities on GMOs at the policy level.
<b>V. Ad hoc or occasional consultancy</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>VI. Research funding</b>	08/2012 - now	-Name: EU Seventh Framework Program (DG RES, European Commission) (hide)	Coordinator, MARLON project (coordinating and supportive action) on the application of veterinary epidemiology for the monitoring of health of livestock fed GM feed. This activity does not receive (co-)funding from the private sector for the areas covered by the Panels.
	06/2012 - now	-Name: EU Seventh Framework Program (DG RES, European Commission)	Work Package leader and participant, GRACE project on the risk assessment and communication of evidence about GMOs (e.g. reviewing existing knowledge, evaluation of animal tests and in-vitro alternatives for testing GMO safety). This activity does not receive (co-)funding from the private sector for the areas covered by the Panels.

	10/2009 - now	-Name: EU Seventh Framework Program (DG RES, European Commission)	Participant in the EU-funded PEGASUS project on public perception of genetically modified animals and their advantages and disadvantages from various perspectives. Technical contributions to a foresights study on technological developments and the issues that are at stake from a life science perspective. Also participation in the management of the project, which is coordinated by Wageningen University and Research Centre in The Netherlands. I did not receive any (co-)funding from the private sector in the latest full budget year, and for the areas covered by the Panels
	10/1999 - now	-Name: RIKILT – Institute of Food Safety (research funded by Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality of The Netherlands)	Desk research on risks of GMOs. This activity is of general nature, focusing on international harmonization of the safety assessment of food and feed derived from genetically modified organisms. This also includes, for example, contributions to the Allermatch™ website for prediction of allergenicity of proteins. The funding for this research comes from the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs, Agriculture, and Innovation. In addition, for co-funded activities of the International Union for Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) on the impact of altered pesticide use on transgenic crops, IUPAC may provide remunerations for travel and accommodation costs. I did not receive any (co-)funding from the private sector in the latest full budget year, and for the areas covered by the Panels
	04/2004 - 06/2008	-Name: EU DG Research Sixth Framework Program; Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality; Dutch National Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority	Participant in the SAFE FOODS project (funded by EU DG RES FP6), actively involved in, for example, Work Package 2 on emerging risks, Work Package 6 on a new risk analysis approach, a training course (on risk analysis and emerging risks), and the daily management team. Author and co-author of various publications on emerging risks and risk analysis, as well as a training module. Participation also in various parallel, Dutch national projects on emerging risks funded by the Ministry and by the Authority (e.g. a policy support project and the EMRISK project)
<b>VII. Intellectual property rights</b>			NO INTEREST
<b>VIII. Other membership or affiliation</b>	02/2011 - now	-Name: Frontiers in Plant Biotechnology	Reviewing editor for manuscripts in the field of biosafety research; this is a new journal in the series of Frontiers journals
	04/2009 - now	-Name: American Chemical Society, Agrochemicals Division	Affiliate member on behalf of IUPAC
	04/2009 - now	-Name: Pesticide Science Society of Japan	Science of crop protection chemistry; member of editorial board of the Journal of Pesticide Science published by this society
	04/2009 - now	-Name: Journal of Pesticide Science	Member of Editorial Board.
	01/2007 - now	-Name: Journal of Environmental Science and Health, Part B (Pesticides, Food Contaminants, and Agricultural Wastes)	Member of Editorial Board.
	01/2004 - now	-Name: United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and similar activities in the frame of bilateral twinning activities with EU partner states	Trainer. Capacity building on the issue of the safety assessment of GM food and feed for an international training course provided by UNIDO in collaboration with local universities.
	01/2000 - 09/2008	-Name: Dutch National Biotechnology Industry Association (NIABA), Committee on Legislation and Regulation	Observer. Attendance as non-active observer of meetings of this committee, where the latest national developments in biotech regulation are discussed.

<b>IX. Other relevant interest</b>	01/2005 - now	-Name: Various scientific journals	Reviewer. Referee for manuscripts submitted to these journals *(comments provided as part of the peer-review process). Guest editor for supplements on the outcomes of the SAFE FOODS project for the journals Food & Chemical Toxicology and Food Control *) Recent examples of journals include Frontiers in Plant Biotechnology; Journal of Cereal Science; PLOSOne; Journal of Consumer Protection and Food Safety; Food and Chemical Toxicology; Animal; Critical Reviews in Food Science and Nutrition; Environmental Monitoring and Assessment; World Mycotoxin Journal; Crop Protection; and Nature Biotechnology.
<b>X. Interests of close family members</b>			NO INTEREST

I hereby declare that I have read both the Guidance Document on Declarations of Interests and the Procedure for identifying and handling potential conflict of interests and that the above Declaration of Interests is complete.

Date: 28/01/2013      Signature: **SIGNED**