

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: Member-BIOHAZ Panel 2015-2018 (BIOHAZ), Member-BIOHAZ WG on negligible risk classical scrapie (EFSA-Q-2015-240, EFSA-Q-2015-261, EFSA-Q-2015-262) (BIOHAZ), Member-Biohaz WG on BSE-Croatia (BIOHAZ), Member-Biological Relevance (SC)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
I. Economic interest			NO INTEREST
II. Member of a managing entity or equivalent structure			NO INTEREST
III. Member of a scientific advisory entity			NO INTEREST

IV. Employment	12/1996 - now	-Name: Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale di Piemonte Liguria e Valle d'Aosta (IZSPLVA)	<p>IZSPLVA is a public laboratory in charge of official analyses, risk assessment and epidemiological activities in the fields of food safety, animal health. No activities of risk management are carried out.</p> <p>head of the unit of Biostatistics, Epidemiology and Analysis of Risk (BEAR) head of the epidemiology section of the Italian Reference Center for Animal TSE</p> <p>main activities: design of surveillance programmes, statistical data analysis, epidemiological activities, teaching in epidemiology at the school of veterinary medicine, university of Turin</p>
V. Occasional consultancy	09/2013 - 01/2015	-Name: European Commission, Bruxelles, ITALY	<p>Without any economical compensation, I was asked by the European Commission (Dr- Plantady and coll.) to provide "informal comments on the applications from Austria and Denmark (2013) and from Finland and Sweden (2014) to be recognised as having a classical scrapie negligible risk status. In particular help was requested in evaluating the requirement that: "for a period of at least seven years, a sufficient number of ovine and caprine animals over 18 months of age, representative of slaughtered, culled or found dead on farm, have been tested annually, to provide a 95 percent level of confidence of detecting classical scrapie if it is present in that population at a prevalence rate exceeding 0,1 percent and no case of classical scrapie has been reported during that period;"</p> <p>The original request was: Would you be willing to provide us with informal comments on this specific point?</p> <p>The consultancy ended by January 2015.</p> <p>(note: as a country in the above field related to the organization (EU Commission" I entered Italy as the EU is not in the list)</p>
VI. Research funding	04/2015 - now	-Name: Animal Health and Welfare ERA-Net (ANIHWA) - Italian Ministry of Health	<p>Development of SPatial risk assessment framework for Assessing exotic disease incuRsion and spread through Europe (SPARE)</p> <p>The ANIHWA ERA-net consortium consists of 30 partner organisations from 19 countries: Member State Countries (17); Associated Countries (2). The consortium will be led by INRA, FR. The Consortium represents the leading national financing bodies for Animal Health And Animal Welfare research in the EU</p>
	12/2014 - now	-Name: EFSA, European Food Safety Authority, Italy, Parma	<p>My research group at IZSVE along with the Universities of Padua and Torino and a private IT company, Zeta Research, have been appointed for the Service contract "Machine learning techniques applied in risk assessment related to food safety" (OC/EFSA/AMU/2014/02). The budget for this project is € 385.000. I'm the scientific coordinator of the project.</p>
	10/2013 - now	-Name: Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale di Piemonte Liguria e Valle d'Aosta (IZSPLVA), Torino, Italy	<p>A combination of surveys, spatial analyses and molecular epidemiology to get an insight of pre-harvest risks from Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli.</p> <p>Ricerca Finalizzata IZSPLV 10F04 with 100% funding from Italian Ministry of Health</p>

	10/2013 - now	-Name: Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale di Piemonte Liguria e Valle d'Aosta (IZSPLVA), Torino, Italy	Monitoring the effectiveness and the impact on food safety of an intervention of simplification in small food businesses. Ricerca Corrente IZSPLV 21/12RC with 100% funding from Italian Ministry of Health
	11/2011 - now	-Name: IZSPLVA Istituto Zooprofilattico Piemonte Liguria Valle d'Aosta	Investigation on persistent organic pollutants and livestock in Piedmont Region 100% public funding from Piedmont Regional Agricultural Directorate
	10/2012 - 09/2015	-Name: IZSPLVA Istituto Zooprofilattico Piemonte Liguria Valle d'Aosta	Risk assessment regarding POPs in polluted areas: mathematical models and protocols of health intervention Ricerca Corrente IZSPLV 19/11RC with 100% public funding from Italian Ministry of Health
	10/2011 - 09/2014	-Name: IZSPLVA Istituto Zooprofilattico Piemonte Liguria Valle d'Aosta	Epidemiological study on the impact of the genetic selection on the frequency of sheep scrapie in Italy Ricerca Corrente IZSPLV 19/10RC with 100% funding from Italian Ministry of Health
	01/2007 - 07/2011	-Name: Italian Ministry of Health	- spatial analysis of scrapie in Italy - cross sectional study of ovine scrapie in sarda breed
	06/2006 - 12/2010	-Name: EU	Neuroprion, task "control and risk" Involvement in the following research project: - epidemiological analysis of European BSE trends - multicentric epidemiological study on atypical scrapie - risk perception and communication of BSE risk within the frame of the EU TSE roadmap
VII. Intellectual property rights			NO INTEREST
VIII. Other memberships or affiliations	04/2004 - now	-Name: AEEMA Association pour l'Etude de l'Epidémiologie des Maladies Animales	veterinary epidemiology
	01/2002 - now	-Name: SVEPM - Society of Veterinary Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine	veterinary epidemiology
	01/2000 - now	-Name: Italian Association of Epidemiology	epidemiology
IX. Other relevant interest			NO INTEREST
X. Interests of close family members			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: 19/10/2015 Signature: **SIGNED**

