

Declaration of interests

(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)

Name : **Rebeca FERNANDEZ**

Title: **Dr.**

Profession : **Director Food Safety, Research & Innovation**

Current EFSA Involvements

- Management Board (2022-2026)

Interests

I. Financial investments

No interests

II. Managerial role

No interests

III. Member of a scientific advisory entity

No interests

IV. Employment

Period: **01/09/2014 - now**
Organisation: FoodDrinkEurope, Brussels
Impact on annual earnings: **>25%**

Subject matter: FoodDrinkEurope is servicing the horizontal interests of the European food and drink manufacturing industry from the commercial, technical, economic, legal and scientific points of view.

I am currently responsible for coordinating FoodDrinkEurope's work in food safety and food science, in areas such as contaminants in food, pesticide residues, food hygiene, food contact materials, food improvement agents and novel foods.

Interest related to close family member: **No**

V. Occasional consultancy

No interests

VI. Research funding

Period: **01/11/2017 - 01/12/2020**
Organisation: European Union, Horizon 2020

Subject matter: FIT4FOOD2030 “Fostering Integration and Transformation for FOOD 2030”. FoodDrinkEurope was a partner in the project. Grant agreement ID: 774088.
Interest related to close family member: **No**

Does the funding received from the private sector during the two years preceding the submission of the ADoI exceeds 25% of the total research budget that is managed by you for the area under concern: **No**

Additional Info:

Period: **01/01/2024 - 31/12/2026**
Organisation: European Union, Horizon 2020

Subject matter: CATALYSE “Catalysing scientific innovation into food safety action”. FoodDrinkEurope is a partner in the project. Grant agreement ID: 101136754
Interest related to close family member: **No**

Does the funding received from the private sector during the two years preceding the submission of the ADoI exceeds 25% of the total research budget that is managed by you for the area under concern: **No**

Additional Info:

Period: **01/09/2018 - 01/08/2021**

Organisation: European Union, Horizon 2020

Subject matter: SMARTCHAIN “Towards Innovation - driven and smart solutions in short food supply chains”. FoodDrinkEurope was a partner in the project. Grant agreement ID: 773785.

Interest related to close family member: **No**

Does the funding received from the private sector during the two years preceding the submission of the ADoI exceeds 25% of the total research budget that is managed by you for the area under concern: **No**

Additional Info:

Period: **01/06/2022 - 01/11/2025**

Organisation: European Union, Horizon 2020

Subject matter: FOODPathS “Co-creating the prototype Sustainable FOOD Systems PArTnersHip“. FoodDrinkEurope is a partner in the project. Grant agreement ID: 101059497

Interest related to close family member: **No**

Does the funding received from the private sector during the two years preceding the submission of the ADoI exceeds 25% of the total research budget that is managed by you for the area under concern: **No**

Additional Info:

Period: **01/01/2021 - 01/12/2023**

Organisation: European Union, Horizon 2020

Subject matter: FOODSAFETY4EU “Multistakeholder platform for food safety in Europe”. FoodDrinkEurope is a partner in the project. Grant agreement ID: 101000613.

Interest related to close family member: **No**

Does the funding received from the private sector during the two years preceding the submission of the ADoI exceeds 25% of the total research budget that is managed by you for the area under concern: **No**

Additional Info:

Period: **01/01/2016 - 01/02/2018**

Organisation: European Union, Horizon 2020

Subject matter: PROSO “Promoting societal engagement under the terms of RRI”. FoodDrinkEurope was a partner in the project. Grant agreement ID: 665947

Interest related to close family member: **No**

Does the funding received from the private sector during the two years preceding the submission of the ADoI exceeds 25% of the total research budget that is managed by you for the area under concern: **No**

Additional Info:

VII. Intellectual property rights

No interests

VIII. Other memberships or affiliations

No interests

IX. Other relevant interest

Period: **01/01/2019 - now**

Organisation: Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

Subject matter: FACCE-JPI develops research programmes on sustainable agriculture, food security and impacts of climate change. I am Chair (representing FoodDrinkEurope/ETP ‘Food for Life’) of the Stakeholder Advisory Board.

Interest related to close family member: **No**

Period: **01/01/2019 - now**

Organisation: Joint Programming Initiative “A Healthy Diet for a Healthy Life”

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

Subject matter: JPI HDHL develops research programmes about the relationship between diet, physical activity and health. I represent FoodDrinkEurope/ETP ‘Food for Life’ in the Stakeholder Advisory Board.

Interest related to close family member: **No**

User Agreement

I confirm that:

- I think I do not have a conflict of interest with respect to my activity(ies) at EFSA
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Remarks: -

I hereby declare that I have read the [EFSA Decision on Competing Interest Management](#) implementing EFSA’s Policy on Independence and that the above declaration is truthful and complete.

Doi submitted on: 31-10-2024 - 14:09 (UTC)

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