

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 : **Martin ŠTĚPÁNEK**

Title: **MR.**

Profession : **Senior council of ministers, director of the department**

Current EFSA Involvements

- Management Board (2022-2026)

Interests

I. Financial investments

No interests

II. Managerial role

Period: **01/06/2019 - now**

Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture

Impact on annual earnings: **>25%**

Subject matter: Director of the Food Department, responsible for the Food Act and implementing regulations, coordination of supervision in the area of food law

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

III. Member of a scientific advisory entity

No interests

IV. Employment

Period: **01/01/2002 - now**

Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture

Impact on annual earnings: **>25%**

Subject matter: Full-time, salaried position in which he deals with food law issues, food product quality policy issues, implementation of legislative requirements into national law and a wide range of substantive European agricultural and food product quality schemes. He is involved in extensive revisions of both European and national food law, as well as in the development of food standards, the national food quality program and the coordination of consumer protection within the Ministry of Agriculture. In the EU body, he worked as a national expert in the Working Group on Food, the Working Group on Quality Schemes and the Working Group on Codex Alimentarius. At the same time, he is long-term engaged in lecturing and educational activities aimed at food business operators, with the aim of implementing and adapting existing changes in food law and also the potential of subsidy policy in the area of food technology modernization.

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

V. Occasional consultancy

No interests

VI. Research funding

No interests

VII. Intellectual property rights

No interests

VIII. Other memberships or affiliations

Period: **01/01/2022 - now**

Organisation: Food Research Institute Prague

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

Subject matter: chairman of the supervisory board of a public research institution, the supervisory board supervises the activities and management of the public research institution; and supervises the management of the property of a public research institution

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

IX. Other relevant interest

No interests

User Agreement

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Remarks: -

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