

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 : **Szabolcs PASZTOR**

Title: **MR.**

Profession : **Veterinarian**

Current EFSA Involvements

- Management Board (2022-2026)

Interests

I. Financial investments

No interests

II. Managerial role

Period: **01/09/2018 - 01/11/2022**

Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary

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

Subject matter: Head of the Office of the Chief Veterinary Officer.

Managing the operative and strategic tasks falling within the remit of the Chief Veterinary Officer, including overseeing the functioning of the National Food Chain Safety Office (NFCSO), international trade relations and EU affairs.

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

Period: **01/11/2022 - 14/09/2025**

Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary

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

Subject matter: Chief Veterinary Officer.

Managing the operative and strategic tasks falling within the remit of the Hungarian competent food chain safety authority, including overseeing the functioning of the National Food Chain Safety Office (NFCSO), international trade relations and EU affairs.

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

Period: **15/09/2025 - now**

Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary

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

Subject matter: Head of the Department of Food Chain Control. Managing the legislative tasks falling within the remit of food and feed safety and animal health and welfare. Overseeing international relations and liaising with the EU institutions and competent authorities of third countries and stakeholders within the food chain.

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

III. Member of a scientific advisory entity

No interests

IV. Employment

Period: **01/11/2022 - 14/09/2025**

Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary

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

Subject matter: Chief Veterinary Officer.

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

Period: **01/09/2018 - 01/11/2022**

Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary

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

Subject matter: Head of the Office of the Chief Veterinary Officer.

Managing the operative and strategic tasks falling within the remit of the Chief Veterinary Officer, including overseeing the functioning of the National Food Chain Safety Office (NFCSO), International trade relations and EU affairs.

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

Period: **01/08/2018 - 01/07/2021**

Organisation: Permanent representation of Hungary, Brussel

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

Subject matter: Veterinary and Foodstuffs Attaché.

Representing Hungary within the EU decision making procedure in the fields of animal health and welfare and food safety.

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

Period: **15/09/2025 - now**

Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary

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

Subject matter: Head of the Department of Food Chain Control. Managing the legislative tasks falling within the remit of food and feed safety and animal health and welfare.

Overseeing international relations and liaising with the EU institutions and competent authorities of third countries and stakeholders within the food chain.

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

No interests

IX. Other relevant interest

No interests

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