

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 : **Katharina Kluge**
Title: -
Profession : **Veterinarian**

Current EFSA Involvements

No involvements

Interests

I. Financial investments

No interests

II. Managerial role

No interests

III. Member of a scientific advisory entity

No interests

IV. Employment

Period: **30/04/2003 - now**

Organisation: Bundesministerium für Landwirtschaft, Ernährung und Heimat

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

Subject matter: Employee of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Regional Identity of Germany. Since 1th July 2024 as head of the department Animal Health and Animal Welfare, before that as head of unit animal welfare, both areas related to the work of EFSA. The tasks include the preparation of political decisions in these areas.

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

User Agreement

I confirm that:

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

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.

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Signature: SIGNED

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