

# 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 : **PANAGIOTIS SKANDAMIS**

Title: **MR.**

Profession : -

## Current EFSA Involvements

- Hearing Expert - CEP Panel Experts (2018-2024)
- Member - BIOHAZ Panel Experts (2018-2024)
- Vice Chair - WG/P/CEP/2018/04 - WG on evaluation of substances used to reduce microbial contamination from products of animal origin
- Member - WG/P/BIOHAZ/2021/02 - Water in post-harvest processing ffFVHs
- Member - WG/P/BIOHAZ/2022/02 - Persistence of microbiological hazards in food and feed production and processing environments

## Interests

### I. Financial investments

No interests

### II. Managerial role

No interests

### III. Member of a scientific advisory entity

Period: **05/07/2021 - 31/07/2024**

Organisation: **Hellenic Food Safety Authority**

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

*Subject matter:* Member of Scientific Advisory Committee of HFSA, public agency of the Greek Government. The role of the scientific advisory committee is to carry out scientific reports on risk assessment of food issues aspects mandated by the Greek Government

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Period: **01/05/2020 - 01/06/2020**

Organisation: **EFET - Ellenic Food Authority**

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

*Subject matter:* Participation in a scientific team, named "task force" for Covid019 in Greece, compiled of epidemiologists, medical doctors, food safety inspectors and industrial representatives, upon joint invitation from the Greek Food Safety Authority and the Federation. The work is co-ordinated by the Greek Food Safety Authority. The objective of the task force is to draft guideline documents for the Food Sector, strictly focussing on the prevention of human to human transmission, between personnel and customers in food processing and catering facilities. My contribution will be to comment on the parts (if any) of the documents related to the exposure and/or severity and to offer assistance in drafting cleaning and sanitation protocols.

## IV. Employment

Period: **16/01/2016 - now**

Organisation: **Agricultural University of Athens**

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

*Subject matter:* 1. Teaching theoretical and laboratory courses on Food Hygiene, Food Microbiology, Predictive Food Microbiology, Quantitative Microbial Risk Assessment, Food Quality Control, HACCP and Food Safety Management Systems, at under-graduate (BSc) and graduate (Master) students. 2. Supervising Thesis of BSc (40), MSc (25) and PhD students (8). 3. Co-ordinating research funded by FP 6 and 7 and National Grants funded by General Secretary of Research and Technology, or directly by the Greek Food Industry. 4. Writing scientific publications in SCI journals and book chapters. Extracting and analyzing data for literature review and meta-analysis. 5. Administrative tasks: member in the committee for assessment of scientific equipment supply, member in the committee for the development of the 5-years course of "Food Science & Technology" diploma, member of the committee for hygienic operation of school canteen. 6. External evaluator of PhD Thesis of graduate students in Greece, Belgium and Denmark. 7. Editorial Board of SCI journals.

## V. Occasional consultancy

No interests

## VI. Research funding

Period: **05/07/2022 - 05/07/2026**

Organisation: **EU funding**

*Subject matter:* Scientific responsible for AUA research team (250.000 euro) in the following HORIZON 2021 project: A JOINED-UP APPROACH TO THE IDENTIFICATION, ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING FOOD SAFETY HAZARDS and ASSOCIATED RISKS (FoodSafeR). The project is funded under the call: HORIZON-CL6-2021-FARM2FORK-01 (Fair, healthy and environmentally-friendly food systems from primary production to consumption), Topic: HORIZON-CL6-2021-FARM2FORK-01-16, Type of Action: HORIZON-RIA. I hereby declare that my involvement to the project rests with the scientific assessment of genotypic and phenotypic

traits of current and emerging risks, independently of industrial interests and thus, does not conflict with my involvement in the WG on self-task about persistence of biological hazards in the food supply chain.

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

*Additional Info:*

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Period: **01/06/2019 - 01/08/2021**

Organisation: **PRIMA call, GSRT\_EU (Horizon)**

*Subject matter:* Member of the AUA research team (222.000 euro) in the following PRIMA project: Innovative Bio-interventions and Risk Modelling Approaches for Ensuring Microbial Safety and Quality of Mediterranean Artisanal Fermented Foods. The PRIMA funding agency via our national focal point will deposit the money to my University without any additional funding by the private sector. I hereby confirm that neither the project nor my particular involvement are relevant to the WG on the use of "tubs" for fresh fishery products. My contribution to the project rests with the application of active packaging solutions and particularly edible films as vectors of plant antimicrobials for reduction of pathogens and shelf life extension of a traditional sausage and an artisanal cheese.

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

*Additional Info:*

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Period: **01/02/2019 - 01/10/2019**

Organisation: **Coca Cola Bottling GmbH**

*Subject matter:* Scientific responsible of AUA team for carrying out a proposal based on contract between the Agricultural University of Athens and Coca Cola Hellas to evaluate the microbial stability of plant-based beverages containing fruits (28.000 euros). The company will fund the University and i will co-ordinate the research needed to address the deliverables of the contract. I will receive no money as remuneration or salary out of this project. Budget will be allocated to 2 post-doctoral fellows, consumables and two trips.

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

*Additional Info:*

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Period: **01/10/2018 - 01/09/2020**

Organisation: **General Secretary of Research & Technology (GSRT)**

*Subject matter:* Scientific Responsible of the AUA research team for the following National Research Project: "1111-02087, CHEESEART: Application of multiple -omic technologies and bioinformatic tools for increasing the added value and improving the competitiveness of Greek traditional cheeses (222.000 euros)". The

budget i will receive in the above project will be exclusively provided by General Secretary of Research and Technology (GSRT 90% via EU and 10% by National Funds) to implement the work and deliverable assigned to my team according to the description of work (DOW). The GSRT will deposit the money to my University without any additional funding by the private sector.

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

*Additional Info:*

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Period: **01/07/2018 - 01/08/2020**

Organisation: **General Secretary of Research & Technology (GSRT)**

*Subject matter:* Scientific Responsible of the AUA research team for the following National Research Project: "1111-00968, BIOTRUST: Development of functional dairy products by taking advantage of their microbial diversity and manipulating the fermentation based on natural microbial ecology (155.000 euros)". The budget i will receive in the above project will be exclusively provided by General Secretary of Research and Technology (GSRT 90% via EU and 10% by National Funds) to implement the work and deliverable assigned to my team according to the description of work (DOW). The GSRT will deposit the money to my University without any additional funding by the private sector.

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Period: **01/06/2018 - 01/05/2021**

Organisation: **General Secretary of Research & Technology (GSRT)**

*Subject matter:* Scientific Responsible of the research team of my laboratory (Food Quality Control & Hygiene) in AUA for the following National Research Project: "T1EDK-03177 - NOVO-MEAT: Novel design and application of state-of-the art technologies for the development of new generation meat products using olive oil for microbial stability and optimized nutritional and quality characteristics" (164.000 euros). The budget i will receive in the above project will be exclusively provided by General Secretary of Research and Technology (GSRT 90% via EU and 10% by National Funds) to implement the work and deliverable assigned to my team according to the description of work (DOW). The GSRT will deposit the money to my University without any additional funding by the private sector

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Period: **01/01/2018 - 01/12/2020**

Organisation: **General Secretary of Research & Technology (GSRT)**

*Subject matter:* Co-ordinator of the following National Research Project: "T1???-01106: Development of digital platform of microbiological, chemical and multispectral data for food quality and safety". (268.000 euros) The budget i receive in the above project will be exclusively provided by General Secretary of Research and Technology (GSRT 90% via EU and 10% by National Funds) to implement the work and deliverable assigned to my team according to the description of work (DOW). The GSRT will deposit the money to my University without any additional funding by the private sector.

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

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Period: **01/01/2018 - 01/12/2020**

Organisation: **General Secretary of Research & Technology (GSRT)**

*Subject matter:* Scientific Responsible of the AUA research team for the following National Research Project: "?1???-05339, GreenBread: Development of novel bakery products with improved sensory properties and higher shelf life, using microorganisms of technological interest". (218.000 euros) The budget i will receive in the above project will be exclusively provided by General Secretary of Research and Technology (GSRT 90% via EU and 10% by National Funds) to implement the work and deliverable assigned to my team according to the description of work (DOW). The GSRT will deposit the money to my University without any additional funding by the private sector.

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

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Period: **01/01/2018 - 01/12/2020**

Organisation: **General Secretary of Research & Technology (GSRT)**

*Subject matter:* Scientific Responsible of the research team of my laboratory (Food Quality Control & Hygiene) in AUA for the following National Research Project: "?1???-02735: Exploitation of pasta-industry by-products for production of biodegradable biopolymers for application of active packaging of foods". (150.000 euros) The budget i will receive in the above project will be exclusively provided by General Secretary of Research and Technology (GSRT 90% via EU and 10% by National Funds) to implement the work and deliverable assigned to my team according to the description of work (DOW). The GSRT will deposit the money to my University without any additional funding by the private sector.

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*Additional Info:*

## VII. Intellectual property rights

No interests

## VIII. Other memberships or affiliations

Period: **01/01/2017 - now**

Organisation: **International Association for Food Protection**

Impact on annual earnings: **<5%**

*Subject matter:* Scientific Editor: I am serving as Scientific Co-Editor of the “Journal of Food Protection” for the period 2017-2019 (1st term). I am handling papers on Food Safety, assigning reviewers, collecting their evaluations and issuing acceptance, revision or rejection decisions.

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Period: **01/04/2015 - 01/06/2021**

Organisation: **International Association for Food Protection**

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

*Subject matter:* Member of the Organizing and Scientific Committee of the European International Association for Food Protection 2015-2017 (conference in Cardiff [April 2015], Athens [11-13 May 2016], Brussels [12-14th of April 2017] and Nantes [24-26 April 2019]). Evaluation of extended abstracts for their suitability to the conference as oral or poster presentation. I am re-appointed as member of the organizing committee of the EUIAFP for 2018. I received and will receive no money for that.

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Period: **01/04/2013 - now**

Organisation: **ICPMF series of conferences**

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

*Subject matter:* Member of the Scientific Committee of the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and now for the 13th to be held in Sapporo (Japan) in 2023, usually every 2 years. My tasks include the evaluation of extended abstracts for their suitability to the conference as oral or poster presentation. I received no money for this activity

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Period: **01/01/2012 - 31/12/2016**

Organisation: **ELSEVIER**

Impact on annual earnings: **<5%**

*Subject matter:* Scientific Editor: Associate Editor in the division of Food Microbiology, Safety and Quality of the Journal “Food Research International” for the period 2010-2016. I handled papers on Food Safety, assigning reviewers, collecting their evaluations and issuing acceptance, revision or rejection decisions.

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Period: **01/01/2012 - now**

Organisation: **ELSEVIER**

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

*Subject matter:* Editorial Board Member

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Period: **01/01/2010 - now**

Organisation: **American Society for Microbiology (ASM)**

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

*Subject matter:* Editorial Board Member in the 5th term, at present (August 2021)

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Period: **01/09/2004 - now**

Organisation: **International Association for Food Protection**

Impact on annual earnings: **0%**

*Subject matter:* IAFP member till now (August 2021)

## IX. Other relevant interest

No interests

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## 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.

Doi submitted on: 10-04-2022 - 13:44 (UTC)

Signature: SIGNED

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