

Assessment of the interests declared pursuant to Article 13(2) of the Rules of Procedure of the EFSA Management Board

The present note provides an assessment on whether the interests newly declared by Board members before their 72nd meeting represent a potential conflict in accordance with EFSA's internal rules and Code of Conduct. Based on this assessment, the Board should reach a conclusion and where appropriate recommend a follow-up.

The following evaluation concerns newly declared interests. The advice takes into account the employment and activities of the member, his/her role in the Board and the responsibilities of the Board in view of the fact that, in terms of impact on EFSA's business, it primarily looks at the regularity of the appointment and selection processes of EFSA's Scientific Committee or Panels and of EFSA's outsourcing programmes.

If an identified conflict that is substantially affecting the work of the Board or EFSA's reputation is not resolved by the proposed assessment and a member of the Board is not fulfilling his/her obligations in relation to independence in such a manner that this is substantially affecting the work of the Board, the Board, acting on a two-thirds majority, may ask for his or her replacement¹.

Michael Winter

DoI submission date: 16 March 2017

New declared interest: Member of the Scientific Committee of the Periodical for all Food Law (ZLR -Zeitschrift für das gesamte Lebensmittelrecht) since March 2014. Member of the Scientific Society for Food Law (Wissenschaftliche Gesellschaft für das Lebensmittelrecht) since January 2015.

Assessment: ZLR is a publication specialised in food law. Mr Winter is a member of the ZLR's Scientific Committee and he provides advices for the organisation of the annual "German Food Law Day" conference. This activity is unrelated to the tasks he carries out as a member of the EFSA Management Board. The Scientific Society for Food Law is a learned organisation aimed at promoting science and research in the area of food law, both at national and EU level. The Management Board primarily looks at the regularity and legality of EFSA's processes. Hence, it is unlikely that these interests may lead to a conflict of interest.

Annex:

- DoI Michael Winter

¹ Article 15 of the Rules of Procedure of the Management Board.

ANNUAL DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (ADoI)

(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: WINTER, Michael

Title: Dr.

Profession: Food chemist

Current EFSA involvements: Member-Management Board (MB)

Nature of Activities	Period	Organisation	Subject matter
I. Economic interest			NO INTEREST
II. Member of a managing entity or equivalent structure			NO INTEREST
III. Member of a scientific advisory entity	03/2014 - now	-Name: Zeitschrift für das gesamte Lebensmittelrecht -ZLR (ZLR), Magazine for Food Law, Frankfurt, GERMANY	ZLR is the Leading Magazine for Food Law in Germany. It is the Organizer of the annual conference Deutscher Lebensmittelrechtstag (German Food Law Day). Member of the scientific committee. Task: to give advice to the organizer on interesting Topics to be discussed or presented at that conference.
IV. Employment	12/1989 - now	-Name: Federal Ministry for Food and Agriculture	Government, www.verbraucherschutzministerium.de
V. Occasional consultancy			NO INTEREST
VI. Research funding			NO INTEREST

VII. Intellectual property rights			NO INTEREST
VIII. Other memberships or affiliations	01/2015 - now	-Name: Wissenschaftliche Gesellschaft für das Lebensmittelrecht; Scientific Society for Food Law	Promotion of Science and Research in the Field of German and European Food law. Member.
IX. Other relevant interest			NO INTEREST
X. Interests of close family members			NO INTEREST

Involvements	Potential CoI (*)	Funding (**)
Management Board	No	-

(*) - Indicates that you consider yourself to be in a potential Conflict of Interest (CoI) with respect to the EFSA activity.

(**) - Indicates that the research (co-)funding received from the private sector during the last budgetary year exceeds 25% of the average annual research budget that is managed by you for the area under concern or that is otherwise benefiting you, including research funding by your organisation.

I hereby declare that I have read both the Guidance Document on Declarations of Interests and the Procedure for identifying and handling potential conflict of interests and that the above Declaration of Interests is complete.

Date: 16/03/2017 Signature: **SIGNED**