

Personal information

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Nationality

Romanian

Date of birth

20.02.1976

Gender

Female

Work experience

Dates

From December 2014 to date

Occupation or position held

Main activities and responsibilities

Scientific officer

- My primary responsibilities are to support the European Commission's Zoonoses Monitoring (Directive 2003/99/E). I am one of the key coordinators of the zoonoses, antimicrobial resistance and food-borne outbreaks data collection annual reports that are used by the European Commission to monitor and manage risks related to animal health. To ensure that EFSA receives the highest quality data from member states I have delivered training on electronic zoonoses data reporting for more than 400 experts from 20 Member States and 5 pre-accessing countries. In additional, to ensure that reporting countries follow harmonised and standardised processes, I actively support them with their data collection and data delivery. Every year I co-ordinate and author 5 reporting manuals on data collection that are used by all countries to report their data and by all experts involved. Once EFSA has received the data, I am one of the key contributors to the reporting, especially for data validation, analysis and interpretation. I draft specific chapters of the European Union Summary Report on Zoonoses and food-borne outbreaks, and of the European Union Summary Report on Antimicrobial Resistance. I closely collaborate with experts and the ECDC in the reporting process.
- In 2014 I was the co-ordinator of a working group set up for the new data collection on veterinary medicinal products residues. In addition, when this WG was set up, I drafted the reporting guidelines that play a key role in the annual reporting to European Commission. The guidelines were well received.
- In 2017 I authored the EFSA Reporting guidelines for 2018 Transmissible Sponigiform Encephalopathy data. These guidelines were well received too.

Name and address of employer

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Via Carlo Magno, 1A, 43126, Parma, Italy

Type of business or sector

EFSA is responsible for the risk assessment, and also has a duty to communicate its scientific findings to the public. As the risk assessor, EFSA produces scientific opinions and advice that form the basis for European policies and legislation.

Dates

From November 2010 to November 2014

Occupation or position held

Scientific officer as Seconded National Expert at EFSA

Main activities and responsibilities

- My primary role was the coordination, checking and drafting of the EU Summary Report on zoonoses and foodborne outbreaks as well as antimicrobial resistance in cooperation with unit colleagues and ECDC colleagues.
- I gave significant input to the revision of the zoonotic reporting manuals.
- I was a key contributor to the validation of zoonoses, antimicrobial resistance and foodborne outbreaks datasets. A large part of the success in getting good quality and reliable data was my due to my ability to communicate effectively with the Member States' reporters and reporting officers
- I coordinated the working group on meat inspection of farmed game for which I had to
 contribute to the report writing. I was also responsible for the management and coordination
 of the working group to ensure that appropriate processes and regulations were followed
 and that we delivered on time.

Name and address of employer Hygiene and Veterinary Public Health Institute, no 5, Campul Mosilor Street, 021201, Bucharest, Romania

Dates

From March 2006 to November 2014

Occupation or position held

Veterinarian as civil servant

Main activities and responsibilities

As veterinary civil servant I developed both my scientific and soft skills whilst taking on more responsibilities with time. My evolved from national role to one where I lead on international collaborations including with EFSA. My task included:

- Data collection and analysis for zoonoses, zoonotic agent, foodborne outbreaks as well as antimicrobial resistance.
- Drafting and finalising the reporting guidelines for harmonisation of zoonoses data collection and reporting.
- Training the personnel of laboratories involved in data collection and reporting.
- Writing the quarterly and annual national reports on trends and sources of zoonoses.
- Key participant and active promoter in the implementation and harmonisation of the European legislation in Romania.
- I coordinated the implementation of an electronic system for zoonoses data reporting in all 42 reporting regions of Romania.
- Collaboration with EFSA, the European Commission and European Reference Laboratories.
- One of the primary contact people for Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed.
- I was the designated person for risk communication in my area.
- EFSA contact person for microbiological risk assessment.

Name and address of employer **Hygiene and Veterinary Public Health Institute**, no 5, Campul Mosilor Street, 021201, Bucharest, Romania

Type of business or sector

National reference laboratory, activities of guidance, technical co-ordination and control of the country SVFS laboratories, sanitary veterinary expertise for animal origin foodstuffs, carrying out results confirmation for laboratory testing

Dates

From October 2002 to March 2006

Occupation or position held

Veterinary practitioner

Main activities and responsibilities

I extensive have hand ons practical experience where I learnt about real life practice and procedures. This is invaluable to my subsequent career especially as I understand the impact of my scientific work on the veterinarians it affects. Further I feel that I am far more pragamatic as a result of this experience.

- Veterinary practitioner and assistance for pets and small animals.
- Collection of samples from food-producing animals in the framework of the National Strategic Plan for zoonoses control.

Name and address of employer **Department for Sanitary Veterinary and Food Safety Directorate**, no 5, Valea Argesului Street, 061932, Bucharest, Romania

Type of business or sector

Veterinary assistance

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Education and training

Education

2002-2009

PhD thesis

Principal subjects/occupational skills covered

Thesis title: "The monitoring of chemical residues in certain foodstuffs of animal origin". Public veterinary health

Name and type of organisation providing education and training

University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Bucharest Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Bucharest

1996-2002

Veterinary physician

Principal subjects/occupational skills covered

Food safety and veterinary public health, veterinary assistance

Name and type of organisation providing education and training

University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Bucharest Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Bucharest

Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s)

Romanian

Other language(s)
Self-assessment
European level (*)

English Italian French

Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
B2	Independent user	В2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent use	B2	Independent user
B2	Independent user	В2	Independent user	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent use	В1	Independent user
A1	Basic user	A1	Basic user						

^(*) Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Social skills and competences

My career, starting from a veterinary practitioner to my current job at EFSA, has always required me to be a team player with strong listening and communications skills. I keep myself and my teams focussed on delivering outputs on time by using my organisation project management skills. As I primarily work in international multi-disciplinary teams and committees I have to be diplomatic and use strong negotiation skills to minimise the risk of conflicts. In addition, I have the advantage that I adapt easily to new environments and conditions and I am always open to new challenges.

I take a pragmatic approach to my work as it is the best way to balance the competing needs (theoretical versus practical). Knowledge sharing and professional development is essential in keeping up to date in food safety. I share my knowledge on day to day basis, e.g. by giving support to member states and by providing training to my colleagues and collaborators. I keep my skills up to date by proactively keeping up with the scientific literature and by learning from others.

Computer skills and competences

Competent with most Microsoft Office and Windows programmes acquired through daily work.