

Declaration of interests (DOI) form **Sari Päivikki Autio**

Legal basis:

Commission Decision C(2016)3301 establishing horizontal rules on the creation and operation of Commission expert groups, Articles 2(4) and 11.

Definitions:

**"Conflict of interest"** means any situation where an individual has an interest that may compromise or be reasonably perceived to compromise the individual's capacity to act independently and in the public interest when providing advice to the Commission in relation to the subject of the work performed by the expert group or sub-group in question.

**"Immediate family member"** means the individual's spouse, children and parents. "Spouse" includes a partner with whom the individual has a registered non marital regime. "Children" means the child(ren) the individual and the spouse have in common, the own child(ren) of the individual and the own child(ren) of the spouse.

**"Legal entity"** means any commercial business, industry association, consultancy, research institution or other enterprise whose funding is significantly derived from commercial sources. It also includes independent own commercial businesses, law offices, consultancies or similar.

**"Body"** means a governmental, international or non-profit organisation.

**"Meeting"** includes a series or cycle of meetings.

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**Please answer each of the questions below. If the answer to any of the questions is "yes", please provide details on relevant interests and circumstances, as appropriate.**

**If you do not do so, your DOI form will be considered incomplete and, therefore, your application to be appointed as a member of an expert group or sub-group in a personal capacity shall be rejected.**

First name: Sari
Family name: Autio
Expert group/sub-group: EGTOP

# 1 EMPLOYMENT CONSULTANCY AND LEGAL REPRESENTATION

	<i>Within the past 5 years, were you employed or have you had any other professional relationship with a natural or legal entity, or held any non-remunerated post in a legal entity or other body with an interest in the field of activity of the expert group/sub-group in question?</i>	<b>yes</b> <b>X</b>	<b>no</b>
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<b>1a</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> X	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>1b</b>	<b>Consultancy, including services as an advisor</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> X	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>1c</b>	<b>Non-remunerated post</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> X
<b>1d</b>	<b>Legal representation</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> X

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Time period (from... until month/year)</b>	<b>Name of entity or body</b>	<b>Description</b>
Senior Officer	1/2021 -	Finnish Safety and Chemicals Agency Tukes	Authorisation of plant protection products, including low risk and basic substances to be used in organic agriculture, and other chemicals allowed in organic production
Member	1/2022 -	EU sub-committee on plant protection products within the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry in Finland	Consultative stakeholder committee to discuss the opinions of Finland in the matters of the EU legislation on plant protection products
Research manager	6/2017 – 12/2020	Natural Resources Institute Finland / Finnish Organic Research Institute (time-limited position)	Coordinating the network of organic researchers, enhancing the scientific knowledge on organics in Finland
Member	1/2018 – 12/2020	EU sub-committee on organic food and farming within the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry in Finland	Consultative stakeholder committee to discuss the opinions of Finland in the

			matters of the EU organic regulation
Member	2022 - 2025	EU Expert Group for Technical Advice on Organic Production (EGTOP), DG AGRI	Member of the EGTOP and chairperson of the sub-group on cleaning agents and disinfectants

**2 MEMBERSHIP OF MANAGING BODY, SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BODY OR EQUIVALENT STRUCTURE**

	<i>Within the past 5 years, have you participated in the internal decision-making of a legal entity or other body with an interest in the field of activity of the expert group/sub-group in question or have you participated in the works of a Scientific Advisory Body with voting rights on the outputs of that entity?</i>	yes	no <b>X</b>
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<b>2a</b>	<b>Participation in a decision-making process</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>2b</b>	<b>Participation in the work of a Scientific Advisory Body</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Activity	Time period (from... until month/year)	Name of legal entity or body	Description
<b>Finnish representative</b>	1/2021 -	<b>EU Standing Committee on plants, animals, food and feed (SCoPAFF legislation)</b>	<b>Representing Finland, e.g. voting</b>

**3 RESEARCH SUPPORT**

	<i>Within the past 5 years, have you, or the research entity to which you belong, received any support from a legal entity or other body with an interest in the field of activity of the expert group/sub-group in question?</i>	yes <b>X</b>	no
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<b>3a</b>	<b>Research support, including grants, rents, sponsorships, fellowships, non-monetary support</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>Activity</b>	<b>Time period (from... until month/year)</b>	<b>Name of legal entity or body</b>	<b>Description</b>
SoildiverAgro project	2019-2023	EU Horizon2020	EU grant agreement No. 817819
Luomubuumi project	2018-2021	Häme Centre for Economic Development, Transport and the Environment	European rural development funding
KILPA2020 project	2018-2021	Ministry of the Agriculture and Forestry	Makera funding for agricultural research

#### 4 FINANCIAL INTERESTS

	<i>Do you have current investments in a legal entity with an interest in the field of activity of the expert group/sub-group in question, including holding of stocks and shares, and which amounts to more than 10,000 EUR per legal entity or entitling you to a voting right of 5% or more in such legal entity?</i>	<b>yes</b>	<b>no</b> <b>X</b>
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<b>4a</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>4b</b>	<b>Other stock</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<b>Investment</b>	<b>Name of legal entity</b>	<b>Description</b>

#### 5 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

	<i>Do you have any intellectual property rights that might be affected by the outcome of the work carried out by the expert group/sub-group in question?</i>	<b>yes</b>	<b>no</b> <b>X</b>
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<b>5a</b>	<b>Patent, trademarks, or copyrights</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>5b</b>	<b>Others</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<b>Intellectual property</b>	<b>Description</b>

## 6 PUBLIC STATEMENTS AND POSITIONS

	<i>Within the past 5 years, have you provided any expert opinion or testimony in the field of activity of the expert group/sub-group in question, for a legal entity or other body as part of a regulatory, legislative or judicial process? Have you held an office or other position, paid or unpaid, where you represented interests or defended an opinion in the field of activity of the expert group/sub-group in question?</i>	<b>Yes</b> <b>X</b>	<b>no</b>
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<b>6a</b>	<b>For a legal entity or other body as part of a regulatory, legislative or judicial process</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>6b</b>	<b>Represented interests or defended an opinion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Time period (from... until month/year)</b>	<b>Name of legal entity or body</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Senior Officer</b>	<b>2011-2017, 2021-</b>	<b>Finnish Safety and Chemicals Agency Tukes</b>	<b>Competent Authority in Finland with regard to PPPR, BPR, REACH, CLP and other chemical legislations, including the authorisation of products to be used in conventional and organic farming</b>

**7 INTERESTS OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS** yes      no

<b>7a</b>	To your knowledge, are there any interests of your immediate family members which could be seen as undermining your independence when providing advice to the Commission in the field of activity of the expert group/sub-group in question?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Interests	Time period (from... until month/year)	Name of legal entity or body	Description

<b>7b</b>	If interests of your immediate family members are declared, it is your responsibility to inform them about the collection and publication of information on their interests included in the DOI and to provide them with the privacy statement attached to the guidance for filling in this DOI, and this at the latest when you file the DOI form with the Commission.
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**8 OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION** yes      no

<b>8a</b>	Are there any other elements that could be seen as undermining your independence when providing advice to the Commission in the field of activity of the expert group/sub-group in question?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Description:

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I hereby declare on my honour that I have read the guidance for completing this form.

I also declare on my honour that the information disclosed in this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Should there be any change to the above information, including as regards upcoming activities, I will promptly notify the competent Commission department and complete a new DOI form describing the changes in question.

I am informed that my personal data are stored, processed and published by the Commission in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725<sup>1</sup> and Commission Decision C(2016) 3301<sup>2</sup>.

I have been provided with the corresponding privacy statement which provides further information on how the Commission processes my personal data.

Date: 31.5.2023

Signature:  \_\_\_\_\_

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Your DOI form shall be made publicly available on the Register of Commission expert groups and other similar entities, as long as you are appointed as member of the expert group or sub-group in a personal capacity. Technical measures will be taken to indicate to search engines that your DOI form should not appear in search results.

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<sup>1</sup> Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data.

<sup>2</sup> Commission Decision C(2016) 3301 establishing horizontal rules on the creation and operation of Commission expert groups.