

SHORT BIOGRAPHIES OF EXPERTS



Dr ERIC POUDELET, Director "safety of the food chain" - European Commission, DG SANCO

Eric Poudelet is a veterinarian. He graduated from "Ecole Vétérinaire de Maisons-Alfort" France, 1975. After carrying his national Civil Service on Réunion Island – France 1977- 1978 he became a civil Servant at French Ministry for Agriculture – France:

- Deputy Department Director of "*Services Vétérinaires de la Réunion*" 1978 -1983
- Department Director of "*Services Vétérinaires de la Vendée*" 1983-1988

Then he joined the European Commission, firstly as a National Seconded Expert at European Commission – Directorate General for Agriculture veterinary Inspector, and then as European Commission Civil Servant. He was first Head of Unit "Food Safety – Biological Risk" at Directorate General for Agriculture and after Directorate General for Health and Consumers (1999-2007) and is currently Director of the Directorate "Safety of the Food Chain" at the Directorate General for Health and Consumers.



**MICHAEL SCANNELL,
Director of the Food and Veterinary Office,
European Commission**

Michael Scannell was appointed in April 2010 as Director of the Food and Veterinary Office (FVO) in the Directorate General for Health and Consumers of the European Commission. The FVO is responsible for promoting proper enforcement and compliance with EU requirements on food safety, animal and plant health in both Member States and third countries. It is located in Ireland and employs a staff of 177 who carry out audits in relation to enforcement and controls. Prior to this appointment, Mr Scannell

worked in the European Commission in Brussels since 1988 in a range of positions in the Directorates General for Development, Economic and Financial Affairs and Health and Consumers. His positions included spokesperson for the European Union in the Codex Alimentarius Commission and in the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Committee of the World Trade Organisation and Head of Unit on international relations in DG SANCO. He also worked from 1995 to 2002 in the cabinets of Commissioners Flynn and Byrne, specialising in agriculture, trade, economic, public health and food safety related policies.



Dr MARTIN HARTMANN, President of the German Association of Official Veterinarians

Personal details:

- German
- Born 02.08.1954 in Wittislingen/Germany
- Married
- 1 child

Current duties:

- **Since Juli 2013:** Chief Veterinarian Officer in the Ministry for Rural Areas and Consumer Protection, Baden-Württemberg, Stuttgart
- **Since Juli 1995:** Chief Veterinarian Officer in the Hohenlohekreis
- **Since October 1988:** Head of the field office in Öhringen of the Veterinary Inspection Office Schwäbisch Hall
- **Since May 1986,** Official Veterinarian in the Veterinary Inspection Office Schwäbisch Hall
- **Since February 2003:** Working in Farm Animal Practises

Other activities:

- **Since January 2012:** Member of the Board of the Federal Chamber of Veterinarians Germany (BTK)
- **Since January 2011:** President of the Association of State Veterinary Officers of Germany

Education:

- **1988:** Diploma “Veterinary surgeon specialist for public veterinary-medicine”
- **1985:** Veterinar Officer
- **1985:** Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (Dr. med. vet.)
- **1983:** Veterinary Surgeon Free University Berlin



Dr SILVIO BORRELLO, General Director, Ministry of Health, Directorate General for Hygiene, Food Safety and Nutrition, Italy

Dr. Silvio Borrello took the role of Director General in 2006, after serving for 25 years in the Ministry of Health, where he dealt with a wide range of veterinary public health and food safety-related areas: prophylaxis of infectious diseases, international affairs, safety of food of animal origin, contaminants, animal welfare, feed legislation, import controls.

He chaired the Italian Commission for Plant protection products and the Commission for Dietetic products and Nutrition.

He is member of the Advisory Forum of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA).

He is appointed as Italian Emergency Contact Point of the FAO/WHO International Food Safety Authorities Network (INFOSAN) and Contact Point for the Food Fraud Network within DGSANCO.

He is Adjunct Professor in veterinary legislation at the University of Magna Grecia and University of Teramo.

He graduated from the University of Veterinary Medicine in Messina in 1977 and he is specialised in Inspection of food of animal origin.



JOHN BARNES, Head of local authority audit and liaison, Food Standards Agency, United Kingdom

John Barnes is Head of the UK Food Standards Agency's Local Delivery Division, responsible for ensuring effective official food and feed control delivery by UK local authorities. He is responsible for the FSA's monitoring and auditing food and feed control delivery and for liaison with local authorities and industry on official controls.

John has been with the UK Food Standards Agency since it was established in 2000. Before moving to the Agency, John worked at the UK Department of Health where he led on general food hygiene policy, legislation and official guidance. John has experience chairing Codex Expert Groups on food hygiene controls and currently chairs the FSA's Enforcement Research Committee evaluating effective enforcement approaches.

John joined DH from the private sector where he was a founder and Director of the one of the UK's largest food safety consultancies. John is a qualified Environmental Health Officer and has 14 years local government experience managing and delivering public health controls.

**Dr LOIC EVAIN,
Vice-Director in charge of international and European sanitary affairs, Directorate General for Food, Ministry of Agriculture, France**



Loïc EVAIN is a general inspector in veterinary public health. He devoted the beginning of his career to European matters, first at the General Secretariat for EU affairs (1990), then at the Permanent Representation of France to the European Union (1996). He was a technical advisor in the Cabinet of the Minister of Agriculture (2001) and afterwards he was assigned as a Vice-Director in charge of food safety in the Directorate General for Food (2002). Since 2007, he is the Vice-Director in charge of international and European sanitary affairs (SDASEI). His directorate is notably responsible for import controls, negotiation of sanitary and phytosanitary

(SPS) conditions for exports of agricultural and food products, and the follow-up of the negotiations within international organizations active in the field of SPS issues, like OIE or Codex alimentarius. Since 2010, all import border SPS controls are entrusted to a national department, the SIVEP, which is under the responsibility of the SDASEI.