

ECHA DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There is a conflict of interest where the impartiality and objectivity of a decision, opinion or recommendation of the Agency and/or its bodies, is or might in the public perception be compromised by an interest held by, or entrusted to, an individual working for the Agency.

Please note that having an interest does not necessarily mean having a conflict of interest. In particular, high quality of (scientific) expertise is by nature based on prior experience. Declaring an interest does therefore not automatically disqualify you or limit your participation in the activities of the European Chemicals Agency.

On the other hand it should be emphasised that this declaration of interest form does not contain an exhaustive list of potential interests and that all other elements that might jeopardise your independence when working with the Agency should thus also be indicated. Your answers will then be reviewed and dealt with in accordance with the ECHA Procedure for Prevention and Management of potential Conflicts of Interest.

Declaration of Commitment

I hereby declare that I shall make all reasonable efforts to fulfil my duties related to the work of the European Chemicals Agency.

Declaration of Interests

First Name: Sharon

Last name: McGuinness

Position in ECHA: Chair of the ECHA Management Board

hereby declares to have the following interests:

I. Employment, consultancy, legal representation or advice

Within the past 5 years, were you employed or have you had any other professional relationship with a commercial entity¹ or other organisation² with an interest in the regulatory field of activity of ECHA?

No

Yes, and more in particular:

Function/Activity	Time period (from...until month/year)	Name of organisation or commercial entity	Description
Chief Executive Officer	1 July 2018 - to date	Health and Safety Authority of Ireland	National Statutory Body responsible for regulating occupational health and safety, chemicals and market surveillance. The Irish National Accreditation Board (INAB) is also part of the Authority
Assistant Chief Executive	April 2006 - 30 June 2018	Health and Safety Authority of Ireland	Head of the Chemicals and Prevention Division in the Authority with responsibility for regulating occupational health and safety, chemicals and market surveillance.
Chair of ECHA Management Board	1 Oct 2016 to date	European Chemicals Agency	Chair of the Management Board of the Agency

II. Membership of Governing Body, Scientific Advisory Body or equivalent structure

Within the past 5 years, have you participated in the internal decision-making of a commercial entity or other organisation with an interest in the regulatory field of activity of ECHA (e.g. board membership, directorship) or have you participated in the works of a Scientific Advisory Body with voting rights on the outputs of that entity?

No

Yes, and more in particular:

Function/Activity	Time period (from...until month/year)	Name of organisation or commercial	Description

¹ This includes any commercial business, 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.

² An 'organisation' includes governmental, international or non-profit organisations, as well as interest groups.

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		entity	
President	2010-2012	Irish Society of Toxicology	President of the professional body for toxicology in Ireland
External Examiner	2010-2014	Athlone Institute of Technology, Athlone Ireland	Examiner for EHS Management Systems Graduate and Undergraduate programmes
Member Advisory Committee	2015-2017	University College Galway, Ireland	Advisory committee member for their Masters and Diploma courses in Occupational EHS programmes
Advisory Committee Member	2012-2015	Environmental Protection Agency, Ireland	Ministerial appointment to the EPA Advisory Committee. EPA are also a competent authority for REACH in Ireland.
Advisory Committee Member	2012-2016	Environmental Protection Agency, Ireland	Member of the Health Advisory Committee of the EPA along with other government bodies. EPA are also a competent authority for REACH in Ireland.

III. Other membership or affiliation

Within the past 5 years, have you had any membership or affiliation other than the above that can be perceived as creating a potential conflict of interest?

- No, but for transparency reasons I wish to declare the details below:
 Yes, and more in particular:

Function/Activity	Time period (from...until month/year)	Name of organisation or commercial entity	Description
Professional Membership	1992-todate	US Society of Toxicology	Member
Professional membership	1998-todate	Irish Society of Toxicology	Member
Professional membership	2013-todate	Register of Irish Toxicologists	Member
Professional Membership	2016 - todote	Institute of Directors	Member

IV. Research funding

Within the past 5 years, have you or the research entity to which you belong received any support from a commercial entity or other organisation with an interest in the regulatory field of activity of ECHA, including grants, rents, sponsorships, fellowships, non-monetary support?

- No
 Yes, and more in particular:

Function/Activity	Time period (from...until month/year)	Name of organisation or commercial entity	Description

V. Investments

Do you have current investments in a commercial entity with an interest in the regulatory field of activity of ECHA, including holding of stocks and shares, stock options, equity, bonds, partnership interest in the capital of such undertaking, one of its subsidiaries or a company in the capital of which it has a holding and which amounts to more than 10,000 EUR per commercial entity or entitling you to a voting right of 5% or more in such commercial entity?³

- No
 Yes, and more in particular:

Investment	Name of organisation or commercial entity

VI. Intellectual Property

Do you have any intellectual property rights (e.g. patent, trademark, copyright or proprietary know-how) in the regulatory field of activity of ECHA that might create a potential conflict of interest?

- No
 Yes, and more in particular:

Intellectual Property	Name of organisation or	Description

³ You may exclude financial interests held through an investment fund, pension fund and/or interests in non-nominal unit trusts or similar arrangements, provided that these investments are broadly diversified and you have no influence on their financial management.

	commercial entity	

VII. Public statements and positions

Within the past 5 years, have you provided any expert opinion or testimony in the regulatory field of activity of ECHA for a commercial entity or other organisation 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 regulatory field of activity of ECHA?

- No, but for transparency reasons I wish to declare the details below:
 Yes, and more in particular:

Function/Activity	Time period (from...until month/year)	Name of organisation or commercial entity	Description
External speaking engagements and presentations in my role as Assistant Chief Executive and CEO.	2006 - todote	A range of public bodies and stakeholder representative groups	Speaking engagements or presentations or interviews as a member of the Health and Safety Authority on chemicals (REACH, CLP etc.) or other occupational health and safety matters

VIII. Other relevant information

Are there any other elements that could be seen as jeopardising your independence when working for the Agency?

- No, but for transparency reasons I wish to declare the details below:
 Yes, and more in particular:

In my role as CEO and Assistant Chief Executive, I frequently meet with or present to individual companies, stakeholder organisations, journalists etc., on topics that are relevant to my organisation. However, none could be viewed as jeopardising my independence when working for the Agency. To avoid any perceived conflicts, any speaking invites received from external parties on a subject that is relevant for the Agency is brought to the attention of the Secretariat before I would agree to attend. If any concerns are raised, then the speaking engagement is not taken up.

IX. Interests held by close family members⁴

Do any of your close family members hold any current interests in the regulatory field of activity of the Agency (as specified above in the sections I.-VIII.)?

No

Yes, and more in particular:

Function/Activity	Name of organisation or commercial entity	Description

I wish to have any reference to interests held by close family members removed if this declaration is to be made public on the ECHA website.⁵

I hereby declare that I have read both the ECHA Procedure on Prevention and Management of potential Conflicts of Interest and the related ECHA Guidance document and that the above Declaration of Interest is at my best knowledge complete. I understand that for all members of the ECHA bodies, the Executive Director and the other ECHA management staff (Directors and Heads of Unit), as well as for the chairpersons of the ECHA Committees this declaration will be published on the ECHA website.

Please note that the European Chemicals Agency will ensure on its part that your personal data hereby submitted is processed as required by Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data. The data is necessary for the purpose of implementing the Agency's Procedure for Prevention and Management of potential Conflicts of Interest and will be retained for a time period of 7 years. You have the right to access and rectify that data. Under certain conditions, a right to erasure, restriction, objection and/or data portability also applies. To exercise these rights, please contact the relevant secretariat. You can contact the Agency's Data Protection Officer for any questions or complaints with regard to the processing of your personal data. In case you do not receive a satisfactory outcome, you can have recourse to the European Data Protection Supervisor.

Date: September 14 2018

Signed

⁴ For this purpose, 'close family members' are considered to be the persons forming a household with the person making this declaration (spouse, partner, and/or dependent children). For privacy reasons neither the relationship nor the name is to be included. Only current interests held by close family members are of relevance and not past interests.

⁵ As full transparency is one of the general principles of this Procedure, this option should only be used in case the consent of the individual concerned has not been obtained, when he/she has objected to the disclosure on compelling legitimate grounds or if there is reason to believe that the legitimate interests of the individual involved might be prejudiced by the disclosure (see also Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 on the protection of personal data).

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