

Darja Sokolić

Personal information

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Gender: Female

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Work experience



Executive director

Croatian Agency for Agriculture and Food

01/02/2021 – Current Osijek, Croatia

Responsible for:

Soil

Seed and Seedlings

Viticulture, Enology and Edible Oils Analysis

Pomology and Vegetable Crops

Plant Protection

Livestock Breeding

Quality Control of Livestock Products

Food Safety

Advisor to Director of Food Safety

Croatian Agency for Agriculture and Food

31/07/2020 – 30/01/2021 Osijek, Croatia

-advising the director in the creation and implementation of annual and multi-year work programs and development programs,

-implementing projects in the field of food safety,

-proposing development measures and amending regulations related to the improvement of the work of the agency remit

Head of Center for Food Safety

Croatian Agency for Agriculture and Food

31/12/2018 – 30/07/2020 Osijek, Croatia

Croatian Food Agency, by decision of the Government of the Republic of Croatia, from 1.1.2019. continued to operate as an independent organizational unit within the newly created Croatian Agency for Agriculture and Food called the Center for Food Safety.

Director

Croatian Food Agency

31/05/2018 – 30/12/2018 Ivana Gundulića 36b, 31000, Osijek, Croatia

Governmental agency responsible for risk assessment at national level in food safety system.

Coordination of national network of institutions in food safety field.

Head of Data Management and Nutrition Department

Croatian Food Agency

31/01/2010 – 30/05/2018 Ivana Gundulića 36b , 31000 , Osijek , Croatia

- data collection
 - food consumption
 - nutrition
 - exposure assessment
 - project management
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General manager

Novatech Med d.o.o.

31/01/2009 – 31/01/2010 Svilajska 31 , 31000 , Osijek , Croatia

- management
 - production of food supplements
 - implementation ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 13485 standards
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Expert Associate

Croatian Food Agency

18/03/2008 – 31/01/2009 Osijek , Croatia

- quality manager
 - risk assessment
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Technical director in the production of cosmetics

Saponia Osijek d.d.

31/03/1995 – 18/03/2008 Matije Gupca 2 , 31000 , Osijek , Croatia

- production management
 - optimization of technological processes
 - member of the Saponia production investment team
 - implementation of quality standards ISO 9001 and ISO 14000
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Education and training

PhD in Biotechnology

Faculty of Food Biotechnology, University of Zagreb

08/2010 – 01/2013 Pierottijeva 6 10000 Zareb Croatia

www.pbf.unizg.hr

Master of Food Technology

• University of Josip Juraj Strossmayer in Osijek, Faculty of Food technology

09/1987 – 10/1994 Franje Kuhača 20 31000 Osijek Croatia

www.ptfos.hr

Certificate in Food Composition Data Collection and Checking

Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia of Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

10/04/2016 – 14/04/2016 Bratislava Slovakia

Certificate in Horizon 2020 project development and proposal writing

European Training Academy

16/02/2016 – 18/02/2016 Opatija Croatia

Certificate in Systematic review - full process

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

17/10/2015 – 20/10/2015 Parma Italy

Certificate in Standard Sample Description (SSD1) and FoodEx2

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

16/06/2015 – 18/06/2015 Osijek Croatia

Additional information

Certificate in Food Composition and Information

European Training Platform for Safer Food – BTSF (Better Training for Safer Food)

11/04/2015 – 18/04/2015 Trim Ireland

Certificate in Exposure assessment

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

15/02/2015 – 17/02/2015 Parma Italy

Certificate in Nutrition risk assessment

European Training Platform for Safer Food – BTSF (Better Training for Safer Food)

01/02/2015 – 05/02/2015 Lisbon Portugal

Certificate in Statistical Data Analysis

Supera Kvaliteta d.o.o.

21/03/2013 – 21/03/2013 Osijek Croatia

Certificate in Food Consumption Survey Methodology and Data Analysis

University College Dublin (UCD)

16/11/2014 – 20/11/2014 Dublin Ireland

Additional information

Certificate in Chemical Risk Assessment in Food

European Training Platform for Safer Food - BTSF (Better Training for Safer Food)

28/04/2013 – 02/05/2013 Berlin Germany

Certificate in Communicating Food Science

MAITRE - Professional Media Training for Food and Nutrition Scientists

11/02/2013 – 12/02/2013 Osijek Croatia

Certificate in Food Information for Consumers

TAIEX, Ministry of Agriculture

02/12/2012 – 03/12/2012 Zagreb Croatia

Certificate in Total Diet Studies for Assessing Exposure

Instituto Nacional de Saude Doutor Ricardo Jorge (INSA)

07/07/2013 – 11/07/2013 Lisbon Portugal

Additional information

Certificate in Risk Management

TAIEX, Ministry of Agriculture

06/07/2011 – 06/07/2011 Zagreb Croatia

Certificate in Official Controls of Drinking Water

TAIEX, Ministry of Health

15/12/2011 – 15/12/2011 Vukovar Croatia

Certificate in Food Safety Risk Assessment

JIFSAN, Maryland University

07/09/2008 – 23/10/2008

Certificate of attendance on Intensive Training of Public Appearance

EDUCAMIX- Center for business and personal development

03/07/2008 – 04/07/2008 Osijek Croatia

Certificate in Environmental Management System

BUREAU VERITAS

14/03/2005 – 15/03/2005 Osijek Croatia

Certificate in Process Data Management

REFA Bundesverband e.V. Darmstadt

24/02/2002 – 24/04/2002 Zagreb Croatia

Certificate in Organization of Working System and Process

REFA Bundesverband e.V. Darmstadt

09/12/2001 – 24/01/2002 Zagreb Croatia

Certificate in Internal Environmental Auditor ISO 14001:1996

BUREAU VERITAS

10/04/2001 – 12/04/2001 Osijek Croatia

Certificate in Internal Quality Auditing

SGS International Certification Services Ltd

17/11/1998 – 19/11/1998 Osijek Croatia

Certificate in Management Skills

dr. Hrvoje Kenfelj - Saponia d.d.

2002 – 2004 Osijek Croatia

Publications

Link to publications: <https://www.croris.hr/crosbi/searchByContext/2/31676>

Networks and memberships

Memberships

EFSA Management Board member 2022 - today

WHO INFOSAN (World Health Organization - International Food Safety Authorities Network) Focal Point Croatia from 30 June 2010 – 2021

Member of European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Advisory Forum, from 2013 – 2022

Member of European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Advisory Forum Task Force on data Collection and Data Modeling, from 2018 - 2022

Member of European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Scientific Network on Food Consumption Data, from 2011 – 2022

Member of Croatian Society of Food Technologists, Biotechnologists and Nutritionists, from 2013 - today

Member of Working Group "Health and Diet" at the National program "Living healthy" - Ministry of Health (2014 – today)

Member of the association of alumni and friends of Faculty of Food Technology Osijek - TEHNOS

Projects

1a Support to National Dietary Survey in Compliance with EU Menu methodology (sixth support) "The children survey" (project leader) and

1b Support to National Dietary Survey in Compliance with EU Menu methodology (seventh support) "The adult survey" (project leader)

2.Update of the EFSA Comprehensive European Food Consumption Database Croatia 2011-12 (2016-2017)

3.FAO Collecting of food composition data, 2016-2017 (project leader in Croatia, compiler)

4.Pilot project on the implementation of SSD2 in the frame of the electronic transmission of harmonized data collection of analytical results to EFSA

5.FP7 TDS Exposure, Grant Agreement: 289108 Total Diet Study Exposure, 1st February 2012-31st January 2016 (Leader of Croatian Team, project partner)

Consultancy experience:

1.Bosnia and Hercegovina - Food consumption data collection FARMA USAID contract (2017)

2.TAIEX expert mission (approved by EC) July 2017 Food consumption data collection

3.External expert on Montenegro National food consumption survey on adult population (2017-2021)

Other skills

Flying on paraglider (pilot licence)