

Declaration of interest form

The Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI), a coalition of the Consumer Goods Forum, is an industry-driven initiative providing thought leadership and guidance on food safety system controls necessary to assure the safety of the food supply chain in an efficient manner. This work is advanced through collaboration between the world's leading food safety experts from retail, manufacturing and food service companies, as well as international organisations, governments, academia and service providers to the global food industry. They encourage open and non-discriminatory collaboration, build capability and promote a harmonised approach to managing food safety across the industry.

To safeguard this collaboration, GFSI has a code of ethical conduct, laid in article XI of the GFSI Governance Rules, including strict expectations as to conflicts of interest:

F. Conflicts of Interest

All GFSI stakeholders shall prevent conflicts of interest pertaining to GFSI-related matters from arising, by communicating in a fair and transparent manner with all relevant parties. Any GFSI stakeholder should inform the GFSI staff and the Steering Committee of any existing or potential conflicts of interest, arising out of any GFSI roles of responsibility, fulfilment of duties or the conduct of business.

As you are applying to join the GFSI Science and Technology Advisory Group, a group gathering experts “Independent from industry, typically employed by a university, research institute, or government body.” (GFSI Rules of governance article IX B.), we kindly ask you to carefully consider the below questions and declare any situations that may represent an association with industry. Answering yes to any of those questions does not mean your application will be rejected; however it gives the GFSI Coalition Team and the STAG chair the opportunity to consider your application being fully informed.

We therefore very much appreciate you filling in this information in full honesty and transparency.

Regards

The GFSI Coalition Team

	Yes	No
1. Have you in the past 5 years worked for or with food industry members?		
2. Have you in the past 5 years worked for or with service providers to the food industry?		
3. Have you in the past 5 years received support (monetary or other) from any food industry members?		
4. Have you in the past 5 years received support (monetary or other) from any service providers to the food industry?		
5. Do you have any investments in a commercial entity with an interest related to the mandate of the Group you are applying to join?		
6. Do you have any intellectual property rights associated with the mandate of the Group you are applying to join?		
7. Have you in the past 3 years provided an expert opinion related to the mandate of the Group you are applying to join, as part of a regulatory, legislative or judicial process?		

If you have answered yes to any of the above questions, please describe why below.

<u>Question Number</u>	<u>Details and explanation</u>

I declare that the above information is a true and comprehensive representation of my association with industry, and of any potential risk of conflict with the STAG mandate.

Signature:

Full Name:

Date: