

Biography

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Since 1987 she has been involved in R&D&I activities and technology transfer to the food industry, particularly in the SME area, concerning quality issues and product development. Her research interest the last years has been focused on authentication, traceability and sustainability of the food chain. She has been a management team member of 15 European projects and external evaluator in the Food, Nutrition & Health area for DG Research-European Commission and Coordinator of two European projects of the 7FP.

She is the chair of the Executive Board of the European Association for Food Safety formed by 14 research organizations (www.safeconsortium.org), and member of several EU Technological Platforms: European Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Platform (EATIP);

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She has been responsible for 100 research projects, has published 75 articles dealing with research in food and fisheries and is co-author of 5 new food products patents. She collaborates with different organizations and governments departments on strategic plans for R&D for the food industry and is member of different scientific committees: Spanish Society of Microbiology, European Sensory Science Society.