

Prof. Dr. Diána BÁNÁTI (1967)

Prof. Dr. Diána Bánáti got her M.Sc. degree in food engineering in 1990. She was qualified as a teacher in 1996 and later M.A. in Law in 1998. She got her C.Sc. degree (Ph.D.) in agricultural sciences at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (HAS) in 1996. In 2006 she obtained dr. habil at the University of Debrecen.

Prof. Bánáti is the Director General of the Central Food Research Institute (CFRI) since 2000.

She was responsible in Hungary for the establishment of the National Food Safety Office in 2002 as a Ministerial Commissioner for Food Safety.

She obtained a Titular University Professor of Szent István University in 2003 and in 2007 at University of Szeged, as well. She plays an active role in M.Sc. and postgraduate education being the head of the Department of Food Science of the Szent István University and Department of Food Regulatory Sciences and Consumer Science of the Corvinus University of Budapest affiliated to the CFRI.

She is a qualified expert in food safety, food policy and food regulatory sciences; she has a wide research experience in food science. Her current researches are focused on the fields of food safety, food policy, consumer science and ethics.

Prof. Bánáti is a member in several national and international organizations (EFSA, EGE, OECD, FAO/WHO Codex Alimentarius, ILSI, etc.).

As project coordinator she is involved in research co-operations and research projects on food safety with special regard to her main fields of interest as food safety, food policy and consumer sciences.

From 2006 to 2008 she was a vice-chair and since 2008 she is the Chair of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority.