



● **WORK EXPERIENCE**

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01/07/2020 – CURRENT

**HEAD OF THE FOOD SAFETY DEPARTMENT – MINISTRY OF RURAL AFFAIRS**

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Food safety is one of the most important areas of activity of the Ministry of Rural Affairs. The state is obliged to monitor that the consumed food in our diet is safe despite its origin. To this end, the Food Safety Department develops requirements and legislation and organizes national inspections and monitoring of the food chain. In order to ensure food safety, the Ministry develops legislation related to animal breeding, animal health and welfare, feed and food hygiene, food additives and contaminants and labeling, food contact materials and articles, novel foods and genetically modified organisms, and other food groups or participates in the development of this legislation in the European Union decision-making process. Additionally, the Ministry is responsible for the communication related to the international food standards program Codex Alimentarius in Estonia and coordinates cooperation with the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), the European Commission, and the food competent authorities of the Member States of the European Union.

15/10/1997 – 21/08/2020

**DIFFERENT POSITIONS FROM EXPERT IN ANIMAL HEALTH TO DEPUTY HEAD OF THE FOOD SAFETY DEPARTMENT – ESTONIAN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE**

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Tallinn

01/11/2016 – 10/01/2018 – Brussels, Belgium

**COUNCELLOR FOR AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS – PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF ESTONIA TO THE EU**

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Temporal rotation to the Permanent Representation of Estonia to the EU due to the Estonian presidency to the EU. I was responsible for the medicated feedingstuffs file and chaired the council working party where we achieved an agreement on medicated feed file between the Member States. Also chairing the codex AMR Task Force WP was my responsibility.

01/04/2008 – 01/07/2011

**COUNSELLOR FOR AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS – PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF ESTONIA TO THE EU**

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Working as an Agricultural Counsellor - Veterinary **Attachés** to the European Union in Brussels. Areas of responsibility were Animal health, animal welfare and food safety.

Brussels

01/08/1987 – 01/10/1997

**VETERINARY PRACTITIONER – MIXED PRACTICE: POULTRY, LARGE AND SMALL ANIMALS, LABORATORY WORK ON MICROBIOLOGY**

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## ● EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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01/09/1982 – 01/07/1987 – Tartu, Friedrich Reinhold Kreutzwaldi 1a, , Tartu, Estonia

**VETERINARIAN, FACULTY OF VETERINARY MEDICINE** – Estonian Agricultural Academy -  
(renamed Estonian University of Life Sciences),

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## ● LANGUAGE SKILLS

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Mother tongue(s): **ESTONIAN**

Other language(s):

|                | UNDERSTANDING |         | SPEAKING          |                    | WRITING |
|----------------|---------------|---------|-------------------|--------------------|---------|
|                | Listening     | Reading | Spoken production | Spoken interaction |         |
| <b>ENGLISH</b> | C1            | C1      | C1                | C1                 | B2      |

*Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user*

## ● DIGITAL SKILLS

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Microsoft Word | Microsoft Excel | Microsoft Powerpoint | Microsoft Office | Outlook | Zoom | Skype