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### **Candidacy of the Board of Directors for Agrinatura Association.**

I am glad to commit my interest in becoming a member of the Agrinatura Association Board. I am a senior scientist at Natural Resources Institute Finland (Luke). With a background in food sciences I have a 25 years' experience in research at agrifood field and ten years in research for development in co-operation with African universities and institutes. I was a WP leader in PROIntensAfrica and currently I am involved in Leap4FNSSA project. As a result of long experience on a wide variety of initiatives I have a nice overall picture of sustainable food systems and connected strategies. In addition to PhD in food chemistry I have a BA degree in African studies.

I have been involved in Agrinatura business since 2019 when Luke became a member of Agrinatura. As a board member I would like to contribute to the strategies and networking of institutes with shared interests and common goals as well as get Luke more closely involved in Agrinatura.

My enclosed CV will provide you with more detailed information about my qualifications and skills.

I look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely,



Susanna Rokka

## Curriculum vitae

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**Name:** Rokka, Susanna

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### Education:

University education: PhD (Food Chemistry) University of Turku 2008  
BA (African studies) University of Helsinki 2004  
MSc (Biochemistry) University of Helsinki 1994

Other: Specialized vocational training in management, Rastor institute 2020  
Specialist in food product development, University of Helsinki 2013

Training: 1992-1993 VTT Laboratory of Biotechnology

**Language skills:** Finnish (mother tongue), English, German, Swedish

### Work experience:

Current position: 1.1.2015- Natural Resources Institute Finland (Luke), Senior Scientist

Professional experience: 1.7.2014-31.12.2014 MTT Agrifood Research Finland, Biotechnology and Food Research, Senior Research Scientist  
1.1.2000-30.6.2014 MTT Agrifood Research Finland, Biotechnology and Food Research, Research Scientist  
1.6.1998-31.12.1999 Agropolis Oy, project manager  
1.6.1994-31.5.1998 MTT Agrifood Research Finland, Food Research, Research Scientist

9.9.-31.12.1993 National Public Health Institute of Finland,  
Research Scientist

Management  
experience:

MTT Biomolecules team, team leader 2013-2014

Research:

Current projects: LEAP4FNSSA (H2020, project partner).  
Novel protein sources for food security and climate,  
ScenoProt (SRC funded project, coordinator). SUSFOOD2 -  
ERA-NET on Sustainable Food Production and Consumption  
(H2020, WP leader).

Former research projects and topics: Effects of ApoE4  
genotype information and intervention intensity on the  
fulfillment of lifestyle changes and sensory preferences  
(Academy of Finland, project manager). Improving Food  
Security in West and East Africa through Capacity Building  
in Research and Information Dissemination (MFA funded  
FoodAfrica programme, deputy coordinator).  
PROIntensAfrica (H2020, WP leader). Legumes for Finns  
for food. FUSIONS - Food Use for Social Innovation by  
Optimising waste prevention Strategies. Novel  
technologies and applications for milk fat. Glycemic  
indexes. Production of egg yolk antibodies. Development of  
immune milk products.

**Publications:**

16 peer refereed scientific publications  
50 other publications

[Link](#) to projects (2015-) and publications.