Pursuant to Article 19 of Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 establishing the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, I hereby undertake to act in the public interest and independently of any external influence. In particular, I know that I am obliged to complete and sign an Annual Declaration of Interests (ADOI) and where required a Specific Declaration of Interests (SDOI) in accordance with the ECDC Independence policy for ECDC staff.