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**Biography** 

Erik J.M. Konings

AOAC INTERNATIONAL Past President



Expert in chemistry, nutrition, food analysis (specialized in vitamin analysis), food safety, risk assessment, method validation for chemical methods, infant/adult nutrition, and standards development/method harmonization (AOAC, ISO, IDF, CEN).

Erik Konings recently retired as Program Manager from the Nestlé Institute of Food Safety and Analytical Sciences in Lausanne, Switzerland, where he provided leadership to global quality, laboratory and regulatory teams to engage in strategic local activities to drive alignment/harmonization of analytical methods and partnered with government and non-government organizations in the development of standards for analytical methods.

## **Experience**

Erik graduated in 1984, with majors in Analytical and Clinical chemistry and started his professional career at the then called Food Inspection Service in Maastricht, the Netherlands. He holds an MSc degree in Epidemiology and a PhD in Health Sciences of Maastricht University, the Netherlands (2001). In 2008 he started at the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) in Parma, Italy, for a secondment as Scientific Officer at the Data Collection and Exposure Unit, and from there accepted, in 2009, a position at the Nestlé Research Centre in Lausanne, Switzerland.

## Leadership

Erik has been active in several standard developing organizations including AOAC INTERNATIONAL (Past-President), the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) (Chair ISO TC 34, Working Group 14 on Vitamins, carotenoids and other nutrients), the

European Committee for Standardization (CEN) (Chair CEN TC 275 Working group 9 on Vitamins and carotenoids), and the International Dairy Federation (IDF). He

participates in the Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS) as member of the Inter-Agency Meeting. Erik is (co)author of more than 45 scientific publications.