

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL INFO

**Name:** Elena Di BELLA

**Nationality:** Italian

### PRESENT POSITION

- *Director for Rural and Mountain Development in the Province of Torino*



### EDUCATION AND TRAINING

**Academic qualifications:** Originally graduated in agricultural economics from the Turin University.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

Elena Di Bella is the director for Rural and Mountain Development in the Province of Torino. She also represents she province of Torino at the board of director of Euromontana, where she co-leads with APCA (French Permanent Assembly of Chambers of Agriculture) the theme of mountain quality food products.

She has worked as agricultural extension officer at the Italian Farmers' Federation of Piedmont and as free lance in advising farmers and industries on analysis and control costs and fund raising, as well as on the reorganisation of the dairy cooperatives of the Pinerolese area. She has also occupied the function of interim director of Euromontana before joining the province of Torino where she has been working since 2001 as a director for Rural and Mountain Development. Her main field of activities are the agricultural and rural and mountain development sectors and quality products: local development projects planning and coordination in the framework of strategic political lines of Province of Torino, European projects planning for rural and mountain development, coordination of studies and feasibility studies.

#### Specific expertise in the field of mountain quality food products:

- team leader from Turin in the European FP5 research project on mountain quality food products (2002-2004) – [www.mountainproducts-europe.org](http://www.mountainproducts-europe.org)
- participation to the elaboration of the European Charter for mountain quality food products (2005)
- Lead partner of the Interreg III C project Euromountains.net and participation in the theme “The role of territorial authorities in the development and promotion of resources and mountain quality products”
- participation and expertise on local projects for the development of the food sector, especially the project “basket of typical products of the province of Torino” (<http://www.provincia.torino.it/agrimont/sapori/paniere/>)
- member of Piedmont Regional Commission for certification of organic products