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**UNIVERSITARY STUDIES:** GRADUATION IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY**

#### **Main activities**

- Since July 2009 she has been directing **Piana Ricerca e Consulenza srl** (via Umbria 41 Fraz. Osteria Grande – 40024 Castel San Pietro Terme BO), a laboratory specialized in melissopalineological analysis and services for beekeeping.
- from 2006 to June 2009 she directed APISHARE, laboratories and services for beekeeping.
- From 1991 to 2006 she worked as a freelancer, in the field of quality control, designations of origin and research on honey and melissopalinalinological analysis for beekeepers' associations and cooperatives, beekeeping and honey companies and research institutions.
- From 1977 to 1990 she worked as quality responsible in a honey company, doing honey analysis (physico-chemical, melissopalinalinological and sensory).

#### **Secondary activities**

- Since 1981 she has been coordinating the national competition Tre Gocce d'Oro - Grandi Mieli d'Italia, formerly "Giulio Piana Prize" held every year, in Castel San Pietro Terme (BO), organized by Osservatorio Nazionale Miele.
- Since 1983 she has been conducting training for beekeepers in Italy and abroad in the form of lectures and seminars on honey (about 450 interventions) and on the sensory analysis of honey (about 600 interventions); in particular she is a teacher recognized by the National Register of Experts in Sensory Analysis of Honey for the training of experts to be included in this Register.
- She has participated as a member of the tasting juries in numerous competitions for honey at national and international level (more than 70 interventions).
- She is author or co-author of about 180 publications, scientific or technical, including some books.
- She is one of the founding members of the Association of Ambassadors of Mieli (AMi), an association for the promotion of bee culture.

*She authorizes the use of these personal data.*

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