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Eng. Adonis is agricultural engineer (University of Chile-Faculty of Agronomy) that has worked in the industry for 35 years, specifically in Food Safety & Quality Assurance for growers and packers of fresh fruit.

Jointly with his position in FDF, he is also the Executive secretary of the ASOEX's Food Safety Committee that reviews implementation issues and challenges on Food safety for the Chilean Fresh Fruit Industry, with the purpose to guide growers to the compliance of the requirements of the different economies that import Chilean fresh fruit. He is the editor of the monthly Food Safety Bulletin. In his role he also supplies technical assistance in Food safety to the ASOEX members.

He is also the author of the "Industry Manual for the prevention of microbial risks in packing and storage of fresh fruits".

He also has been the technical editor of other guidelines such as: G.A.P Guidelines for handling and storing of pesticides; G.A.P Guidelines for transportation of fresh fruits; G.A.P Practices for fresh fruit handlers.

From 2017, Mr. Adonis is PCQI and Grower's Lead trainer according to the Produce Safety Alliance requirements. He has trained around 2500 growers in 45 courses organized by ASOEX. Those training courses have been given all along Chile covering multiple types of fruit crops. From 2018 he is Lead trainer for the part 117 of the FSMA regulation, which applies to plants that must develop a Food Safety Plan.