

**Name:**

Sylwia Biszto Szczesny

**Country:**

Poland

**Company:**

MLYNY SZCZEPANKI SP. Z O.O.

**Job Title:**

Quality Systems Manager

**What is your current role?**

I am a Quality Systems Manager in the milling industry, at a plant in Northern Poland. We produce wheat and rye flour as well as wheat and rye bran.

I'm responsible for the implementation and maintenance of the food safety system in the organisation. The system includes HACCP, FSSC 22000 and BRCGS on the food side and GMP+ on the feed side, BRCGS being the most complex and complete standard for the organisation.

**Why did you join the BRCGS Professional Programme?**

I joined the BRCGS Professional Programme because I believe that I can acquire the most knowledge from the source.

**What value do you personally feel the Professional certification brings to you?**

During my career, I have taken part in lots of food safety management training. However, to attain Food Safety Culture Excellence I wanted to strengthen and expand my knowledge of the BRCGS Standards.

**How has/will the recognition programme impacted your work?**

Certification will not only help me day-to-day but could also contribute to helping other organisations, as I would like to be able to offer mentorship and advice to peers within the food industry. The recognition will surely have a significant impact on my current work, bringing new solutions and expanding my knowledge.

**How did you get to your current role?**

I have been working in the food industry for more than nine years, starting with investment and development projects and gradually going deeper into production and monitoring processes. I believe that there is meaning in food safety, particularly in today's fast changing world.

**What are your career ambitions/aims?**

I plan to become a BRCGS auditor and promote BRCGS in Poland.