

## Christine Tacon – Biography

Christine Tacon is best known as the first Groceries Code Adjudicator, a government regulator role she finished in October 2020. She achieved significant cultural change in her 2 terms of office, bringing greater fairness for producers supplying the UK's largest supermarkets.

In January 2021, she was appointed chair of Assured Food Standards (Red Tractor) which manages and promotes assurance on behalf of the food industry.

For the last 5 years she has been chair of MDS, a graduate recruitment and training business offering two years' work experience and a qualification in management for future leaders of the food and fresh produce industry.

She is also chair of the BBC Rural Affairs Committee which meets to inform producers and researchers about current rural activities and she runs the Women in Food and Farming network to help women in the industry develop their skills and confidence.

Christine, a Chartered Engineer, with 12 years' experience in sales and marketing (Fonterra, Mars and Vodafone) ran the Co-operative Group's farming business, the largest in the UK, for 11 years.