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Anneli Ivarsson (MD, PhD) is a specialist in paediatrics with focus on CD, and also trained in epidemiology and public health sciences. She has an extensive experience in planning, coordinating and analysing large epidemiological studies. Presently she has a permanent position as senior lecturer/researcher in epidemiology with focus on children and adolescent health at the unit of Epidemiology and Public Health Sciences, Department of Public Health and Clinical Medicine, Umeå University. The unit is nationally and internationally well recognized within its field and designated a collaborating centre to the World Health Organization on Epidemiological Surveillance and Public Health Training.

She will contribute to CDEUSSA with experience in multicenter population based epidemiological studies on CD and knowledge in public health sciences, besides a general knowledge on CD and associated areas. As responsible for the National incidence register of CD in Swedish children, and attached multicenter studies, she is well-established within the research community, and is also able to contribute with her network of links to practising physicians, the patients' organisation, and enterprises developing and producing infant foods, gluten-free products and diagnostic tools. She will contribute actively in all parts of this project, however, with especial emphasis on developing a common research strategy on CD (WP 5).