

Examiner's declaration of non-conflict of Interest

Examiner's name:

Student's name:

Student's number:

Student's Research Advisor:

Thesis title:

I, the undersigned declare that to my best knowledge there is no personal involvement of mine and/or conflict of interest (as defined in the attached appendix) with the above mentioned student.

Date:

Signature:

Appendix: Conflict of Interest Definition

Every Committee member must announce any conflict of interest with the candidate. The Cypriot law's principle of impartiality dictates (http://www.cylaw.org/nomoi/enop/ind/1999_1_158/section-sc394143e8-d0ba-83d4-0259-b24d5d08b2cd.html):

"A person who has a special relationship or kinship by blood or marriage up to the fourth degree or is in acute enmity with the person concerned with the case under consideration or who has an interest in its outcome shall not participate in the production of the administrative act."

In regard to the Committee, special relationship or interest in outcome occurs when:

1. the Committee member has co-authored any number of publications with the candidate in the last 5 years or more than 10% of the Scopus-indexed publications of the candidate is co-authored with the Committee member.
2. the Committee member has co-authored any number of research or innovation funding proposals with the candidate in the last 5 years.
3. the Committee member has been directly funded by a research or innovation project led by the candidate.
4. the Committee member and the candidate have been employed in the same organization/company/institution in the last 3 years and the candidate has had management or leadership responsibility over the Committee member.

* Note that the PhD supervisor as a Committee member does not have fill in a non-conflict of interest form.