

DECLARATION OF IMPARTIALITY

(top management)

The SMC Slovensko a.s. private body involved in the certification services by its constitution document, in the person of the legal representative (AU), Rocco Calabrese , acquired by the relative mandate the following responsibilities:

Declares

to act impartially in management system certification activity. I understand the importance of impartiality in carrying out management system certification activities. I commit myself, in the name of SMC Slovensko , to manage possible conflict of interests and I ensure the objectivity of SMC Slovensko management system certification activity.

SMC Slovensko requires personnel internal and external to reveal any situation known to them that may present them or the certification body with a conflict of interest. SMC Slovensko shall use this information as input to identifying threats to impartiality raised by the activities of such personnel or by the organizations that employ them, and shall not use such personnel, internal or external, unless they can demonstrate that there is no conflict of interest.

SMC Slovensko has a committee for the safeguard of impartiality whose aim is to help SMC Slovensko to develop policy related to impartiality and to check that our certification body works in accordance to these policies, and to conduct a review once a year on the conduct of audit, on certification decision

In addition to what above mentioned, SMC Slovensko follows the requirements of ISO/IEC 27006, and with particular reference to the conflict of interest, SMC Slovensko can carry out the following without being considered as consultancy or having a potential conflict of interest:

- a. certification, including information meetings, planning meetings, examination of documents, auditing (not internal ISMS auditing or internal security reviews) and follow up of non conformities,
- b. arranging and participating as a lecturer in training courses, provided that, where these courses relate to information security management, related management systems or auditing, SMC Slovensko confines itself to the provision of generic information and advice which is freely available in the public domain (for example doesn't provide company-specific advice which contravenes the requirements of clause c);

- c) making available or publishing on request information describing SMC Slovensko's interpretation of the requirements of the certification of the standards;
- d) activities prior to the audit, solely aimed at determining readiness for certification audit, however such activities do not result in the provision of recommendations or advice that would contravene this clause and SMC Slovensko is able to confirm that such activities do not contravene these requirements and that they are not used to justify a reduction in the eventual certification audit duration;
- e) performing second and third party audits according to standards or regulation other than those being part of the scope of accreditation;
- adding value during certification audits and surveillance visit, e.g. by identifying opportunities for improvement, as they become evident during the audit without recommending specific solutions.
- SMC Slovensko is independent from the body or bodies which provide the internal ISMS audit of the client organization's ISMS subject to certification.

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