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## **Declaration of Impartiality**

- 1. we will provide all the needed resources to ensure that the certification services to be performed in our institution are carried out in accordance with the Halal Accreditation and standards of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) / Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC).
- 2. we will actively participate in quality management system applications at all necessary stages,
- 3. we will carry out certification activities in an impartial and fair manner and will not allow commercial, financial or other pressures that would jeopardize impartiality,
- 4. we will continually identify risks that could be affected the impartiality of our institutions,
- 5. we will act impartially regarding applicants, potential client and Certified Client Organizations
- 6. we will not take part in any activity that may cause conflict with the independence and accuracy of audit/evaluation regarding the carried-out certification activities,
- 7. we will not assign personnel who have duties and responsibilities in certification work to certification activities in case of conflict of duties or of interest.
- 8. we will comply with legal legislation and relevant certification program requirements regarding certification activities, provided that they do not conflict with Islamic requirements. In cases of clear conflict, Islamic requirements shall take precedence,
- 9. we will handle all obtained or created information during the certification activities in accordance with the principle of confidentiality,
- 10. we will not disclose obtained information during the certification process or from sources other than the applicant, candidate or certified person to an unauthorized party without the written permission from the respective person (applicant, potential client and Certified Client Organizations) except where the law requires the disclosure,
- 11. when we need to give confidential information due to legal obligation, we will notify applicant, potential client and Certified Client Organizations about the information to be given, if there are no legal obstacles,
- 12. we will not apply any pressure to the involved personnel in certification activities that will affect their decisions.
- 13. We will not allow the personnel who are involved in Halal certification and auditing activities to take part in any certification decision-making processes we undertake and declare for reflecting the essence of our impartiality that we will not compromise in any way on the principles of

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independence, freedom from conflicts of interest, freedom from bias, freedom from prejudice, neutrality, fairness, open-mindedness, no favouritism, non-prejudice and preservation of balance.

14. We do not provide consulting services to companies that are certified by us or seek certification. This ensures that our independence and impartiality in the certification process are fully maintained.

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