

The senior management of the CB IMS INTERNATIONAL GmbH (hereinafter - CB) is fully aware that ensuring impartiality in its activities for all interested parties is a necessary condition for carrying out works that deserve public trust.

In order to ensure trust in its activities and its results, CB on a regular basis identifies threats to impartiality that may arise from:

• personal interest;

• self-assessments;

• friendly relations;

• intimidation;

• threat of competition.

CB takes measures in response to known risks to its impartiality, which arose as a result of the actions of other persons, bodies or organizations.

CB is responsible for the impartiality of its conformity assessment activities and does not allow any commercial, financial or other influence to threaten impartiality.

CB demonstrates the elimination and minimization of its risks within the scope of the activities of the CB Council.

In particular, CB and its personnel shall not:

• be the developer, manufacturer, installer, supplier or maintainer of the evaluated product, process or service;

• offer or provide any consulting to its clients, in particular regarding the management system or internal audit.

CB strongly refrains from making statements and/or insinuations that compliance assessment can be simpler, easier, faster or cheaper if a certain consulting organization is involved.

CB makes efforts to ensure that the activities of third-party legal entities with which CB has relations do not compromise the impartiality of its conformity assessment activities.

The activity of CB in no way can be offered on the market as an activity related to the activity of the organization providing consulting.

All personnel of CB (both full-time and engaged auditors and experts) must fully understand the principles and obligations set forth in this statement and act impartially.

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