

Declaration of Interest 2025

This Form should be used for the Declaration of Interests, as referred to in the Decision of the Administrative Board of the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators No 02/2015 of 31 January 2012 and Decision No 16/2022 of 14 December 2022 (the latter applicable for the Administrative Board) and where relevant, reflecting the legislative background (Regulation (EU) no 2019/942, Directive (EU) 2019/944, and Directive 2009/73/EC).

Broadly speaking, there is a conflict of interest where the impartiality and objectivity of a decision, opinion or recommendation of the Agency and/or its bodies, is or might in the public perception be compromised by an interest held by, or entrusted to, an individual working for the Agency. However, having an interest does not necessarily mean having a conflict of interest. In particular, high quality of expertise is by nature based on prior experience. Declaring an interest does therefore not automatically disqualify someone or limit their participation in the activities of the Agency.

The Declaration of Interests form is not intended to provide an exhaustive list of potential interests: other elements that might jeopardise the independence of those involved when working in or with the Agency should also be indicated in the Declaration.

The completed Declarations will be reviewed in accordance with the Agency's Policy for the prevention and management of conflicts of interest.

Name and surname: Atanas Georgiev

Position in ACER¹: AB Alternate

☒ **I hereby declare the following interests that could be prejudicial to my independence (please specify the interest that you or your close family members² currently have or have had in the recent past³).**

I. EMPLOYMENT, CONSULTANCY, LEGAL REPRESENTATION OR ADVICE

In order to assess the possibility of a conflict of interest, please provide details of any employment held or any other professional relationship entered into in the recent past⁴ by you or your close family members⁵ with a natural or legal entity⁶ or other organisation⁷ with an interest in the field of activity of the Agency.

☐ **I have nothing to declare in this respect**

☒ **I declare the following interest sets**

ACTIVITY	TIME PERIOD	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION
Dean, Head of Department, Associate Professor at FEBA	11.2007 - Ongoing	Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski	The Faculty of Economics and Business Administration is an internationally accredited business school, part of Sofia University (public university)
Sole owner and Manager of a consultancy company	04.2016 - Ongoing	D-1 Monitoring Ltd.	An Ltd. company founded for providing consultancy services. One major activity in the period since its establishment: supporting Advolis (France) in its function as "Monitoring Trustee" for the DG COMP Case "AT.39767 BEH Electricity" (in the period May 2016 to April 2021). No recent activities.
Family co-owner of 1/3 and Manager of a Publishing company	01.2010 - Ongoing	Public Services Ltd.	An LTD company publishing magazines ("Utilities" and "Facilities") and organizing trainings and conferences for young professionals in the utilities sector.

II. MEMBERSHIP OF MANAGING BODY, ADVISORY BODY OR EQUIVALENT STRUCTURE

In order to assess the possibility of a conflict of interest, please provide details of any participation by you or your close family members⁸ in the recent past⁹ in the internal decision-making of a commercial entity or other organisation or in the works of an Advisory Body with voting rights on the outputs of such an entity, when there may be an interest in the field of activity of the Agency.

☐ I have nothing to declare in this respect

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ACTIVITY	TIME PERIOD	DESCRIPTION
Member of the Management Board of Association "Electric Vehicles Industrial Cluster" in Bulgaria	07.2019 - Ongoing	EVIC is a national sector organization for electric mobility. It brings together its members for industrial, technological and business development, strategic developments, legislative changes, higher and vocational education and training, standardization connection with central and local authorities, and others. In the organization actively participate and representatives of the scientific and educational community. Honorary member of the organization is the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences.

ACTIVITY	TIMEPERIOD	DESCRIPTION
Member of the Management Board at the "National Committee of Bulgaria to the World Energy Council"	07.2016 - 07.2024	The National Committee of Bulgaria to the World Energy Council (NCBWEC) is the Bulgarian Member Committee of the World Energy Council. NCBWEC organizes the Bulgarian participation in WEC activities, participates in international energy projects organized by WEC, and promotes and disseminates information about WEC. NCBWEC was established in September 2002. It is a non-profit organization devoted to the social benefit. NCBWEC is a voluntary association of individuals, private and public entities.

III. OTHER MEMBERSHIP OR AFFILIATION

In order to assess the possibility of a conflict of interest, please provide details of any membership or affiliation either of yourself or of your close family members¹⁰ in the recent past¹¹. For completeness, please also provide details of any other arrangements, other than those declared in Sections I and II above, which can be perceived as creating a potential conflict of interest.

☐ I have nothing to declare in this respect

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ACTIVITY	TIME PERIOD	DESCRIPTION
Member of the International Association for Energy Economics	01.2013 - Ongoing	An independent, non-profit, global membership organization for business, government, academic and other professionals concerned with energy and related issues in the international community.
Member of the Advisory Council in relation to the European Green Deal at the Ministerial Council of the Republic of Bulgaria	06.2020 - 08.2022	A public consultation body for discussion of energy decarbonisation efforts of the Bulgarian government. Participation in the Advisory Council as representative of Sofia University.

IV. RESEARCH FUNDING

In order to assess the possibility of a conflict of interest, please provide details of any support (including grants, rents, sponsorships, fellowships, non-monetary support) that you, your close family members¹² or any research entity to which you or your close family members belong(ed) has received in the recent past¹³, from a commercial entity or other organisation with an interest in the field of activity of the Agency.

☒ I have nothing to declare in this respect

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V. INVESTMENTS

In order to assess the possibility of a conflict of interest, please provide details of any current investment that you or your close family¹⁴ members have in a commercial entity with an interest in the field of activity of the Agency (including holding of stocks and shares, stock options, equity, bonds, partnership interest in the capital of such undertaking) or in one of its subsidiaries. Investment should generally be declared only if they exceed 10,000 EUR per commercial entity or if they entitle to a voting right of 5% or more in a commercial entity¹⁵.

- ☒ **I have nothing to declare in this respect**
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VI. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

In order to assess the possibility of a conflict of interest, please indicate any other elements that could be seen as jeopardising your independence when working for the Agency.

- ☒ **I have nothing to declare in this respect**
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AGENCY POLICY

I, hereby, declare that I have read Decision No 02/2015 containing Agency's Policy for the prevention and management of conflict of interests and any relevant additional decision applicable to me and that the above Declaration of Interests is to my best knowledge complete and in compliance with such Decisions and where relevant, the legislative background and its further implementing acts whenever existent. I understand that the Declarations of Interest will be processed according to the Policy for the prevention and management of conflicts of interest and entered in a register held by the Agency.

- ☒ **I've read and I agree**

DATA PROTECTION

The Declaration of Interest of Agency's board members, of Agency's Working Group's Chairs and Vice-Chairs, of Task Force's Conveners, of the Agency's Director and Senior Management will also be published on the Agency's website. For security and data protection reasons the signatures provided on the Declaration of Interest will not be visible when it is published on the Agency's website. Please note that the Agency will ensure that your personal data hereby submitted is processed in line with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data. For more details on the processing of your personal data, see the privacy statement applicable to your situation. If you include information on close family members, please inform them that the Agency will be processing data related to them.

☒ I've read and I agree

IDENTITY CONFIRMATION

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☒ I, Atanas Georgiev, hereby confirm, on my honor, that I am personally submitting this declaration

Submitted on: 06.02.2025

Signature: Atanas Georgiev

1 If you are both a member of the Board of Regulators and of an Agency Working Group, please indicate both functions.

2 'Close family members' are considered to be the persons forming a household with the person making this declaration (spouse, partner, and/or dependent children). In case you add information on your close family members, please inform them that the Agency will be processing these data about them and that further information is available on the Agency's website.

3 It is suggested that the Declaration covers current interest as well as those held over at least the last 5 years.

4 See footnote 3.

5 See footnote 2.

6 This includes any commercial business, industry association, consultancy, research institution or other enterprise whose funding is significantly arrived from commercial sources. It also includes independent own commercial businesses, law offices, consultancies or similar.

7 This includes governmental, international or non-profit organisations.

8 See footnote 2.

9 See footnote 3.

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14 See footnote 2.

15 You may exclude financial interests held through an investment fund, pension fund and/or interests in non-nominal unit trusts or similar arrangements, provided that these investments are broadly diversified and you have no influence on their financial management.

16 OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39.

17 http://www.acer.europa.eu/en/The_agency/Pages/Data-Protection.aspx.