**Annex 1**

**DECLARATION**

**of confidentiality and impartiality and on conflict of interest[[1]](#footnote-1)**

(for external evaluator)

I, the undersigned (first name, last name) ………….…………...................……, as a member of the Assessment Working Group (AWG), **Interreg VI-A Romania–Hungary** Programme, having the role of **external evaluator**, within the assessment session of the (name of the Call for proposals) ...................................................................................... hereby confirm that I am aware of the tasks and responsibilities that I shall undertake, and I declare that I shall execute them with confidentiality and impartiality, in compliance with the Programme, the relevant Assessment and Selection Methodology, the Applicant’s Guide relevant for the above-mentioned Call and other documents necessary for the assessment process.

I hereby declare on my own responsibility, in line with applicable law for false statements that:

* + I was not involved in the preparation of a project proposal, documents/studies related to an application that I am going to assess;
  + I am not a shareholder; I have no interest and I do not own stock of the consultant company which developed applications that I am going to assess;
  + I am not a member of the board of directors/ management of the consultant company which developed applications that I am going to assess;
  + I am not employee of the lead applicant and/or any of its partners;
  + Neither I nor my spouse or my relatives are in the board of directors/ management and/or do own shares/ stock of the lead applicant and/or any of its partners;
  + I have no interest that would jeopardize my impartiality during the assessment process of the applications that I am going to assess.
  + I am not a member, observer, or a person in an advisory capacity[[2]](#footnote-2) of the Programme’s Monitoring Committee.

In addition, I commit myself to maintain confidentiality of the content of applications and other documents submitted for assessment, and of other presented information, as its disclosure may affect royalty rights and/or commercial interest of the designer and/or of the applicants. Furthermore, I also declare to hold in trust and confidence and not to disclose to any third party any confidential information and documents revealed to me, and I agree to use it only for the purpose directly related to my activities as evaluator/ observer.

In case I have knowledge of the occurrence of a conflict of interest subsequent to my signing of the present declaration or of any breach of confidentiality/impartiality, I commit myself to inform immediately the head of the Joint Secretariat and to withdraw from the AWG if the Joint Secretariat considers it necessary.

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| Name |  |
| Signature |  |
| Date |  |

1. Declaration to be completed prior to the assessment session [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. According to the rules of procedure of the Monitoring Committee. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)