

APPENDIX 2

CONFLICT OF INTEREST RULES

A conflict of interest for a Committee Member shall be deemed to exist under any of the following circumstances:

A Committee Member is working in the same Department as an applicant;

A Committee Member is an applicant or a collaborator in the project before the Committee;

A Committee Member has supervised an applicant within the previous five years and is a member of the same Institution;

A Committee Member has, or has had, a personal relationship with the applicant;

Any other reason as considered relevant by the committee member.

Applications from committee members will only be considered where two external referees reports are available.

Where a conflict of interest exists, a committee member must leave the room when the application is being considered and cannot score the application or take any part in its assessment.