

## DECLARATION OF INTEREST

**First Name:** Nico  
**Surname:** PEELEN  
**Profession:** BELEES Project Manager  
 Involvement with eu-LISA: **Member of the EES AG**

hereby declares to have the following interests relating to his or her eu-LISA activities

*(Please specify the interest that you or your spouse / partner / dependent family members currently have or have had last year and/or in the past two years.)*

Financial interest <sup>4</sup>	Current? Please answer Yes or No	Period <sup>1</sup> From/To (Month/year)	Organisation <sup>2</sup>	Subject matter <sup>3</sup>
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1. Please specify the relevant period of time each activity took place in (month/year).
2. Please indicate name, location and nature of the organisation.
3. Please indicate the subject matter of the activity, your precise role.
4. Please indicate any direct financial interests (managerial stakes in companies, including ownerships of patents or any other relevant intellectual property rights), or assets (shares and/or securities held in companies) or grants or other funding of a value above EUR 5000.00 net/year, which might create a conflict of interests in the performance of your duties, with an indication of their number and value, as well as the name of the company/provider of the grant/funding.

Current and past activities <sup>5</sup>	Current? Please answer Yes or No	Period <sup>1</sup> From/To (Month/year)	Organisation <sup>2</sup>	Subject matter <sup>3</sup>
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1. Please specify the relevant period of time each activity took place in (month/year).
2. Please indicate name, location and nature of the organisation.
3. Please indicate the subject matter of the activity, your precise role.
5. Please indicate posts held over the last two years in foundations or similar bodies, institutions, companies or other organisations; other membership/affiliation or professional activities held over the last year, including services, liberal professions, consulting activities, and relevant public statements, part-time or full-time, paid or unpaid with an interest falling within eu-LISA's remit.

Spouse's/partner's/dependent family members' current activity <sup>6</sup>	Period <sup>1</sup> From/To (Month/year)	Organisation <sup>2</sup>	Subject matter <sup>7</sup>
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1. Please specify when each activity started (month/year).
2. Please indicate name, location and nature of the organisation.
6. Please indicate your Spouse's / partner's / dependent family members' current activity and financial interests that might entail a risk of conflict of interests (dependent family member means the direct descendants who are under the age of 21 or are dependants and those of the spouse or partner).
7. Please indicate the subject matter of the activity, your spouse's / partner's / dependent family members' precise role.

Any other relevant interests <sup>8</sup>	Period <sup>1</sup> From/To (Month/year)	Description <sup>9</sup>
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1. Please specify when each activity started (month/year).
8. Please indicate any other relevant interest.
9. Please describe the interest.

**I confirm that** (please indicate the relevant point below):

- I believe I have a conflict of interest with respect to the following eu-LISA activity \_\_\_\_\_ or
- I believe I do not have a conflict of interest with respect to my activity at eu-LISA.

**I declare that I have read the eu-LISA Rules on the prevention and management of conflict of interests and that the above declaration is truthful and complete.**

**Date:** 07/12/2020      **Signature:**      Signed in original

If you need more sheets to declare your interests, do not hesitate to use blank ones or to ask for them, but please sign each one of them and attach them to this form.

*Definition of conflict of interests*

*A conflict of interest generally refers to a situation where the impartiality and objectivity of a decision, opinion or recommendation of eu-LISA is or might be perceived as being compromised by a personal interest held or entrusted to a given individual.*

## DATA PROTECTION

eu-LISA processes all declarations of interest (Dol), pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community Institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data.

The purpose of the processing operations aims at avoiding conflicts of interests to protect the integrity of eu-LISA decisions from illegitimate interests.

The Dol processing is based on Article 5(a) of Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 according to Article 19.1 (i) of Regulation (EU) 1726/2018 on eu-LISA and Article 41(4) of the Financial Regulation of eu-LISA.

For publication, only the names of members of the Management Board shall be made available, based on Article 5(b) of Regulation (EC) No 45/2001.

The MB Secretariat of the eu-LISA collects, keeps, and safeguards all Dols completed by the MB and AG members, in line with the form in Annex 1, together with assessments results as items of the MB and AG files.

Data subjects can exercise their rights of access and rectification of the factual data at any time before the closure of the appraisal process by contacting the unit at

[management-board@eulisa.europa.eu](mailto:management-board@eulisa.europa.eu)

The categories of data processed are: name, position, previous or current employments, ownership or other investments including shares, membership of a managing body or entity, intellectual property rights, spouse/partner's/dependent family members current activity, and other relevant interest, which might create a conflict of interest in the performance of duties of the declarant.

Dols may be completed on paper or electronically.

The recipients of the Dol are the persons and bodies identified in these rules. Dols may be transferred to bodies in charge of a monitoring or inspection task in conformity with Union Law, including the European Court of Auditors, the Internal Audit Service of the EC, the Internal Audit Capability of eu-LISA, OLAF, the European Ombudsman and the European Data Protection Supervisor.

The conservation period of Dol per category of data subjects is five years from the date of submission of the relevant Dol, which can be extended for a specific period as long as duly justified.

Data subjects have a right to access their Dol and to update or correct it at any time. In case eu-LISA has knowledge of information that is not consistent with the declared interest, or in case of failure to submit a Dol, the data subject concerned are contacted with the purpose to update the Dol on the missing information. In case a breach of the rules procedure is opened, the data subject is notified without delay.

The Data Protection Officer of eu-LISA (DPO) will ensure the compliance of these rules with the data protection legal framework. Data subjects also are entitled to have recourse at any time to eu-LISA's DPO ([dpo@eulisa.europa.eu](mailto:dpo@eulisa.europa.eu)) or directly to the European Data Protection Supervisor ([edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)) <http://www.edps.europa.eu>.

## ANNUAL PUBLIC STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

**Name:** Nico PEELLEN

**Representing:** Belgium at the EES AG

I hereby undertake to perform my duties in the public interest and to comply with the provisions of Article 29<sup>1</sup> of Regulation (EU) 1726/2018 on the European Union Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (eu-LISA), and amending Regulation (EC) 1987/2006 and Council Decision 2007/533/JHA and repealing Regulation (EU) 1077/2011 and the Rules of Procedure of the Agency<sup>2</sup>.

In particular, I am aware that I am obliged to complete and sign an Annual Statement, in which I commit to act in the public interest and to respect the confidential character of the deliberations of the Management Board and of the documents transmitted by the Agency, for the performance of my tasks in the Management Board.

In accordance with Article 22<sup>3</sup> of the Rules of Procedure, I shall also declare any interests which might be considered prejudicial to my independence or which might interfere with my activities for the Agency overall and in relation to any particular items on the agenda of any meetings of the Management Board.

Done in **Brussels**, on 07/12/2020

Signed in original

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- <sup>1</sup> Article 29 of Regulation (EU) 1726/2018 on the eu-LISA reads: 'Public interest: The members of the Management Board, the Executive Director, the Deputy Executive Director and the members of the Advisory Groups shall undertake to act in the public interest. For that purpose, they shall issue an annual, written, public statement of commitment, which shall be published on the Agency's website.  
The list of members of the Management Board and of members of the Advisory Groups shall be published on the Agency's website.'
  - <sup>2</sup> Rules of Procedure of the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice, document number 2015-153, adopted on 18.11.2015.
  - <sup>3</sup> Rules of Procedure, Article 22: "Conflicts of Interest : At the beginning of each meeting of the Management Board or of the Advisory Groups, the persons attending the meetings pursuant to Articles 3 and 14 respectively shall inform the Chairperson of any conflict of interest with regard to a particular item on the agenda.  
In the event of such a conflict of interest, the person concerned shall, at the request of the Chairperson, withdraw from the meeting whilst the relevant items of the agenda are being dealt with."