

## Standard form for Disclosures of Interest

I, Bassam Elassaad {nominated by Lebanon} {residing in Canada}, a Member of the TEAP Decision XXXI/1 Task Force on the replenishment of the Multilateral Fund for the implementation of the Montreal Protocol (hereinafter referred to as the Replenishment Task Force or RTF) declare as follows:

- 1) I have read the Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Guidelines for the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel, its Technical Options Committees and Temporary Subsidiary Bodies (“the COI Guidelines”) as adopted by the Meeting of the Parties in Decision XXIV/8.
- 2) I am a self-employed independent consultant] at. My responsibilities include: In my capacity as RTOC and TSB member, an amount of my working time is spent on RTOC and TSB issues. I also do on voluntary basis work for industry and engineering societies like ASHRAE. As an independent consultant, I provide services to organizations and institutes dealing with technical, environmental, and regulatory issues related to the refrigeration and air conditioning industry. I do consulting work for implementing agencies on matters related to the Montreal Protocol. All consultancies are conducted on a short-term assignment basis.
- 3) This declaration constitutes my written agreement, pursuant to paragraph 8 of the COI Guidelines, to comply with the Guidelines. I understand that this written agreement is a condition of my service.
- 4) My interests<sup>1</sup> {, and those of my personal partner} {and dependants}, include the following -

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<sup>1</sup> When making a disclosure of interest, consider the COI Guidelines as a whole, and in particular the Annex which gives the following illustrative list of interests that should be disclosed -

*(a) A current proprietary interest of a member or his/her personal partner or dependent in a substance, technology or process (e.g., ownership of a patent) to be considered by the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel or any of its technical options committees or temporary subsidiary bodies;*

*(b) A current financial interest of a member or his/her personal partner or dependent, e.g., shares or bonds in an entity with an interest in the subject matter of the meeting or work (but not shareholdings through general mutual funds or similar arrangements where the expert has no control over the selection of shares);*

*(c) A current employment, consultancy, directorship or other position held by a Member or his/her personal partner or dependent, whether or not paid, in any entity which has an interest in the subject matter of the Technology and Economic Assessment Panel. This element of disclosure also includes paid consultancy efforts performed on behalf of an implementing agency to assist developing countries to adopt alternatives;*

*(d) The provision of advice on significant issues to a government with respect to its implementation of the Montreal Protocol or engaging in the development of significant policy positions of a government for a Montreal Protocol meeting;*

*(e) Performance of any paid research activities or receipt of any fellowships or grants for work related to a proposed use of an ozone-depleting substance or an alternative to a proposed use of an ozone depleting substance.*

- a. **Proprietary interests:** [ None related or ODS or their alternatives ]
  - b. **Financial interests:** [None related or ODS or their alternatives ]
  - c. **Employment, consultancy, directorship or other positions:** [ Please refer to numeral 2 above ]
  - d. **Government advice and other policy development:** [ None ]
  - e. **Paid research activities, fellowships or grants:** [ None ]
  - f. **Other interests:** [None related or ODS or their alternatives ]
- 5) The source of funding for my participation in the work of the TEAP RTF is [ UN Environment support to Article-5 members ]<sup>2</sup>
- 6) Pursuant to paragraph 11 of the COI Guidelines I declare that I have not declined to disclose information falling within paragraph 10 of those Guidelines.
- 7) I undertake to disclose any material change to any of the above information, pursuant to paragraph 9 of the COI Guidelines, within 30 days of any such change.
- 8) I undertake to make further declarations of interest annually for so long as I remain a member of the TEAP RTF.
- 9) I understand that this DOI will expire no later than one year after I have signed it.

**Bassam Elassaad**

**Date January 20, 2020**

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Relevant financial relationships between Members should be disclosed.

<sup>2</sup> Where a Member benefits from finance that has been channelled through a conduit, the Member should also identify the source of the finance.