

### INTERNAL REGULATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS IN BRATISLAVA

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# Rules for Internal Governance of the Expert Institute of the University of Economics in Bratislava

The University of Economics in Bratislava (hereinafter also referred to as "EUBA" or "the University") is issuing, in accordance with Article 5(4) of the EUBA Constitution, this internal regulation entitled Rules for Internal Governance of the Expert Institute of the University of Economics in Bratislava.

#### Article 1

#### **Fundamental Provisions**

- 1. The Rules for Internal Governance of the Expert Institute of the University of Economics in Bratislava (hereinafter also referred to as "the EUBA EI") regulate EUBA EI's legal status, areas or activity, organisational structure and internal management relations.
- 2. These Rules for Internal Governance are binding on all EUBA EI employees who have employment relationship with the University as well as on all persons who perform work under contracts for work conducted outside employment or who are in any manner involved in the EUBA EI's activities.

### Article 2 EUBA EI's Legal Status and Areas of Activity

- 1. The EUBA EI is a EUBA unit having no legal personality of its own.
- 2. The EUBA EI is a separate expert witness, educational and research unit of the University, included in the University's organisational structure as defined by the relevant provisions of its constitution.
- 3. In accordance with the Act No. 382/2004 on expert witnesses, translators and interpreters and on amendments and supplements of certain laws (hereinafter also referred to as "the Act No. 382/2004"), EUBA is registered in the List of Expert Witnesses, Translators and Interpreters maintained by the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic (hereinafter also referred to as "the Ministry") as Expert Institute under registration number 900016 in the field 090000: Economics and Management and in the field 510000: Economics and Corporate Management.
- 4. In accordance with the Act No. 382/2004, EUBA is registered in the List of Expert Witnesses, Translators and Interpreters maintained by the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic as Expert Organisation under registration number 900125 in the field 090000: Economics and Management, sub-category 090100: Accounting and Taxation, 090200: Personnel Management, 090300: Controlling and 090400: Finance.
- 5. Specifications of the content of expert fields and sub-categories is governed by a separate regulation (Annex 2 to the Decree of the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic No. 228/2018).
- 6. The EUBA EI performs, within the scope its authorisation, expert witness activities under Article 16 *et seq*. of the Act No. 382/2004 as Expert Institution in accordance with Article 2(3) hereof or as Expert Organisation in accordance with Article 2(4) hereof.
- 7. The EUBA EI performs expert investigation as well as investigation other than expert investigation for contractors being public authority bodies or other natural and legal persons, based on an order, in accordance with a resolution, another decision on inviting an expert institution or expert organisation to participate in the proceedings, writ of summons or an agreement concluded separately for delivering expert investigation or investigation other than expert investigation.
- 8. Expert investigation constitutes, in particular, an expert witness report and its supplements, expert opinion or certificate and expert statement and explanation, as defined by a separate regulation (Article 16 *et seq*. of the Act No. 382/2004).

- 9. Investigation other than expert investigation constitutes, in particular, expert evaluation, expert study, expertise, forensic audit, expert consultations or any other act of expert or scientific nature that does not constitute investigation as defined by Article 16 of the Act No. 382/2004.
- 10. The EUBA EI, as an expert institution within the meaning of Article 2(3) hereof, also fulfils the function of a sectoral and methodological centre as defined by Article 19 of the Act No. 382/2004, and performs expert witness activities particularly in extremely difficult instances that require special scientific assessment.
- 11. The EUBA EI, as an expert institution within the meaning of Article 2(3) hereof, further provides for minimum training courses and examinations as well as specialist education in the relevant field, to the extent and with the content as determined by the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic, and provides assistance to the Ministry in conducting specialist examinations for expert witnesses, verifying professional qualifications of expert witnesses, and performing inspection, educational, methodological and consultancy activities.
- 12. The EUBA EI, as an expert institution within the meaning of Article 2(3) hereof, cooperates with the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic in drafting new legislation concerning expert witnesses and expert investigation and in organising specialist examinations for expert witnesses in the field Economy and Management.
- 13. The primary mission of the EUBA EI as an expert institution within the meaning of Article 2(3) hereof is:
  - a) to carry out expert witness services,
  - b) to carry out professional and expertise activities as defined by Article 2(9) hereof,
  - c) to deliver educational activities aimed at teaching and further education of expert witnesses and candidate expert witness as well as further lecturing activities in the fields as registered,
  - d) to develop research activities in the field of expert witness activities,
  - e) to create and develop methodology for the expert investigation structure and methodology for expert witness activities in the expert fields as registered,
  - f) to transfer the acquired knowledge into teaching and practice,
  - g) to cooperate with University faculties and other University units, other expert institutes, and natural and legal persons both in Slovakia and abroad, in its field of competence,
  - h) to organise expert help for government authorities in harmonising Slovak law with EU legislation,
  - i) to conduct further expert activities under a special authorisation granted by the Rector.
- 14. The primary mission of the EUBA EI as an expert organisation within the meaning of Article 2(4) hereof is:
  - a) to carry out expert witness services,
  - b) to carry out professional and expertise activities as defined by Article 2(9) hereof,
- 15. The EUBA EI as an expert institution within the meaning of Article 2(3) hereof ensures the execution of tasks in the following main segments of activities:
  - a) expert witness activities,
  - b) professional and expertise activities as defined by Article 2(9) hereof,
  - c) educational activities,
  - d) research activities,
  - e) methodological activities.

- 16. The EUBA EI as an expert organisation within the meaning of Article 2(4) hereof ensures the execution of tasks in the following main segments of activities:
  - a) expert witness activities,
  - b) professional and expertise activities as defined by Article 2(9) hereof,

#### Article 3 EUBA EI's Organisational Structure

- 1. The EUBA EI's organisational structure is as follows:
  - a) EUBA EI Head,
  - b) EUBA EI Deputy Head,
  - c) person responsible for execution of expert witness activities,
  - d) expert witness,
  - e) expert staff member,
  - f) clerical staff member.
- 2. In performing an expert investigation activity, the EUBA EI is entitled, in accordance with Article 16(6) of the Act No. 382/2004, to invite a consultant in the relevant field to assess partial issues.

## Article 4 EUBA EI Head and EUBA EI Employees

- 1. The EUBA EI Head is appointed by the EUBA Rector based on a selection procedure conducted under the Principles of Selection Procedure to Fill University Teachers', Research Workers', Full Professors'/Associate Professors' and Senior Staff Members' Positions at University of Economics in Bratislava.
- 2. The EUBA EI Head accounts for the EUBA EI's activities to the competent EUBA Vice-Rector in accordance with the University's valid Rules for Internal Governance.
- 3. The person responsible for execution of expert witness activities is appointed by the Rector.
- 4. The person responsible for execution of expert witness activities may only be a person that meets the requirements stipulated by a separate regulation (Article 19(3)(c) of the Act No. 382/2004), i.e. person who has been awarded a scientific/pedagogical degree or artistic/pedagogical degree in the relevant or relative field, who is entered in the register as an expert witness and who is also a statutory body, statutory body member, legal proxy or employee of EUBA.
- 5. The EUBA EI Deputy Head is appointed by the EUBA EI Head and is accountable for his/her activities to the EUBA EI Head.
- 6. A EUBA employee entered in the List of Expert Witnesses, Translators and Interpreters maintained by the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic and assigned to the EUBA EI is considered an expert witness.
- 7. A EUBA employee who is not registered in the List of Expert Witnesses, Translators and Interpreters maintained by the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic and who is assigned to the EUBA EI is considered an expert staff member.

- 8. The expert witness and expert staff member are accountable for their activities, except for the activities referred to in Article 4(9) hereof, to the EUBA EI Head.
- 9. The expert witness is accountable for the quality of the expert investigation conducted by him/her to the person responsible for execution of expert witness activities.
- 10. The invited consultant is accountable for the acts performed for the EUBA EI to the person responsible for execution of expert witness activities.

# Article 5 Final Provisions

- 1. These Rules for Internal Governance shall become valid on the date of signing thereof, and effective on 1 September 2023.
- 2. Upon entry into force and effect hereof, the Rules for Internal Governance of the EUBA Expert Institute of 2 January 2021 shall be repealed.

Bratislava, on this 21st day of August 2023

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