

# CODE OF ETHICS

## of IKE Institute Membership



## INTRODUCTION

As a professional body the Institute of Innovation and Knowledge Exchange (known as the IKE or Innovation Institute), has a responsibility to set and uphold standards of the ethical and professional behaviour of its individual members. Such standards may be higher than those established by general law and enforced through disciplinary action.

Individual members should exercise their own judgement, in such a way as to be reasonably justified, to meet the requirements of the code.

### Allegations of breaches of the Code of Ethics

Allegations of breaches of the Code of Ethics may be brought to the attention of IKE Institute by any person or representative of an organisation. Allegations will be considered under the Institute's Disciplinary Procedures and could result in expulsion from membership.

Correspondence in connection with this Code of Ethics should be directed to:  
Membership Manager on: [info@IKEInstitute.org](mailto:info@IKEInstitute.org)

## This IKE Code of Ethics

- Sets out ethical and professional standards required as a condition of membership.
- Applies to all individual members, irrespective of their grade, the role they fulfil, or the jurisdiction where they are employed or discharge their contractual obligations.

In abiding by this Code of Ethics, individual members shall:

### 1. Public Interest

- 1.1. Demonstrate due regard for public health, privacy, security and wellbeing of others and the environment;
- 1.2. Conduct professional activities without discrimination on the grounds of sex, sexual orientation, marital status, nationality, colour, race, ethnic origin, religion, age or disability, or any other requirement; and
- 1.3. Promote equal access to the benefits of innovation and knowledge exchange.

### 2. Professional Integrity

- 2.1. Reject and not make any offer of bribery or unethical inducement;
- 2.2. NOT disclose or authorize to be disclosed, or use for personal gain or to benefit a third party, confidential information except with the necessary permission or as required by Legislation; and
- 2.3. NOT misrepresent or withhold information on products, systems or services (unless lawfully bound by a duty of confidentiality or legislation) or take advantage of the lack of relevant knowledge or inexperience of others.

### 3. Duty to the Profession

- 3.1. Uphold the reputation of the profession and IKE;
- 3.2. Undertake sufficient, relevant CPD as required within their role;
- 3.3. Encourage and support fellow members in their professional development; and
- 3.4. Notify IKE upon conviction of a criminal offence relating to intellectual property or copyright infringement or becoming disqualified as a Company Director.

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