

## **Clarifying impartiality in connection with doctoral degree examination – guide for head of institute at NIH**

When making a request to suggested members of the doctoral committee, the e-mail letter to be used aims to clarify that each suggested member:

- Do not have any family relations with the doctoral candidate
- Do not have had any supervisor function for the doctoral candidate regarding the candidate's doctoral work
- Do not have any joint publications with the doctoral candidate
- Have not contributed to the candidate's doctoral dissertation
- Do not have any scientific or work related co-operation or leadership responsibilities vis a vis the candidate, or have contributed in any engagement process of the candidate in any employment in which oneself is a part
- Do not have any joint publications with the candidate's supervisor(s) over the last three years
- Do not have any joint academic/research cooperation, such as applications for funding of joint research projects or cooperation in terms of ongoing joint research projects with the candidate and/or supervisor(s)