

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Think about conflicts of interest that could arise between your collective/coalition or a member of your collective/coalition (particularly one with decision-making authority), and the Commercial Advisor you wish to work with. If you identify an **actual, potential or perceived direct or an indirect conflict of interest**, you must declare this in your funding application.

**Conflicts of interest may occur on two different levels:**

A **direct** conflict of interest; where a Commercial Advisor and/or Assessor is:

- directly involved with a proposal (*as a participant, manager, mentor, or partner*) or has a close personal relationship with the applicant, for example, family members, or
- a collaborator or in some other way involved with an applicant's proposal.

An **indirect** conflict of interest; where a Commercial Advisor and/or Assessor:

- is employed by an organisation involved in a proposal but is not part of the applicant's proposal.
- has a personal and/or professional relationship with one of the applicants, e.g., an acquaintance.
- is assessing a proposal under discussion that may compete with their business interests.

**Please complete all fields:**

Name of Commercial Advisor's Business:

Name of Commercial Advisor (the specific person):

Contact phone:

Contact email:

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**Is the Commercial Advisor you have chosen to work with a member of your collective?**

Note: if the answer yes, then you are not able to work with this Commercial Advisor.

**Do you have any current or potential conflict of interest in relation to your proposed project and Commercial Advisor?**

**If yes**, please identify each person with a conflict, and describe the conflict and **how it will be dealt with**.

**Note:** Upload this form to IMS or send it to [mif@mbie.govt.nz](mailto:mif@mbie.govt.nz) MBIE will assess this form as part of your application.