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DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCEDURE FOR THE ELECTION TO THE POSITION OF THE RECTOR OF VILNIUS UNIVERSITY

CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Description of the Procedure for the Election to the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University (hereinafter the 'Description') shall establish the procedure for organising the election to the position of the Rector (hereinafter the 'Rector') of Vilnius University (hereinafter the 'University') via an open international competition, including the procedure for the announcement of an open international competition, the admission of documents by applicants to be candidates for the position of the Rector, registration of the candidates, consideration of the candidates by the Senate of the University (hereinafter the 'Senate'), presentations of the candidates to the University community and the Council of the University (hereinafter the 'Council'), as well as determination of the results of the competition and the establishment of the key terms and conditions of the employment contract with the Rector-elect and the conclusion thereof.

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2. The Description has been drawn up in compliance with the provisions of the Statute of Vilnius University (hereinafter the 'Statute') and the Republic of Lithuania Law on Higher Education and Research (hereinafter the 'Law on Higher Education and Research').

3. The terms used in the Description of the Procedure:

3.1. Applicant shall refer to a person who has submitted an application to participate in the Competition.

3.2. **Candidate** shall refer to an Applicant who has been registered by the Central Electoral Commission (hereinafter the 'Commission') as a candidate for the position of the Rector.

3.3. **Rector-elect** shall refer to the Candidate who has won the Competition to fill the position of the Rector.

3.4. **Application Documents** shall refer to the documents listed in Item 12 of this Description which must be submitted by every Applicant wishing to participate in the Competition.

3.5. **Competition** shall refer to an open international competition organised to fill the position of the Rector, announced by the Council and encompassing the announcement of any such competition, the admission of documents of the Applicants, the registration of the Candidates, the presentations of the Candidates as well as the consideration thereof by the Senate, the University community and the Council, the determination of the results and the winner of the Competition.

4. The election of the Rector shall be based on the principles of legitimacy, publicity, impartiality, transparency, fairness, equal rights, and academic freedom.

CHAPTER II

THE PROCEDURE FOR THE ORGANISATION OF THE ELECTION TO THE POSITION OF THE RECTOR

SECTION ONE

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE COMPETITION, ADDMISSION OF APPLICATION DOCUMENTS, REGISTRATION OF THE CANDIDATES AND CONSIDERATION OF THE CANDIDATES BY THE SENATE

5. The Council shall elect the Rector by a Competition for a term of 5 years. The Central Electoral Commission, following the conditions of the Competition, shall organise the Competition announced by the Council as well as the election to the position of the Rector and shall determine the result of the Competition.

6. The Council shall adopt the resolution to announce a Competition no later than 4 months before the end of the term of office of the outgoing Rector. In this resolution, the Council shall approve the content of the announcement of the Competition (following the form approved by the Council (Annex 1 to the Description)) and shall establish a term of at least 30 calendar days for submission of Application Documents by Applicants.

7. The Chairperson of the Central Electoral Commission shall, no later than on the working day following the adoption of the Council's resolution referred to in Item 6 of the Description, publish a announcement of the Competition on the website of the University and, if the Council so decides, on other media outlets specified in the Council's resolution, including in English.

8. After the announcement of the Competition, no changes to its terms and conditions shall be permitted. An announced Competition may be cancelled by a reasoned decision by the Council.

9. The announcement of the Competition shall contain the following information:

9.1. the position to be filled – the Rector's position, and the term of office -5 years;

9.2. the key terms and conditions of the employment contract to be concluded with the Rector – the size of the initial official monthly remuneration, the procedure adopted for determination and recalculation thereof; the declaration that no wage supplements, allowances, or bonuses shall be awarded to the Rector in addition to the official remuneration; the declaration of prohibition to take any other paid job or to hold any other paid position; the declaration of prohibition to teach at the University for more than two academic hours per week, with the said hours considered as remunerated under the Rector's employment contract.

9.3. applicable qualification requirements and other requirements, as provided for in Items 10 and 11 of the Description;

9.4. a list of Application Documents which must be submitted by every Applicant, the deadline and the procedure for submission thereof (by precisely specifying the final date and time for the submission of the documents);

9.5. the information on the time of announcing the dates and venues of the Council meetings dedicated for the presentations of the Candidates to the Council, as well as the dates and venues of the Candidates' presentations to the University community and the Candidates' debates;

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9.6. methods of provision of additional information on the Competition (contact e-mail, phone).

10. The position of Rector may be held by a person of impeccable repute with a doctoral degree in science (arts) or a recognised artist of impeccable repute with teaching and managerial experience. The activities of a candidate for the position of the Rector must show that they are aware of the mission of the University, uphold the values of the University, are motivated to ensure the quality of the University's activities, and have the knowledge, experience, and skills necessary to perform the duties of the Rector. The right to stand as a candidate for the position of the Rector may also be exercised by a person who is not employed at the University. It shall be deemed that a person is of impeccable repute if all criteria listed below are met:

10.1. the person has not violated academic ethics by their conduct and/or activities, or at least 10 years have elapsed since the detection of such violation;

10.2. the person has not been found guilty of commission of a grave crime in accordance with the procedure laid down by law, or 11 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence; has not been found guilty of commission of a serious crime, or 9 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence; has not been found guilty of commission of a less serious crime, or 5 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence; and has not been found guilty of commission of a minor crime, or 4 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence;

10.3. the person has not been found guilty of commission of misdemeanour in accordance with the procedure laid down by law, or 4 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence;

10.4. the person has not been released from criminal liability for the commission of a grave crime in accordance with the procedure laid down by law, or 5 years have elapsed since the date of the release from criminal liability, or has not been released from criminal liability for the commission of a serious criminal offence (except for release from criminal liability where the person or the offence has lost its dangerousness), or 4 years have elapsed since the date of the release from criminal liability, or **has not been released** from criminal liability for the commission of a less serious offence (except for release from criminal liability where the person or the offence has lost its dangerousness or the crime is of minor relevance), or 3 years have elapsed since the date of release from criminal liability, or the period of the release on bail has expired;

10.5. the person has not been dismissed from their job or position, or forfeited their right to engage in a particular activity for failure to comply with the legal requirement of good repute or breach of ethical standards of conduct, or at least 4 years have elapsed since the date of their dismissal from their job or position or forfeiture of their right to engage in a particular activity;

10.6. the person has not been dismissed or removed from their appointed or elected position for breach of oath or pledge, or for discredit to the name of the officer, or at least 4 years have elapsed since the date of their dismissal or removal;

10.7. the person is not and has not been a member of a legally prohibited organisation, or at least 4 years have elapsed since the end of their membership;

10.8. the person does not abuse alcohol, psychotropic substances, narcotic substances, or other psychoactive substances.

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11. A person cannot stand as a candidate for the position of the Rector in the following cases:

11.1. they are a member of the Council;

11.2. on the first day of the term of office of the Rector, they will have reached the statutory retirement age;

11.3. they are a member of the Central Electoral Commission of the University;

11.4. they have held the position of the Rector of Vilnius University for two consecutive terms of office prior to the election being held; this provision shall also apply in cases where a person has held the position of the Rector for less than a full term of office (either of the two terms), except for the cases of acting as the Rector *ad interim* in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Statute.

12. Every Applicant must submit to the Central Electoral Commission the following documents in Lithuanian or accompanied by translations into Lithuanian certified in accordance with the applicable legal acts:

12.1. an application to participate in an open competition using the form approved by the Council (Annex 2 to the Description);

12.2. 12.2. a questionnaire of the applicant completed in the form approved by the Council (Annex 3 to the Description);

12.3. 12.3. a declaration of good repute and a conflict of interest disclosure statement of an applicant completed in the form approved by the Council (Annex 4 to the Description);

12.4. a programme of the applicant's activities once elected to the position of the Rector (recommended scope: approximately 2,500 words);

12.5. a copy of the applicant's personal identification document;

12.6. a copy of the document attesting to the applicant's higher education degree;

12.7. a copy of the document attesting to the doctoral degree in science (arts) awarded to the applicant;

12.8. documents (copies thereof) attesting to the applicant's teaching and managerial experience;

12.9. a certificate of criminal record issued by the Information Technology and Communications Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania within six months prior to the date of submission of the application, or a relevant document issued by a foreign authority if the applicant is a foreign citizen;

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12.10. other documents as listed in the announcement of the Competition.

13. All the Application Documents must be sent by the Applicant by registered mail, by e-mail to crk@cr.vu.lt, by submission to a courier service provider, or presented by personal delivery to the Secretary of the Central Election Commission. When submitting the Application Documents, the documents referred to in Items 12(1–4) shall be signed by a conventional or qualified electronic signature, and the documents referred to in Items 12(5–8) shall be provided in copies. After the expiry of the term specified in the announcement, Application Documents of Applicants shall not be accepted.

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14. On the expiry of the deadline for the submission of the Application Documents of the Applicants specified in the announcement of the Competition, at a meeting of the Central Electoral Commission held not later than after four working days, the Central Electoral Commission shall examine the submitted Application Documents and determine whether all the Application Documents listed in Item 12 of the Description have been submitted, and whether all the Applicants meet the formal requirements set out in Items 10 and 11 of the Description (i.e. whether the person holds a doctoral degree in science (arts) or is a recognised artist, and whether they are not a person referred to in any of the Items 11(1–4) of the Description). Under a decision by the Central Electoral Commission, all the Applicants who meet these requirements and who have submitted all Application Documents shall be registered as Candidates for the position of the Rector. If the Central Electoral Commission has reasonable doubts regarding the veracity or clarity of the information provided by the Applicant, or if it observes that the documents submitted contain inaccurate information, the Central Electoral Commission may ask the Applicant to rectify the deficiencies within 3 working days of receipt of such request.

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15. The Central Electoral Commission shall submit the list of Candidates, together with copies of each Candidate's Application Documents, to the Chairperson of the Council and the Chairperson of the Senate no later than 7 working days after the deadline for the submission of the Application Documents specified in the announcement of the Competition, and shall publish the list of Candidates on the website of the University.

16. The Chairperson of the Senate shall, on receipt of the list of Candidates and the Application Documents, convene a meeting(s) of the Senate within a reasonably short period of time to consider the candidatures. The Senate, having examined the Candidates' Application Documents, shall draw conclusions on the Candidates' suitability (unsuitability) for the position of the Rector, in accordance with the requirements of Items 10 and 11 of the Description. Candidates shall be informed individually (by phone and/or e-mail) of the venue and time of the Senate meeting.

17. The Senate's conclusion on the suitability (unsuitability) of the Candidates for the position of the Rector shall be submitted to the Council no later than within 10 working days of the submission of the list of Candidates and of the Application Documents to the Chairperson of the Senate.

SECTION TWO PRESENTATIONS OF CANDIDATES TO THE COUNCIL AND UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY, AND ELECTION OF THE RECTOR AT THE COUNCIL MEETING

18. No later than within 10 working days after the submission to the Council of the Senate's conclusion on the suitability (unsuitability) of the Candidates for the position of the Rector, the Chairperson of the Council shall convene a meeting to evaluate the Senate's conclusions on the suitability of the Candidates for the position of the Rector. If the Council supports the negative conclusion of the Senate, the Central Electoral Commission shall be informed immediately and the Candidate shall be removed from the final list of Candidates. At the same Council meeting, the schedule of Council meetings dedicated to the presentations of the Candidates, as well as the Candidates' presentations to the University community and the Candidates' debates, shall be approved. It shall be drawn up in such a way that Candidates receive the notifications provided for in Item 19 of this Description no later than two weeks before the scheduled meetings, presentations, and debates. It shall also take into account the number of Candidates and the minimum time required for a detailed presentation of their programmes. The schedule shall be published immediately on the website of the University.

19. No later than the next working day after the Council meeting provided for in Item 18 of this Description, the Central Electoral Commission shall inform each Candidate individually (by phone and/or e-mail) of the decision taken by the Council and shall invite the Candidates on the final list of Candidates to attend the Council meetings dedicated to the presentations of the Candidates, as well as the Candidates' presentations to the University community and the Candidates' debates, informing them of the time and venue of each of these events.

20. An open meeting of the Council shall be convened for the presentations of candidates at the time and venue specified in the schedule provided for in Item 18 of this Description. The attendance of the Candidate at this Council meeting is compulsory. Upon arriving at the meeting, the Candidate must present their identification document (identity card, passport or driving licence). A candidate who does not attend a Council meeting shall be deemed to have withdrawn their candidature, irrespective of the reasons for such absence.

21. An open meeting of the Council dedicated for the presentations of the Candidates shall be conducted as follows:

21.1. At the beginning of the meeting, the Candidates shall be invited into the room where the Council is meeting and asked to present their identification documents, marking on the Candidates' registration sheet which Candidates have arrived at the meeting. The Chairperson of the meeting shall introduce the Candidates to the members of the Council and of the Central Electoral Commission attending the meeting and to the Secretary of the meeting, and shall briefly explain the proceedings of the meeting;

21.2. In the alphabetical order of their surname, each Candidate shall briefly introduce themselves and give a brief presentation of their programme of activities in the position of the Rector. The members of the Council shall pose questions to each Candidate in order to verify the Candidate's compliance with the requirements set out in Items 10 and 11 of the Description. The questions posed to all Candidates must be uniform in substance.

22. Following the Council meeting provided for in Item 20 of this Description, the Central Electoral Commission shall organise the presentations of the Candidates to the University community and the Candidates' debates, in accordance with the schedule provided for in Item 18 of this Description.

23. Following the Candidates' presentations to the University community and the Candidates' debates, a closed meeting of the Council shall be convened during which the members of the Council shall pose additional questions to the Candidates in order to assess the Candidate's professional experience and personal qualities and their ability to perform the duties of the Rector. For this meeting, the Candidates shall be called into the room one at a time in alphabetical order of their surnames. After the Candidate has responded to the questions from the members of the Council, they shall be requested to leave the meeting room, and another Candidate shall be invited to enter. Depending on the number of Candidates, this meeting may be held over multiple days.

24. After all the Candidates have been heard, but no earlier than the working day following the Council meeting provided for in Item 23 of the Description, a closed meeting of the Council shall be convened with the purpose of electing the Rector. The procedure for the meeting shall be as follows:

24.1. The members of the Council shall one by one enter a separate room in which the secrecy of the ballot is ensured, where they shall fill in the ballot paper, marking the Candidate of their choice, and, after leaving this room, under the supervision of the members of the Central Electoral Commission, they shall cast their ballot papers into the ballot box;

24.2. at the conclusion of the secret ballot, the Chairperson of the Central Electoral Commission shall open the ballot box, announce the total number of ballot papers found, specify how many were damaged, and count the votes received by each Candidate. The ballot papers shall be attached to the minutes of the Council meeting.

25. The Rector shall be deemed elected if at least 7 members of the Council vote in their favour. If the Rector is not elected in accordance with the procedure laid down in Item 24 of the Description, the Council shall decide to organise additional ballots and, if necessary, meetings of the Council to elect the Rector.

26. If the Rector is not elected within a reasonably short period of time, which shall not exceed 1 month from the date of the meeting of the Council provided for in Item 24 of this Description, the election shall be deemed to be invalid, and a new Competition shall be announced immediately.

CHAPTER III THE RECTOR'S INAUGURATION

27. Prior to assuming the office, the Rector-elect shall take a solemn Oath of Office, reciting it aloud and signing the document. The text of the Rector's Oath of Office and the ceremony of the Rector's inauguration shall be established by the Protocol of Academic Rituals of the University.

28. The Oath of Office shall be received by the Chairperson of the Senate. This provision concerning the Rector's inauguration shall also apply to a Rector elected for a second consecutive term of office.

29. Upon receiving the Oath of Office, the employment contract for the term of office of the Rector with the Rector-elect shall be signed by the Chairperson of the Council on behalf of the University.

30. If the Rector-elect declines to assume the office and/or does not sign the employment contract, or if the Rector-elect declines to recite or sign the Oath of Office or recites and signs the Oath of Office with reservations, the Rector-Elect shall not acquire the mandate of the Rector and the Council shall, not later than 1 month after the circumstances referred to in this Item have arisen, announce a new election to the position of the Rector via a open competition in accordance with the rules of the Description.

Annex 1 to the Description of the Procedure for the Election to the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University

(The Form of the Announcement of an Open International Competition for the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AN OPEN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION FOR THE POSITION OF THE RECTOR OF VILNIUS UNIVERSITY

The Council of Vilnius University (hereinafter the 'Council'), following the provisions of Article 44(3–5) of the Statute of Vilnius University, announces an international open competition (hereinafter the 'Competition') for the position of the Rector of Vilnius University (hereinafter the 'Rector') for a term of five years.

The status and mandate of the Rector, as well as the procedure for the election and termination of the Rector's term of office, are defined in Articles 42–44 of the Statute of Vilnius University.

The monthly official remuneration for the Rector shall be calculated by multiplying the average monthly remuneration received by the professors at Vilnius University (hereinafter the 'University') throughout the previous calendar year (including work at research, experimental development, and innovation development projects) by applying a coefficient of 3. In, the Rector's official remuneration is EUR At the time of the conclusion of the employment contract with the winner of the Competition, the remuneration shall be recalculated on the basis of (year) data. Following the established procedure, the official remuneration for the Rector shall be recalculated annually upon the approval by the Council of the Rector's submitted annual report on the activities of the University for the previous year. Throughout the term of office, the Rector shall not be awarded any wage supplements, allowances, or bonuses in addition to the official remuneration. During their term of office, the Rector must not engage in any other paid work. During their term of office, the Rector may teach at the University for a maximum of two academic hours per week, considered as remunerated under the Rector's employment contract.

The Competition is open to persons of impeccable repute with a doctoral degree in science (arts) and recognised artists of impeccable repute with teaching and managerial experience. The activities of a candidate for the position of the Rector must show that they are aware of the mission of the University, uphold the values of the University, are motivated to ensure the quality of the University's activities, and have the knowledge, experience, and skills necessary to perform the duties of the Rector. The right to stand as a candidate for the position of the Rector may also be exercised by a person who is not employed at the University at the time of application for candidature.

A person cannot stand as a candidate for the position of the Rector in the following cases:

1. they are a member of the Council of Vilnius University;

2. [On the first day of the term of office of the Rector], they will have reached the statutory retirement age;

3. they are a member of the Central Electoral Commission of the University;

4. They have held the position of the Rector of Vilnius University for two consecutive terms of office prior to the election being held; this provision shall also apply in cases where a person has held the position of the Rector for less than a full term of office (either of the two terms), except for the cases of acting as the Rector *ad interim* in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Statute;

Persons wishing to participate in the Competition must submit by

to the Central Electoral Commission the following documents in Lithuanian or accompanied by translations into Lithuanian certified in accordance with the applicable legal acts, either in person, by registered post, by e-mail at crk@cr.vu.lt, or by courier services:

1. an application to participate in the open competition for the position of the Rector of Vilnius University using the form approved by the Council – Annex 2 to the Description of the Procedure for the Election to the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University (hereinafter the 'Description');

2. a questionnaire of the applicant to be a candidate for the position of the Rector of Vilnius University completed in the form approved by the Council – Annex 3 to the Description;

3. a declaration of good repute and a conflict of interest disclosure statement of an applicant to be a candidate for the position of the Rector of Vilnius University completed in the form approved by the Council – Annex 4 to the Description;

4. a programme of the applicant's activities once elected to the position of the Rector (recommended scope: approximately 2,500 words);

5. a copy of the applicant's personal identification document;

6. a copy of the document attesting to the applicant's higher education degree;

7. a copy of the document attesting to the doctoral degree in science (arts) awarded to the applicant;

8. documents (copies thereof) attesting to the applicant's teaching and managerial experience.

9. a certificate of criminal record issued by the Information Technology and Communications Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania within six months prior to the date of submission of the application, or a relevant document issued by a foreign authority if the applicant is a foreign citizen.

Documents referred to in Items 1–4 shall be signed by a conventional or qualified electronic signature, and documents referred to in Items 5–8 shall be provided in copies.

Please be informed that the data controller, Vilnius University, Universiteto g. 3, Vilnius, will process the data submitted by the applicants for the purposes of organising and conducting the competition for the position of the Rector.

We hereby confirm that Vilnius University processes personal data in compliance with the requirements of the applicable European Union and Republic of Lithuania legal acts as well as with the legal acts of Vilnius University related to the processing of personal data. More information on the personal data processing policy is available on the website of Vilnius University: https://www.vu.lt/en/privacy-policy.

The schedule of the Council meetings dedicated for the presentations to the Council of the applicants registered as Candidates for the position of the Rector by the Central Electoral Commission of the University as well as the schedule of the Candidates' presentations to the University community and the Candidates' debates will be published no later than [*date*]. Candidates will be informed thereof individually.

For more information about the Competition, please contact the responsible employees by [*e-mail address, phone*]

[Other relevant information] Amendments to the Annex: by Resolution of the Council of Vilnius University No. TPN-15 of 11 September 2024.

Annex 2 to the Description of the Procedure for the Election to the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University

(The Form of Application to Participate in an Open Competition for the Election to the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University)

To to the Central Electoral Commission

APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN AN OPEN COMPETITION FOR THE ELECTION TO THE POSITION OF THE RECTOR OF VILNIUS UNIVERSITY

(date) Vilnius

I hereby request to participate in an open international competition for the election to the position of the Rector of Vilnius University, announced by the Council of Vilnius University on

(date of announcement)

ATTACHED:

1. A questionnaire of the applicant to be a candidate for the position of the Rector of Vilnius University.

2. A declaration of good repute and a conflict of interest disclosure statement of the applicant to be a candidate for the position of the Rector of Vilnius University.

3. A programme of the applicant's activities once elected to the position of the Rector.

4. A copy of the applicant's personal identification document.

5. A copy of the document attesting to the applicant's higher education degree.

6. A copy of the document attesting to the doctoral degree in science (arts) awarded to the applicant.

7. Documents (copies thereof) attesting to the applicant's teaching and managerial experience.

8. A certificate of criminal record issued by the Information Technology and Communications Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania, or a relevant document issued by a foreign authority.

9. (if applicable, specify other documents indicated in the announcement by the Council of Vilnius University of an open international competition for the election to the position of the Rector at Vilnius University).

(full name)

(signature)

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Annex 3 to the Description of the Procedure for the Election to the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University

(The Form of a Questionnaire of the Applicant to be a Candidate for the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University)

QUESTIONNAIRE OF THE APPLICANT TO BE A CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF THE RECTOR OF VILNIUS UNIVERSITY

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1. Full name	
2. Date of birth	
3. Place of residence	
4. Phone:	
5. E-mail:	

6. Education

Education	Name of the educational institution	Specialisation	Year of graduation

7. Obtained pedagogical title, scientific degree	
8. Obtained teaching experience	
9. Obtained managerial experience	
10. Which languages do you speak?	
11. Main workplace, position	
12. Other workplaces (<i>if any</i>)	
13. Social activities	

I am aware that the information provided under Items 1 and 6–13 of this questionnaire will be made publicly available.

(Date)

(full name, signature)

Annex 4 to the Description of the Procedure for the Election to the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University

(The Form of Declaration of Good Repute and a Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement of the Applicant to be a Candidate for the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University)

DECLARATION OF GOOD REPUTE AND A CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENT OF THE APPLICANT TO BE A CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF THE RECTOR OF VILNIUS UNIVERSITY

I, _____, seeking to become a candidate (full name)

for the position of the Rector of Vilnius University, hereby confirm that I meet the requirements applicable to candidates for the position of Rector as set forth by the Republic of Lithuania Law on Higher Education and Research, the Statute of Vilnius University, and the Description of the Procedure for the Election to the Position of the Rector of Vilnius University.

I hereby confirm that:

- I have not violated academic ethics by my conduct and/or activities, or at least 10 years have elapsed since the detection of such violation;

- I have not been found guilty of commission of a grave crime in accordance with the procedure laid down by law, or 11 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence; I have not been found guilty of commission of a serious crime, or 9 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence; I have not been found guilty of commission of a less serious crime, or 5 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence; I have not been found guilty of commission of a less serious crime, or 5 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence; I have not been found guilty of commission of a minor crime, or 4 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence;

- I have not been found guilty of commission of misdemeanour in accordance with the procedure laid down by law, or 4 years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence;

- I have not been released from criminal liability for the commission of a grave crime in accordance with the procedure laid down by law, or 5 years have elapsed since the date of the release from criminal liability, and I have not been released from criminal liability for the commission of a serious criminal offence (except for release from criminal liability where the person or the offence has lost its dangerousness), or 4 years have elapsed since the date of the release from criminal liability, and I have not been released from criminal liability for the commission of a less serious offence (except for release from criminal liability for the commission of a less serious offence (except for release from criminal liability for the commission of a less serious offence (except for release from criminal liability where the person or the offence has lost its dangerousness or the crime is of minor relevance), or 3 years have elapsed since the date of release from criminal liability, or the period of the release on bail has expired;

- I have not been dismissed from my job or position, or forfeited my right to engage in a particular activity for failure to comply with the legal requirement of good repute or breach of ethical standards of conduct, or at least 4 years have elapsed since the date of my dismissal from my job, position or forfeiture of my right to engage in a particular activity;

- I have not been dismissed or removed from my appointed or elected position for breach of oath or pledge, or for discredit to the name of the officer, or at least 4 years have elapsed since the date of my dismissal or removal;

- I am not and have not been a member of a legally prohibited organisation, or at least 4 years have elapsed since the end of my membership;

- I do not abuse alcohol, psychotropic substances, narcotic substances, or other psychoactive substances.

I hereby confirm that there is no conflict of interest between me and Vilnius University, i.e. there are no reasons concerning my family, my political or civic affiliation, my economic interests, or my interests common with Vilnius University that would jeopardise my ability to perform my duties as the Rector of Vilnius University in an impartial and objective manner.

I hereby also confirm that I have filed a declaration of private interests in accordance with the Republic of Lithuania Law on the Adjustment of Public and Private Interests.

I hereby confirm that if, during the election to the position of the Rector of Vilnius University and, if elected, during my term of office as the Rector of Vilnius University I find that such conflict of interest exists, arises or becomes apparent, I will immediately report on it to the Central Electoral Commission of Vilnius University or to the Council of Vilnius University (in case the conflict of interest arises or becomes apparent during the term of office), and if the fact of conflict of interest is confirmed, I will resign from the position of the Rector of Vilnius University.

Seeking to become a candidate for the position of the Rector of Vilnius University, I hereby also confirm that the list bellow entails all my relations with legal persons (membership, position or other involvement in the activities of a legal person)* during the 5 years preceding the submission of this declaration:

Legal person	Position	Nature of activity

* Relations with legal persons shall be understood as described in the Republic of Lithuania Law on the Adjustment of Public and Private Interests in the Civil Service and the Rules for Completion, Revision, Supplementation and Submission of the Declarations of Private Interests, approved by Decision of the Chief Official Ethics Commission No. KS-176 of 30 December 2020.

I am aware that the information provided in this declaration will be made publicly available.

(date)

(full name, signature)

Amendments to the Annex: by Resolution of the Council of Vilnius University No. TPN-15 of 11 September 2024.