

Acting Chairman conflict of interest statement

Dr David Sibbald was appointed interim chairman of the Stratified Medicine Scotland Innovation Centre (SMS-IC) in November 2015 following the departure of the previous chairman and pending appointment of a new chairman following the appropriate selection process. His appointment was approved by all of the Core Partners of SMS-IC.

Dr Sibbald remains Executive Chairman of Aridhia Informatics Limited, a healthcare informatics company which he founded and which is a Core Partner in and supplier of services to SMS-IC.

Dr Sibbald and SMS-IC are committed to managing all real, potential or apparent conflicts of interest with integrity, impartiality, honesty and openness.

While Dr Sibbald's role at SMS-IC benefits in many ways from his role at Aridhia, appropriate policies and procedures are in place to manage potential conflicts.

In particular, the Consortium Agreement in respect of Stratified Medicine Scotland Innovation Centre among the Core Partners of SMS-IC dated 19, 20, 23 and 24 December 2013 makes certain provision (in clauses 4.18 and 4.19) for instances in which an Executive Board Member is subject to a Conflict (as that term is defined in the Consortium Agreement). In fulfilment of the requirements of the Consortium Agreement, the Executive Board of SMS-IC has established a process for declaring, recording and managing Conflicts generally, and has agreed certain specific additional measures with respect to Dr Sibbald's appointment as interim SMS-IC Chair.

Measures in place include:

- Where Dr Sibbald has a Conflict or a potential Conflict, that Conflict or potential Conflict must be declared prior to the commencement of the relevant meeting of the Executive Board and will be recorded in the Register of Interests maintained by the Executive Board. It is recognised that Dr Sibbald will have a Conflict with respect to discussions and meetings concerning any contracts, proposed contracts or proposed contract variations between SMS-IC and Aridhia.
- Where a Conflict exists, Dr Sibbald shall not vote on any such matter or seek to influence the votes of others on any such matter (and, if required, the procedure for resolving deadlocked decisions of the Executive Board set out in clause 4.19 of the Consortium Agreement will be followed). The remaining members of the Executive Board shall unanimously determine whether or not it would be appropriate for Dr Sibbald to leave the room for the duration of any discussions concerning topics in which he has a Conflict.
- Dr Sibbald will not seek to influence any member or official of SMS-IC in relation to selection of Aridhia to provide any specific services to SMS-IC or to influence the terms on which provision of any such services by Aridhia may be accepted by SMS-IC.
- All negotiations concerning the possible provision of goods or services by Aridhia to SMS-IC or by SMS-IC to Aridhia will be conducted for SMS-IC by its CEO and Dr Sibbald will not seek to influence the CEO in such matters.

- Dr Sibbald will assist SMS-IC to ensure that any tender process conducted by or on behalf of SMS-IC will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the University of Glasgow's procurement policies and in the interests of SMS-IC only.
- Minutes of meetings of the Executive Board will clearly record any potential Conflicts and the action taken.