

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SPACE SAFETY

IAASS Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct

Every member shall at all times so order his conduct as to uphold the dignity and reputation of the Association, and act with fairness and integrity towards all persons with whom his work is connected and towards other members.

- 1. A member shall at all times take care to ensure that his work and the products of his work constitute no avoidable danger of death or injury.
- 2. A member shall take all reasonable steps to maintain and develop his professional competence by attention to new developments in space safety science and engineering and shall encourage persons working under his supervision to do so.
- 3. A member shall not undertake responsibility as a safety scientist or engineer, which he does not believe himself competent to discharge.
- 4. A member shall accept personal responsibility for all work done by him or under his supervision or direction, and shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that persons working under his authority are competent to carry out the tasks assigned to them and that they accept personal responsibility for work done under the authority delegated to them.
- 5. A member whose professional advice is not accepted shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the person overruling or neglecting his advice is aware of any danger, which the member believes may result from such over-ruling or neglect.
- 6. A member shall not make any public statement in his capacity as a safety scientist or engineer without ensuring that his qualification to make such a statement and any association he may have with any party which may benefit from the statement, are made known to the person or persons to whom it is directed.
- 7. A member shall not recklessly or maliciously damage or attempt to damage whether directly or indirectly the professional reputation, prospects or business of another. A member shall never publicly criticize other members (individual or corporate) or take any initiative that can somehow tarnish their public image.
- 8. A member shall not in self-laudatory language or in any manner derogatory to the professional dignity, advertise or write articles for publication, nor shall be authorize any such advertisement or article to be written or published by any other person.
- 9. A member shall not use his access to personal data of other members for purposes different from professional networking. In particular he will not use such access to recruit personnel, for direct offering of professional services, or for direct selling and advertising products of any kind.
- 10. Membership in IAASS may at times place individuals in situations where their statements or actions could be interpreted as carrying the "weight" of the Association. An IAASS member will exercise care to not misrepresent IAASS, or positions and policies of IAASS.
- 11. IAASS is an international association devoted to the values of equality, tolerance and respect for others. Discriminatory attitude between members on the basis of race, sex, religion, age, disability, nationality, or other such factors is an explicit violation of IAASS policy.

By applying to become a member of IAASS an explicit commitment is made to observe this *Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct*. Violation of this code is inconsistent with membership in the IAASS.