

Global Certification Services LLC IMPARTIALITY STATEMENT

GCS LLC understands the importance of impartiality in carrying out its management system certification

activities manages conflict of interest and ensures the objectivity of its management system certification

activities. GCS LLC has identified the following prohibitive, restrictive measures to ensure the impartiality:-

- GCS LLC doesn't not certify another certification body for its management system certification activities
- GCS LLC and any part of GCS LLC doesn't not offer or provide management system consultancy
- ❖ GCS LLC and any part of GCS LLC doesn't not offer or provide internal audits to its certified clients
- ❖ GCS LLC doesn't certify a management system on which a client has received internal audits, where the relationship between the organization and GCS LLC poses an unacceptable threat to the impartiality of the GCS LLC at least within gap of two years.
- GCS LLC doesn't outsource audits to a management system consultancy organization, as this poses an unacceptable threat to the impartiality. This does not apply to individuals contracted as auditors
- GCS LLC 'activities are not marketed or offered as linked with the activities of an organization that provides management system consultancy.
- GCS LLC takes action to correct inappropriate claims by any consultancy organization stating or implying that certification would be simpler, easier, faster or less expensive if GCS LLC is used
- GCS LLC also doesn't state or imply that certification would be simpler, easier, faster or less expensive if a specified consultancy organization is used
- GCS LLC does not use personnel to take part in an audit or other certification activities if they have been involved in management system consultancy towards the client in question within two years
- GCS LLC takes action to respond to any threats to its impartiality arising from the actions of other persons, bodies or organizations that come to GCS LLC notice. The actions may include putting the information on GCS LLC website, warning such persons, bodies or organizations involved, informing accreditation body, initiating legal actions etc.
- GCS LLC personnel, either internal or external, or committees, who could influence the certification activities, act impartially and don't allow commercial, financial or other pressures to compromise impartiality. GCS LLC has signed an agreement with each personnel to this effect. GCS LLC collect client feedback regularly to monitor the conduct of GCS LLC personnel.
- GCS LLC requires each personnel, internal and external, to reveal any situation known to them that may present them or GCS LLC with a conflict of interests as per agreement
- GCS LLC will not certify the organizations of GCS LLC personnel, either internal or external, or committees which are wholly owned.
- ❖ GCS LLC will not certify the subsidiaries of GCS LLC which are wholly owned