

## EPPA's ETHICAL CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE

**EPPA** is a consultancy devoted to the European integration and cooperation in the interests of its citizens and enterprises.

It focuses on the 'quadruple helix', the interactions between governments, business, science and society. It seeks to build alignment of views and interests between all parties through dialogues and multi-dimensional perspectives. Complex issues do not have simple solutions, all aspects need to be taken into account. EPPA partners and staff seek to contribute to this overall objective in different ways.

Partners evaluate together clients and projects on their acceptability within this context. They share a keen sense of corporate responsibility, essential for their license to do business.

In line with its search for alignment and evidence, EPPA engages with variety of think tanks, scientific organisations and academic institutions. It provides the secretariat of the independent tripartite High Level Groups for Policy Innovation, launched at the initiative of the Council Presidency in 2011.

EPPA partners and staff will therefore in all circumstances and with all officials be fully transparent about the interests which they represent and the objectives which they seek to achieve and always seek to develop fair compromises between the European public interest and private interests.

EPPA, its partners and staff support democratic and civic rights in the EU and high social and environmental standards in EU policies. They seek to combine these rights and standards with policy that increases competitiveness and sustainability simultaneously.

EPPA, its partners and staff will not work for companies which violate the Human Rights Principles for Companies of Amnesty International, social rights (Standards set by the International Labour Office), or which are involved in corrupt practices.

EPPA, its partners and staff will not work for governments which systematically undermine human and democratic rights or with high levels of corruption (based on Transparency International reports).

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