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- **Tender notice: Procurement of administrative service for MFA related to commissioned studies for development 4/26/2018**

Question:

If a university unit would serve as the administrator of this service, do you see any conflict of interest or other problems in the cases when the researchers from this same university that administers the selection process, would participate in performing the commissioned studies?

If the participation of the researchers from the service provider university would be prohibited, it would most probably limit the possibilities of any university unit (including XXXX) to participate in this invitation to tender.

Answer:

If university is selected as a provider of administrative service for MFA related commissioned studies, it needs to follow the laws related to procurement. Considering that the selection of the performer of the commissioned study is finally decided by the MFA, it is possible for the researchers from the same university to be a performer of the commissioned study. However, the persons functioning as the providers of the administrative service and the persons authorizing their work are themselves disqualified.

If the provider of the administrative service proposes experts from the same university, the provider of administrative service needs to sign a statement of no conflict of interest.