



## Conflict of Interest Declaration

Conflict of interest refers to situations in which personal interest (which may include financial interests) may compromise or have the potential to compromise professional judgement and integrity and in doing so the best interests of the department.

Declaring any conflicts of interest (actual potential or perceived) will disclose the issue and allow the most appropriate mitigating actions to be put in place to manage any potential for conflict. Individuals in breach of the conflict of interest rules may in certain circumstances be subject to disciplinary action.

**Project Title:** [Panel of Technical Experts](#)

**Date Completed:** 17 07 2023

*Please read the guidance notes before completing*

I have nothing to declare with respect to any current or potential interest or conflict in relation to this research (or any potential providers who may be subcontracted to deliver this work, their advisers or other related parties) as listed in Annex 1. By conflict of interest, I mean, anything which could be reasonably perceived to affect the impartiality of this research, or to indicate a professional or personal interest in the outcomes from this research.

Signed .....

Name .....

Position .....

**OR**

I wish to declare the following with respect to personal or professional interests related to relevant organisations:

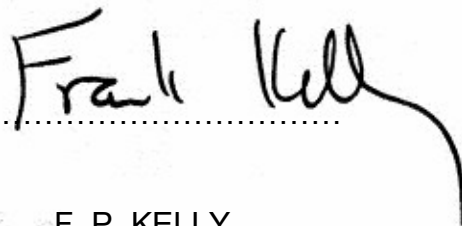
- Smith Institute ( <https://www.smithinst.co.uk/> )
- X

Where a potential conflict of interest has been declared for an individual or organisation within a consortia, please clearly outline the role which this individual or



organisation will play in the proposed project and how any conflict of interest has or will be mitigated.

- I am Chair of the Scientific Board of the Smith Institute ( <https://www.smithinst.co.uk/the-scientific-board/> ). The Smith Institute has projects with National Grid. I am not directly involved in these projects.
- X

Signed .....  .....

Name ..... F. P. KELLY.....

Position ..... Emeritus Professor, University of Cambridge;  
Member of the Panel of Technical Experts .....

### Annex 1: Panel of Technical Experts

The Panel of Technical Experts (PTE) is an independent advisory group who are appointed by government to advise on technical aspects of Electricity Market Reform. The role of the panel is a technical function and not a forum for policy commentary or for advising the government on its objectives for the capacity market or wider policy issues. They have a particular focus on providing scrutiny of the analysis in National Grid’s annual Electricity Capacity Report (ECR), which provides a recommendation on the target capacity for capacity market auctions. A report with their findings is published annually following the publication of the ECR and the Secretary of State’s decision on the target capacity.

### Annex 2: Guidance Notes

You must declare to the Department, any personal or business interest which may, or may be perceived (by a reasonable member of the public) to influence your judgement in performing your functions and obligations as a participant in the Panel of Technical Experts. These interests include any external sources of remuneration, any direct and indirect pecuniary interests with a link to DESNZ or other Government departments, non-financial interests that could be perceived to influence your judgement, and any such interests of related parties. In order to avoid any suggestion of impartiality, you should refuse personal gifts or hospitality offered in connection with your role as a member of the panel, or that might concern DESNZ.



A party is “related to you” if he or she is for example (but without limitation) your spouse/partner, close family member (e.g. siblings or your children) or living at the same household as yourself or close family members.

**It is your responsibility to ensure that your entry in the Panel of Technical Experts Conflicts of Interests Register is accurate and up-to-date.** You should keep the DESNZ point of contact advised of any new personal or business interests as they arise. You will be requested to provide any updates as and when they arise.

Please input any interests that can influence your judgement in carrying out your role in the Panel of Technical Experts. These may include (but are not restricted to):

- A close working, governance, or commercial involvement with the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero or National Grid Electricity System Operator outside of my role as a panel member in Annex 1
- Personal interests - where my role as a panel member has relevant close or personal relationships which could influence their objectivity
- Financial interests - where my role as a panel member stands to gain financially from the work I am undertaking or I can use my status to deliberately prevent someone else from gaining financially.
- Any other conflict of interest that could reasonably be perceived to affect the impartiality of my role in the Panel of Technical Experts, or could indicate any professional or personal interests related to my role in the Panel of Technical Experts.

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When in doubt, declare!