# **European Lighting Expert - Code of conduct**



## § 1 Area of application

This code of conduct must be adhered to in full by the registered European Lighting Expert (ELE).

#### § 2 Professional conduct

Professional conduct of an ELE registered person means that the person undertakes his profession conscientiously and with due care as a proper adviser, consultant, planner, manufacturer/installer or operator of lighting installations and carries out his work according to the generally accepted engineering rules.

#### § 3 Professional misconduct

Any activities or behaviour towards clients or other persons that may have a negative impact on the reputation of persons registered as ELE or may otherwise impair mutual interest is considered to be professional misconduct.

#### § 4 Professional conduct in business

A person registered as ELE is considered to act professionally in an impeccable manner, if this person:

- Only makes correct and not misleading statements regarding his own ability to perform and
- 2. Only presents himself as ELE, if all requirements for the ELE registration have been fully completed (incl. the update of the registration) and
- 3. Observes all rules and regulations particularly regarding the protection of employees, electrical engineering, illuminating engineering as well as the generally accepted rules of technology in full and
- Does not unduly disadvantage the client and does not pass on the business risk unilaterally towards the client and
- Prepares reports or expertises as authorised expert in all conscience, impartially and according to the generally accepted rules of technology
- Does not enter into any price-fixing with other bidders and
- Does not submit any quotations aimed at misleading the client with regard to the ratio between price an service provided and
- 8. Adheres to laws governing the avoidance of wage dumping and social dumping as well as regulations with regards to collective bargaining agreements and labour laws
- Prepares only complete, free of defects tender documents, which do not lead to disadvantages or liabilities for the client or for the sub contractors
  and
- 10. Does not perform services below net costs (manufacturing costs) of the contractor while knowingly disregarding the principles of economic and responsible business management or without objectively justifiable reasons.

#### § 5 Confidentiality

The person registered as ELE is bound to confidentiality regarding all facts that become known during the course of his work. The ELE must also commit any persons in his employ to secrecy. The obligation to confidentiality does not apply towards civil courts of law or administrative authorities.

# § 6 Continuing education

The person registered as ELE is committed to maintain his expert knowledge and specific know-how and to focus his professional education accordingly.

### § 7 Legal validity

The German version alone shall be legally binding.