Guidelines for Departments on the Appointment Procedure for Academic Positions at AAU, the Faculty of Engineering and Science and the Faculty of Medicine

Composition of assessment committees:

**Professor (MSO, clinical professor):**
An internal chairperson
Two external assessors. Every effort must be made that one of the two external assessors comes from a non-Danish educational institution abroad.
The assessors must be professor level.

*Assessment committees are approved by the Academic Council.*

**Associate professor (clinical associate professor):**
An internal chairperson
Two external assessors.
The assessors must be at least associate professor level.

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**Assistant professor**
An internal chairperson
An external assessor
The assessors must be at least associate professor level.

*Assessment committees are approved by the Academic Council.*

**Postdoc:**
An internal chairperson
An internal assessor

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Other positions:

**Research assistant (clinical assistant):**
An expert handles the assessment.
The expert must be at least associate professor level.

*The expert is approved by the Dean.*

**Teaching assistant professor, teaching associate professor (clinical instructor):**
Two experts handle the assessment.
The experts must be at least associate professor level.

*The experts are approved by the Dean.*

**Part-time academic staff: Part-time lecturer, teaching assistants:**
An expert handles the assessment.
The expert must be at least associate professor level.

*The expert is approved by the Head of Department.*

**PhD**
Two experts handle the assessment.
The assessors must be at least associate professor level.

*The experts are approved by the Head of Department.*

**General rules for committee composition:**

- Gender balance – an assessment committee must include at least one female assessor, unless an exemption can be granted upon evaluation of the justification for this.
- The two external assessors must not come from the same institution.
- One adjunct professor/associate professor may be included as an external member.
- An assessment committee may not include professors/associate professors emeriti and part-time lecturers unless exceptional circumstances exist.
- Assessors must be knowledgeable in the position’s subject area.

Ineligibility/conflicts of interest are checked after the application deadline. In particular, joint publications and possible PhD supervisor relations to applicants are checked. Members of the assessment committee are obligated to respond to any issues which might result in their ineligibility or that of another member. Please refer to the “Rules for academic assessment of candidates for academic positions at Aalborg University.”

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