



О P I N I O N

by **Corr. Member Lyubka Atanasova Doukovska, DSc**
from Trakia University – Stara Zagora,
on the Competition for the academic position “**Associate Professor**”,
under the Scientific Field: **4. Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Informatics**,
the Professional Area: **4.6. Informatics and Computer Sciences**,
the Scientific Specialty: **01.01.12. Informatics**,
for the needs of Informatics and Mathematics Department
at the Trakia University – Stara Zagora,
announced in Darjaven Vestnik No. 24 of 25.03.2022,
with a participant - **Emil Georgiev Delinov, PhD**

In accordance with Order No. 1361/12.05.2022 of the Rector of the Trakia University – Stara Zagora, I was included in the Scientific Jury of the competition for occupation of the academic position “Associate Professor” in the Scientific Field 4. Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Informatics, the Professional Area 4.6 Informatics and Computer Science, the Scientific Specialty 01.01.12. “Informatics”, announced in the Darjaven Vestnik, Issue 24 of 25.03.2022, for the needs of Informatics and Mathematics Department at the Trakia University – Stara Zagora, with the sole participant in the competition - **Emil Georgiev Delinov, PhD**.

As a member of the Scientific Jury I have received all the necessary documents.

Emil Georgiev Delinov was born on July 20, 1960 in Haskovo. He completed his higher education at the Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics of the Plovdiv University “Paisii Hilendarski”.

In accordance with the requirements of the *Development of Academic Staff Act in the Republic of Bulgaria* and the specific requirements in the Act’s Institutional Regulation, the candidates for occupying the academic position of “Associate Professor” must meet the following conditions, regulated in Art. 24. (1):

1. Have acquired an educational and scientific PhD degree;
2. Have held for at least two years the academic position of Assistant Professor;
3. Have submitted published monographs or equivalent publications in specialized scientific publications that do not repeat the ones submitted for the PhD degree;
4. To comply with the minimum national requirements under Art. 2b, # 2 and # 3, respectively, of the requirements of art. 2b, # 5;
5. Not to have plagiarism in the scientific publications proven by the legislation order.

According to the submitted materials for the competition, **Emil Georgiev Delinov** has acquired the educational and scientific PhD degree, as evidenced by the diploma No. 000775 of 06.10.2016, awarded to him by the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences in the Scientific Specialty 01.01.12. Informatics.

The presented certificates of work experience in the specialty show that **Emil Georgiev Delinov** has a teaching work experience as an assistant, which satisfies the requirements of the Law for the *Development of Academic Staff Act in the Republic of Bulgaria*.

According to the annotations of the scientific publications for participation in the competition, **Emil Georgiev Delinov** has presented a monograph, two book chapters, two publications in specialized journals, three publications in proceedings of international conferences and one publication in the proceedings of a national conference.

I accept the contributions formulated in the report on the results of the candidate's research activities in the works with which **Emil Georgiev Delinov** participates in the competition and those results are scientifically applied and can be defined to be enriching the existing scientific field with new knowledge.

Present is a list of 12 citations of the **Emil Georgiev Delinov** publications. I take that those citations are at the moment of submission of documents and no new ones are included.

According to the information presented by **Emil Georgiev Delinov**, for meeting the additional requirements of Informatics and Mathematics Department at the Trakia University – Stara Zagora, he fulfills the requirements for indicators A, B, C, and D for the Professional Area 4.6. Informatics and Computer Science, the Scientific Specialty 01.01.12. “Informatics”.

I accept that there is no legally proven plagiarism in the scientific papers presented for this competition.

I would like to recommend the candidate to focus his efforts on increasing his publication activity in reputable international journals.

In conclusion, I agree that the requirements of the Law for the *Development of Academic Staff Act in the Republic of Bulgaria* and the specific requirements in the Act’s Institutional Regulations for its implementation, the Rules for the conditions and the order for acquiring academic degrees and the Rules for the specific conditions for acquisition of academic degrees and occupation of academic positions at the Trakia University – Stara Zagora are accomplished. After getting acquainted with the materials submitted by the applicant for the competition, I give my positive estimation about the choice of **Emil Georgiev Delinov** in the competition for the academic position of “**Associate Professor**” for the needs of Informatics and Mathematics Department at the Trakia University – Stara Zagora, in the Scientific Field 4. Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Informatics, the Professional Area 4.6. Informatics and Computer Sciences, the Scientific Specialty 01.01.12. Informatics.

I propose that the Scientific Jury unanimously vote for a proposal to the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Economics at the Trakia University – Stara Zagora, to elect **Emil Georgiev Delinov** for the academic position of “**Associate Professor**” in the Scientific Field 4. Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Informatics, the Professional Area 4.6. Informatics and Computer Sciences, the Scientific Specialty 01.01.12. Informatics.

01.08.2022

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