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**The chairman of the scientific jury,  
determined by Order No. R-109-154/ 23.02.2023.  
of the Rector of the Medical University - Varna  
55 Marin Drinov St 9002 Varna**

On your Protocol No. 1/ dated 06.03.2023

*Attached I present:* **OPINION**

by competition for an academic position: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR by professional direction 7.1 Medicine, :7. Department of Higher Education Health and Sports in scientific specialty: "Forensic Medicine" Announced by MU "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov"-Varna, Department of "General and Clinical Pathology and Forensic Medicine and Deontology", Faculty of Medicine 0.5 full-time position for the needs of the Department of General and Clinical Pathology and Forensic Medicine and Deontology of the University of Varna - and 0.5 full-time position for the Forensic Medicine Clinic at UMBAL St. Marina" EAD-Varna, announced in SG No. 102 of 23.12.2022 in accordance with the report with entry No. 102-344/30.01.2023. by Prof. Dr. Maria Tsaneva, MD - Head of the Department of "General and Clinical Pathology and Clinical Medicine and Deontology" and decision according to protocol No. 81/06.02.2023 of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Varna .

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**Candidates: Ch. assistant Dr. Emilia Mihailova Kaisheva, MD, PhD**

**I. Submitted materials in connection with the competition:**

*A. Administrative documents*

1. Application for competition for JSC Docent.
2. Diploma of Master of Medicine.
3. Certificate of acquired medical specialty
4. Diploma ONS Doctor.
5. Criminal record certificate.
6. Medical certificate of health status.
7. Creative resume.
8. Certificate of teaching experience
9. Certificate of work experience in the specialty.

*B. Coursework documents.*

1. Certificate of teaching experience.
2. Reference study load.

*C. Documents related to the candidate's scientific activity.*

1. Summary monograph.
2. Dissertation work.
3. List of scientific works.
4. List of other publications.
5. List of participations.
6. Reference publications.
7. Reference scientific contributions.
8. Reference citations.
9. Reference minimum scientometric requirements.

**D. Declaration of authenticity of the presented documents.**

All the necessary documents provided for in the procedure for the selection of JSC "Docent" of Medical University-Varna have been submitted.

**II. Professional route of the candidate**

Candidate Dr. Emilia Mihailova Kaisheva, MD, PhD was born on 31.10.1975 in the city of Varna. In 2000, he graduated from the University of Varna - Master of Medicine and until 2003 he worked as a resident in the internal department in the city of Silistra. From 2002 to 2006, he was a specialist in forensic medicine, and from 2007 until now he was an assistant at the Department of "General and Clinical Pathology, Forensic Medicine and Deontology" at the University of Varna. In 2006, she defended the specialty "Forensic Medicine". From 2007 to 2011, he worked as a forensic doctor in the St. Marina" city of Varna. From 2011-2019, he was a physician assistant at the Clinic of Forensic Medicine of University Hospital "St. Marina" JSC, Varna. From 2019 to 2021 - ch. assistant" specialty "Forensic Medicine and Deontology", Department of "General and Clinical Pathology and Forensic Medicine and Deontology", Faculty of Medicine of the University of Varna.

**III. Assessment of administrative indicators**

*III.1. Educational activity:* Beginning of the educational activity - 22.05.2007. Research and teaching experience - 15 years, 8 months, 15 days (as of 07.02.23).

*III.2 Study load:*

Standard for study load according to the decision of the AC of MU-Varna, reflected in protocol No. 30/11.04.2011. in hours: 220 hours.

During the academic year 2017/2018 Dr. Kaisheva led 332 hours of training exercises in the Bulgarian language and 150.9% employment.

In the academic year 2018/19 – 356 hours of exercises in the Bulgarian language or 162%.

In the academic year 2019/20 – 279 hours of BEO exercises or 126.3%.

During the 2020/21 academic year – 314 hours of BEO exercises or 143% classroom occupancy.

In the academic year 2021/22 – 56 hours of AEO lectures and 332 hours of BEO exercises or a total of 176% pure classroom occupancy.

The standard for academic workload for MU-Varna has been met, with pure classroom occupancy significantly exceeding the standard with a tendency to increase.

### **III.3 Evaluation of the expert activity of Dr. Emilia Kaisheva, d.m.**

As of 07.02.2023 Dr. Emilia Kaisheva, MD, PhD has experience as a doctor for 15 years, 08 months and 15 days. During this period, Dr. Kaisheva prepared numerous forensic medical examinations - independent, commission and complex in criminal and civil cases. For this term, Dr. Kaisheva, d.m. has established herself as a well-known forensic expert in the region and the country.

### **IV. Evaluation of the candidate's scientific works and overall academic development.**

For the current competition Dr. Emilia Mihailova Kaisheva, MD, PhD. is presented with the following scientific claims:

1. Dissertation on the topic "Criteria for determining thermal trauma as bodily injury";
2. Monograph "Forensic significance of human hair", 2023. in PDF format - ISBN 978-619-221-425-8, published in 2023
3. A total of 16 full-text publications, arranged as follows:
  - 3.1 – 5/ five/ publications in refereed and indexed journals, included in the required by law and PRASRB databases – in this case Web of Science.
  - 3.2 – 10/ ten/ full-text articles in non-refereed peer-reviewed journals.
  4. 1 /one/ article presented, which is not included in the reference to cover the min. scientometric requirements for the candidate.
  - 3.3 1/one/ article, presented in a separate list of publications in scientific journals and collections, which are not included in the reference to cover min. scientometric requirements for the candidate.

### **IV. General characteristics of the scientific production/ according to the author's reference/:**

The scientific developments of Dr. Emilia Mihailova Kaisheva, MD, PhD. can be grouped into the following areas:

1. Forensic identification of the person
  - 1.1. Monograph;
  - 1.2. Publications G. 7.3; G. 7.4; G. 7.5; G.8.8.)
2. Objectification of forensic medical expertise
3. Traumatism
4. Pathology
  1. Forensic identification of the person

## V. Scientific indicators

As we reflected in item IV of this review, the number of publications submitted for the competition is as follows:

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3. A total of 16 full-text publications, arranged as follows:
  - 3.1 – 5/ five/ publications in refereed and indexed journals, included in the required by law and PRASRB databases – in this case Web of Science. All three articles are in groups of 3 to 20 authors.
  - 3.2 – 10/ ten/ full-text articles in non-refereed journals with scientific review.
  - 3.3 1/one/ article, presented in a separate list of publications in scientific journals and collections, which are not included in the reference to cover min. scientometric requirements for the candidate.

**Positive citations (according to an academic reference from the MU-Varna library dated 20.02.2020).: structured as follows:**

*Total:* 9 In monographs and collective volumes with scientific review - 1 item. In non-refereed journals with scientific review - 8 citations

**VIII. General assessment of the applicant's compliance with the mandatory conditions and the mandatory quantitative criteria and scientometric indicators** District 7. Health care and sports; Professional direction 7.1. Medicine,

**Table 1. Minimum required points by groups of indicators for the academic positions "Associate Professor" and actual indicators of Dr. Emilia Mihailova Kaisheva**

Group indicator	Indicator	Associate Professor	Dr. Emilia Mihailova Kaisheva
A	Indicator A1	50	50
B	Indicator B3	100	100
Г	Indicators Г7 + Г8	200 (160 за ПП 7.6)	228
Д	Indicators Д11+Д12	50	50

The presented scientific and journalistic activity covers the minimum scientometric requirements for the candidate for the academic position "Assistant Professor", District 7. Health and Sports, Professional Area 7.1. Medicine, and in group indicator "D" it even exceeds them.

### **Conclusion**

The candidate Dr. Emilia Mihailova Kaisheva, MD, PhD. MEETS the requirements for holding the position of "Associate Professor", according to the requirements laid down in the ZRASRB and the regulations for its application, as well as the PUD of the MU - Varna. Based on the overall assessment of the candidate's personality and work – career development, publication activity and scientometric evidence, teaching employment and professional experience, **I suggest the members of the esteemed jury to vote positively** for the candidate Dr. Emilia Mihailova Kaisheva, MD, PhD. for filling the academic position 0.5% "Associate Professor" in the scientific specialty "Forensic Medicine", 0.5 full-time position for the needs of the Department of General and Clinical Pathology and Forensic Medicine and Deontology of the Medical University of Varna - and 0.5 full-time position for the "Forensic Medicine" Clinic at University Hospital "St. Marina" JSC – Varna.

**City. Plovdiv**  
**17.04.2023 year**

**Signature:**

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