

# AREUEA Code of Professional Conduct

## Guiding Principles

The American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association expects its membership to behave with intellectual and professional integrity.

AREUEA seeks to create a safe, productive, inclusive and collegial environment with equal opportunity and fair treatment for all members and participants in its activities, especially those from groups that historically have not been well represented.

AREUEA will not tolerate any form of discrimination, harassment or abuse of a position of power from anyone attending its meetings and events, engaging in the publication process for *Real Estate Economics* or otherwise conducting AREUEA business.

## Conferences and Events

AREUEA members are both personally and collectively expected to develop and maintain a culture and environment that promotes the creation and dissemination of knowledge. Organizers, members, and attendees should ensure that AREUEA events and conferences promote the free exchange of ideas, and welcome without bias or prejudice the participation of all researchers.

## The Peer-Review Process

The peer-review process ensures the accuracy and quality of published research. As part of the peer-review process, referees should review submissions carefully, confidentially, and without prejudgment and editors should fairly apply standards and operate without personal or ideological favoritism. Editors and referees need to make certain that promises of confidentiality and anonymity are kept.

## Enforcement

Possible violations of the Code of Conduct should be reported to an officer to be designated by the AREUEA Board\* and, if appropriate, the AEA Ombudsman. The AREUEA Board reserves the right to take action against individuals who may have violated the Code of Conduct. These actions can include but are not limited to rescinding AREUEA membership and, if applicable, removal from the AREUEA Board or other AREUEA leadership positions; banning participating in AREUEA conferences and events; and/or prohibiting publishing in *Real Estate Economics*.

\* The designated officer is currently Karen Pence.