

General Terms and Conditions of Participation of CiS Solutions GmbH (hereinafter referred to as "CiS") for the organisation of scientific conferences of CiS Forschungsinstitut für Mikrosensorik GmbH

1 Subject matter of the contract

- 1.1 CiS offers the Customer participation in specialist conferences on the basis of these conditions of participation.
- 1.2 CiS organises specialist conferences in its own name, occasionally in cooperation with third parties. In this context, CiS creates a conference programme and sells admission tickets to participants. Third parties are used as service-providing subcontractors for the preparation and organisation of specialist conferences. This relates in particular to the submission of conference papers and ticketing.

2 Submission of conference papers

- 2.1 Submission is made digitally by sending the completed registration form to CiS on the conference website <https://talks.isec2025.org/isec-2025/cfp>.
- 2.2 Submitters must first create an account in the system.
- 2.3 All submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the programme committee for scientific content and relevance.
- 2.4 There is no entitlement to acceptance of the entry. The entry can be rejected by the programme committee or the organiser at any time and without giving reasons.
- 2.5 Once the selection process has been completed, the organiser will notify the speaker of the acceptance or rejection of the entry.
- 2.6 All submitted and/or presented materials (texts, slides, diagrams, illustrations, photos, videos, etc.) and content must be free of third-party copyrights. Otherwise, the speaker warrants that he/she has been authorised to use and publish such documents and content by the respective copyright holder.
- 2.7 With the accepted submission of a paper, submitters grant the organiser the non-exclusive right to use excerpts from the abstracts for the purpose of conference marketing, e.g. for the conference programme, PR measures, social media campaigns, mailings, etc., without restriction in terms of time and space. In addition, these materials may be published by the organiser after the conference on the Internet, in the conference proceedings or in other suitable media.
- 2.8 The speaker consents to being photographed.
- 2.9 The speaker authorises the organiser to make the image material obtained in this way available to third parties on the Internet.

3 Registration as a participant for the event

- 3.1 Registration takes place digitally by sending the completed registration form to CiS on the conference website <https://registration.isec2025.org/>.
- 3.2 Registration via a digital e-ticket system.
- 3.3 By sending the order, the customer recognises these conditions of participation as binding in the event that a contract is concluded.
- 3.4 The Customer shall indemnify CiS against all third-party claims that are attributable to a breach of these provisions by the Customer.

4 Conclusion of contract

- 4.1 The contract with CiS is concluded as soon as CiS declares its acceptance of the offer to the Customer. CiS declares its acceptance by sending an invoice to the Customer.
If the Customer registers for a conference via an e-ticket system, in particular if the conference ticket is paid for directly online, the participant will receive an automatic invoice as authorisation to attend. The contract is thus concluded.
- 4.2 CiS is free to choose its contractual partners within the framework of the applicable law. The exclusion of competitors in the sense of protection against competition for the Customer is not conceded.
- 4.3 All other provisions that are sent to the Customer by CiS before or on receipt of the invoice will become an integral part of the contract. This applies in particular to the registration form provided by CiS, these Terms and Conditions of Participation, the invoice and the organisational and technical provisions of third parties (e.g. house rules, general terms and conditions or technical guidelines). The Customer undertakes vis-à-vis CiS to observe all rules of behaviour listed therein in connection with the specialist conference and to actively work towards compliance with them. The Customer shall indemnify CiS against all claims by third parties that are attributable to a breach of these rules by the Customer. The Customer shall be liable for persons employed by him (in particular his own employees and subcontractors) and all persons to whom the Customer provides a conference ticket as if they were his own fault. Should provisions effectively included in the contract subsequently change, CiS and the Customer undertake to consider updating the contract accordingly by including the new provisions if one party so requests.
- 4.4 In the event of conflicting regulations, these Conditions of Participation shall take precedence over the other regulations included in the contract.

5 Terms of payment

- 5.1 The participation fees are listed separately by CiS in the registration information for the respective conference or in the e-ticket system. The participation fee for a conference or digital participation is subject to VAT.
- 5.2 The participation fee is due immediately in the e-ticket system.
- 5.3 The assignment of claims of the Customer against CiS to third parties is excluded. The offsetting of claims is only permitted with undisputed or legally established counterclaims of the Customer against CiS. The Customer may only exercise a right of retention if the counterclaim arises from the same contract with CiS.
- 5.4 Complaints about invoices will only be considered if they are made in writing to CiS without delay, but at the latest within 14 days of the invoice being issued.
- 5.5 If invoices are sent electronically, the Customer shall ensure that he regularly checks the selected access channel and that the technical requirements for receipt on his side function properly. Should there be any changes to the selected reception channel, the Customer must inform CiS of this immediately. If CiS incurs damage or additional expense due to missing or defective technical requirements and/or due to the failure to notify CiS of a new reception channel, the Customer is obliged to compensate CiS.

6 Cancellation by the organiser

Notwithstanding the right to extraordinary cancellation, CiS is also entitled to withdraw from the contract if

- a. the customer violates the house rules of the conference room operator or statutory regulations (e.g. competition or patent law) and does not cease his behaviour even after being warned;
- b. the requirements for the granting of the authorisation are no longer met in the person of the registered customer or CiS subsequently becomes aware of reasons, the timely knowledge of which would have justified non-authorisation;
- c. is not economically feasible to hold the conference because the minimum number of participants has not been reached; the right of cancellation must be exercised no later than two weeks before the start of the conference.

7 Reservation and amendment

- 7.1 In cases of force majeure, CiS is entitled to postpone, shorten, extend or temporarily close or cancel the specialist conference in whole or in part, whereby CiS must take reasonable account of the interests of all participating customers in the realisation of the event when selecting the measure. Force majeure is any event beyond the control of CiS that prevents it from fulfilling its obligations in whole or in part, including fire damage, floods, strikes, epidemics, pandemics, lawful lockouts and operational disruptions or official orders for which it is not responsible. CiS is also affected by force majeure if one of its subcontractors is prevented from fulfilling its obligations to CiS as a result of the force majeure.
- 7.2 Clause 5.1 sentence 1 shall apply accordingly if the obstacle to the specialist conference is not due to force majeure, but to a circumstance for which CiS is not responsible. In this case, CiS must take appropriate account of the interests of the Client in the organisation of the specialist conference when exercising the rights arising from Clause 7.1, sentence 1.
- 7.3 Should CiS be in a position to hold the conference at a later date in the event of a necessary postponement of the conference, the customer will be informed of this. The Customer's registration and authorisation to participate shall remain in force; the Customer shall not be entitled to a refund.
- 7.4 If CiS has to shorten or temporarily interrupt a specialist conference that has begun due to the occurrence of force majeure or for other reasons for which CiS is not responsible, the customer is not entitled to a refund or waiver of the participation fee by CiS.

8 Liability

- 8.1 CiS is liable - even in the event of a breach of duty by a legal representative or vicarious agent - irrespective of the legal grounds, only for
 - a. for intent and gross negligence,
 - b. for culpable injury to life, limb and health,
 - c. for damages that fall within the scope of protection of a given guarantee or warranty as well as for defects that have been fraudulently concealed,
 - d. In the event of a breach of material contractual obligations, CiS shall also be liable for slight negligence on the part of its legal representatives or vicarious agents, but limited to the foreseeable damage typical of the contract.
- 8.2 Further claims are excluded.

9 House rules, admission tickets, animals and photos

- 9.1 CiS and its ancillary service providers at the venues are responsible for exercising domiciliary rights at specialist conferences.

9.2 It is not permitted to bring animals or take photographs. Within the framework of the statutory provisions, CiS is entitled to have photographs, drawings and film recordings made of the conference events and to use them for advertising and press publications.

10 Data protection

For more information on data protection and your rights as a data subject, please read our privacy policy <https://www.isec2025.org/information/privacy/> or contact our data protection officer at datenschutz@cismst.de. The data protection declaration becomes an integral part of the contract.

11 Written form, statute of limitations, choice of law, place of jurisdiction, severability clause

- 11.1 Agreements that deviate from these terms and conditions or the provisions supplementing them must be made in text form (e.g. by e-mail). The text form applies accordingly to deviations from this text form clause.
- 11.2 The Customer's claims against CiS shall lapse within 4 weeks of the end of the event.
- 11.3 The mutual rights and obligations arising from this contractual relationship and from this contract are subject to the law of the Federal Republic of Germany to the exclusion of the UN Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods.
- 11.4 Erfurt alone is agreed as the place of jurisdiction for all legal disputes arising in connection with this contract, subject to an exclusive statutory place of jurisdiction. Notwithstanding this, CiS remains authorised to bring an action at the Customer's general place of jurisdiction.
- 11.5 The invalidity of individual provisions of these General Terms and Conditions shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the agreement. Ineffective provisions shall be replaced by such effective provisions that come closest to the economic intentions of the parties. The same applies to loopholes.

12 Right of cancellation

- 12.1 If you are a consumer (i.e. a natural person who places the order for a purpose that cannot be attributed to your commercial or independent professional activity), you have a right of cancellation in accordance with the statutory provisions.
- 12.2 If you make use of your right of cancellation as a consumer, provisions set out in detail in the following **cancellation policy** apply to the right of cancellation.

Right of cancellation for private participants

You have the right to cancel this contract within fourteen days without giving any reason. The cancellation period is fourteen days from the date of receipt of the invoice.

To exercise the right to cancel, you must inform us - CiS Solutions GmbH, Konrad-Zuse-Str. 14, 99099 Erfurt, Germany, Tel.: +49 (0) 361 663 1410, E-Mail: info@cis-solutions-gmbh.de, Internet: <https://www.cis-solutions-gmbh.de> - of your decision to withdraw from this contract by an unequivocal statement (e.g. a letter sent by post, e-mail).

To meet the cancellation deadline, it is sufficient for you to send your notification of exercising your right of cancellation before the cancellation period expires.

Consequences of cancellation

If you cancel this contract, we must refund all payments that we have received from you immediately and at the latest within fourteen days from day on which we receive notification of your cancellation of this contract. For this repayment, we will use the same means of payment you used for the original transaction, unless expressly agreed otherwise with you; in no case will you be charged any fees for this repayment.

- End of the cancellation policy

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