

Conditions of Participation

Special Section

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DMEXCO
22.-23.09.2027

1 Organiser, event, venue and dates, visitor admission

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DMEXCO is being organized by Koelnmesse GmbH, Messeplatz 1, 50679 Cologne, Germany.
The associated Federation is the Federal Association of the Digital Industry (BVDW) e.V., Obentrautstrasse 55, 10963 Berlin.
The event will be held at the Cologne Exhibition Grounds from Wednesday, September 22, 2027 to Thursday, September 23, 2027.

1.2 Opening times

For exhibitors: Wed., Sept 22, 2027 from 7:30 AM to 7:30 PM
Thu., Sept 23, 2027 from 7:30 AM to 6:30 PM
For visitors: Wed., Sept 22, 2027 from 9:00 AM to 6:30 PM
Thu., Sept 23, 2027 from 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM

1.3 Stand construction and dismantling

1.3.1 General provisions

Work may proceed in the halls and outdoor areas during the general construction and dismantling times from 12 AM to 12 AM (to 6:00 PM on the last day of construction) insofar as no divergent provision has been specified.

1.3.2 Stand construction

Construction period begins: Sunday, September 19, 2027, 6:00 AM.
Construction period ends: Tuesday, September 21, 2027, 8:00 PM.

Work that produces large amounts of dust must cease by 6:00 PM on Tuesday, September 21, 2027. All of the aisles must be completely cleared by 6:00 PM on Tuesday, September 21, 2027 so that the floors can be blacked without any problems. We reserve the right to claim the costs for cleaning the aisles of any soiling that has arisen after this time.

Early setup—only with special permission—is possible as follows:

- Halls 7 and 8: starting Friday, September 17, 2027, at 6:00 a.m.
- Halls 6 and 9: starting Saturday, September 18, 2027, at 6:00 a.m.

Special permit forms (subject to a fee) are available at exhibitor@dmexco.com. Early setup must be registered with Koelnmesse by Friday, August 20, 2027.

Costs:

- Starting Friday, September 17, 2027: €1,600.00 per day (6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.), €1,100.00 per night (10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.)
- Starting Saturday, September 18, 2027: €1,600.00 per day (6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.), €1,100.00 per night (10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.)

The storage of material is also considered to be construction. For each violation the Koelnmesse is entitled to impose a penalty for breach of contract of up to €5,000.00. In general, vehicles will be granted access to the grounds until 5:00 PM on the last day of construction September 21, 2027.

1.3.3 Stand dismantling

Dismantling start: Thursday, Sept 23, 2027 from 5:30 PM onwards
Dismantling finish: Friday, Sept 24, 2027 at 10:00 PM

Dismantling of the trade fair stand and the goods presentation may not begin before the end of the event at 5:30 PM on September 23, 2027 (see item 12 of these conditions).

Admission for dismantling personnel from: 5:30 PM.
Trucks will be permitted to enter from: 7:30 PM.

After obtaining prior permission extended dismantling is possible until Saturday, September 25, 2027, 10:00 PM. Special permission can be obtained for a fee at exhibitor@dmexco.com. Extended stand dismantling must be

registered with Koelnmesse team by Friday, August 21, 2027.

Cost per exhibition space for the extended dismantling period: €1,600.00 per day (6:00 AM to 10:00 PM), €1,100.00 per night (10:00 PM to 6:00 AM)

The exhibitor is liable to Koelnmesse for any damages arising as a result of failure to observe these provisions. Should claims be made against Koelnmesse as a result of failure to observe these provisions the exhibitor exempts Koelnmesse from all such claims.

Koelnmesse is entitled to demand payment of a security in the amount of €5,000.00 to be refunded after the correct and timely return of the area; there is no entitlement to payment of interest. This security is to guarantee claims arising from the contractual relationship, in particular regarding the timely clearing of the stand area.

Furthermore, late clearing of the stand area is a serious violation of the Conditions of Participation. In the event of any violation of this condition, Koelnmesse is entitled to impose a fine of up to €5,000.00 (depending on the severity of the violation) for each such violation and / or to exclude the exhibitor from subsequent events.

2 Eligibility to participate

2.1 Exhibitors

Only producers that are entered in the Commercial Register or in the Register of Craft Businesses are permitted to participate at DMEXCO. Such producers must exhibit products that correspond to the focus of the event (see the [Products List](#)). You may only participate as an exhibitor if the exhibited products are manufactured or developed by your company itself or developed or produced on its behalf and exclusively marketed or, in the case of services, exclusively provided by your company.

You can exhibit for the companies you represent as a sales representative, sales company, association or importer insofar as the goods exhibited are not offered by any other company at the trade fair and you possess the necessary rights to present the exhibits.

Koelnmesse may also require that proof of the nature of the manufacturer's business or of the activities as the manufacturers' sales company or importer be submitted in an appropriate form on demand.

Decisions on company acceptance, eligible products and the location of exhibitor stands will be made by Koelnmesse. In the event of a rejection, you will receive a separate letter.

All exhibited products and services must correspond to the focus of the event. See the accompanying Products List. The products must be new ex works. Products and services that do not correspond to the focus of the event and used products may not be exhibited or offered.

Participation as exhibitors by interest groups, associations, corporate bodies, institutions and foundations under public law can be permitted when their presentation and presence correspond to the focus of the event (see Item 2.1 Sentence 1).

2.2 Co-Exhibitors

The participation of co-exhibitors at DMEXCO is possible. A special application and acceptance by the organizer are required for the use of the stand area by a co-exhibitor (see Item V of the [General Section of the Conditions of Participation](#)).

The complete registration of all co-exhibitors by the main exhibitor must reach Koelnmesse on or before May 31, 2027. This also applies in the case where the registration takes place online using a means made available by Koelnmesse..

Applications that are received by Koelnmesse after this date cannot be taken into account. Enabling a company to participate on the stand area without first obtaining the approval of Koelnmesse is a serious violation of the Conditions of Participation. In the event of any violation of this condition,

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Koelnmesse is entitled to impose a fine of up to €5,000.00 (depending on the severity of the violation) for each such violation and / or — depending on the severity of the case — to exclude the exhibitor from this and / or subsequent events. The stipulations of Item V of the General Section of the Conditions of Participation are not affected.

2.3 Group participation

The participation of group participants in the DMEXCO is possible. A special registration and approval by the organizer is required for the use of the stand area by a group participant (see Item V of the General Section of the Conditions of Participation). The registration has to be completely filled in and the main exhibitor has to sign it with a legally binding signature and submit it to Koelnmesse by August 09, 2027 at the latest.

Group organizers may only register companies as group participants and admit them to their stand area if they have their registered office in the same country as the group organizer. The acceptance by the group organizer on its stand area of a company that does not have its registered office in the same country as the group organizer constitutes a serious violation of these Conditions of Participation. Koelnmesse is entitled to impose a fine of up to €5,000.00 (depending on the severity of the violation) for each such violation and / or to exclude the group organizer from subsequent events. The stipulations of Item V of the General Section of the Conditions of Participation are not affected.

2.4 Visitors

DMEXCO is a trade fair. DMEXCO is only open to trade visitors. Koelnmesse has the right to charge a fee for admission to DMEXCO.

3 Participation fee and other costs

3.1 Participation Fee

Early Bird until October 23, 2026* 571.60 €/sqm

Regular price from October 24, 2026* 614.60 €/sqm

Last Call from August 11, 2027* 674.60 €/sqm

*Receipt at Koelnmesse

The participation fee does not include the cost for any constructions and floor coverings.

The participation fee covers the provision of the stand area of the exhibition space for the entire duration of the event, including the stipulated construction and dismantling periods; a specific number of exhibitor and construction and dismantling passes — see Item 5.1; the use of all technical and service facilities in the trade fair halls; advice by Koelnmesse GmbH experts on organization, advertising and public relations work for your participation; advertising media for visitor advertising done by your company on its own; and press contact services. The participation fee will be calculated according to the exact dimensions of the stand area allocated. Hall pillars and other fixed construction elements present in the rented stand area do not constitute grounds for a reduction of the participation fee.

For two-storey trade fair stands, the actual area allotted in the second storey after the technical inspection has been carried out is invoiced at 100 per cent of the participation price (incl. the costs for the digital and marketing package, AUMA fee and the flat-rate energy fee) per m2 without stand type fees of floor area.

The minimum stand size for own stand construction is 20 sqm, for modular concept stand 16 sqm.

Please bear in mind that the stand space rental price for own stand constructions does not include any superstructures or floor surfacing and that there are no partition walls (back and side walls) to the neighboring stands.

3.1.2 Stand Type Fees

Terrace stand: €0.00/sqm

Corner stand: €10.00/sqm
Two corner stand: €15.00/sqm
Island stand: €20.00/sqm

3.2 Other costs

3.2.1 AUMA fee

The Association of the German Trade Fair Industry (Ausstellungs- und Messeausschuss der Deutschen Wirtschaft e. V. — AUMA) charges a fee of €0.60/sqm of exhibition space for representing exhibitor interests. Important note: In case of a two-storey construction, this fee of €0.60/sqm of exhibition space will also be charged for the floor space occupied in the upper storey. Koelnmesse will calculate and collect the fees in the name of, and on the account of AUMA. More detailed information is available at www.auma.de.

3.2.2 Flat-rate energy fee

Exhibitors will be charged a proportional flat-rate energy fee of €25.00/sqm of occupied stand area.

3.2.3 Additional costs payment for services

The services used by an exhibitor at an event (e.g. electricity and water supplies, stand cleaning etc.) are invoiced after the conclusion of the event. Invoice amounts are payable immediately upon receipt.

3.2.4 Co-Exhibitor fee

Insofar as the inclusion of other companies is permitted on the stand space (see Item V of the General Section of the Conditions of Participation/Item 2.2 of these conditions), a co-exhibitor fee of €1,780.00 per company will be charged. Each main exhibitor who has booked a stand area of 20 sqm is entitled to register one co-exhibitor. For each additional 10 sqm, the main exhibitor can register one additional co-exhibitor.

Each co-exhibitor must be registered via the [online registration form](#). The co-exhibitor fee remains payable should the co-exhibitor not participate in the event.

3.2.5 Digital and Marketing Package

The Digital and Marketing Package is a mandatory component of the participation fee. It costs €180.00/sqm and provides the under point 7 listed services.

3.2.6 Value-added tax

All prices given are net prices. The statutory VAT will be charged additionally where applicable.

3.2.7 Value added tax identification number

As a rule, Koelnmesse provides exhibitors (proprietors) with a uniform service — a so-called event service — pursuant to Section 3a.4. Par. (2) of the German ordinance on the application of VAT (UStAE). The place of performance for such services is the recipient's headquarters. Koelnmesse will therefore invoice foreign exhibitors (proprietors) according to the reverse charge accounting mechanism without charging any German VAT. Exhibitors from the European Union need to enter their valid VAT identification number in the registration form in order to be considered proprietors. Exhibitors must immediately notify Koelnmesse in writing of any changes to their VAT identification numbers.

3.2.8 VAT refund

If, in exceptional cases, services are not provided as uniform offerings in the sense described above and statutory VAT is charged, foreign exhibitors (proprietors) may receive a refund of the invoiced VAT provided they fulfil the legal requirements.

Further details are available on the Internet at: www.bzst.bund.de.

3.2.9 Exhibitor categories in the exhibitor search online

The online entry of the exhibitor categories in the exhibitor search is included in the Digital and Marketing Package and will not be charged separately. The selection of the categories is carried out by the exhibitor on the DMEXCO event platform in the self-service area.

3.2.10 Brand name registration

It is possible to publish online not only the company name but also the brand name(s). Only brand names of which the respective exhibitor is the owner can be published.

The brand name is to be submitted with the online application and costs €920,00 per brand entry. The brand name will also be listed in the list of exhibitors online as well as in the hall plan. In the case of the exhibitor directory, the brand links to the exhibitor profile.

If demanded by the Koelnmesse, proof of the brand rights has to be provided. The exhibitor is responsible for ensuring that the publication of the brand does not breach against any property rights or any other rights of third parties. Should a claim be filed against the Koelnmesse by third parties because their rights are allegedly being violated by the publication of the brand, the exhibitor indemnifies the Koelnmesse from any such liability. It is not possible to cancel the brand name entry free of charge.

3.2.11 Issuance of a new bill

The details you entered on the online registration form concerning the billing address are binding. There will be a fee for a new bill if it is issued for reasons for which Koelnmesse is not responsible. A flatrate fee of €100.00 will be charged for each new bill.

3.3 Costs in the Event of Non-Participation

3.3.1 Prior to receipt of acceptance/stand area confirmation

A registration that has taken place during the Early Bird period can be cancelled free of charge within this period at any time. The Early Bird period relates to the subsequent event. It begins 4 weeks before and ends 4 weeks after the end of the current event.

Provided that it does not concern an Early Bird registration within the Early Bird period or that this is not permitted by this [Special Section of the Conditions of Participation](#), the following shall apply: Should the supplier revoke its registration before receipt of the acceptance / confirmation, it undertakes to pay a fee in the amount of € 2,500.00

3.3.2 After receipt of acceptance/stand area confirmation

Normally, a withdrawal from the contract after receipt of the acceptance/confirmation is not permitted. The regulation contained in Item II of the [General Section of the Conditions of Participation](#) applies. In the event of your non-participation, you must pay compensation. Provided the reserved stand area can be rented to a third party, this compensation amounts to 25% of the participation fee subject, however, to the minimum fee specified in Item 3.3.1. If the exhibitor wishes to reduce the size of the stand area, this regulation applies accordingly to the stand area that becomes free as a result, if the organizer agrees to a reduction in the size of the stand area as an exception.

The costs and deadlines for the stand construction services provided by Koelnmesse can be found in the Koelnmesse Group's General Terms and Conditions for Services and the Koelnmesse Group's Special Terms and Conditions for Services - Stand Construction. These General Terms and Conditions of the Koelnmesse Group are available for download as part of the exhibitor registration process, on the [event homepage](#) or via the event's [Service Shop](#).

3.3.3 You shall be entitled to prove that no damages were incurred or that the costs were significantly less extensive than the fee charged.

4 Stand sizes and construction

4.1 Stand Size

The minimum stand size for own stand construction is 20 sqm, for modular concept stand (Plug & Play) 16 sqm.

Please note that hall pillars and other fixed construction elements may be present in the rented stand area. Minor deviations from the requested stand size do not entitle an objection to be made under Item II of the [General Section of the Conditions of Participation](#). Trade fair partition walls for separating the stand area are not automatically provided. If they are needed as stand construction elements, however, they can be ordered for a fee. This fee does not include stand construction.

Koelnmesse will erect partition walls only if this is necessary for safety reasons due to the installation of water pipes or electrical systems.

4.2 Responsibility

Stand construction, design and operation must comply with all the regulations that are valid in Germany (including the special construction regulation, the industrial safety law and regulations, the DIN and EN standards, the VDE regulations, and the accident prevention regulations of the employers' liability insurance associations in their currently valid versions). All of these provisions apply to the company's own as well as to independent stand designers, decorators, and signwriters and to all persons insofar as they perform activities commissioned by the exhibitor or on the exhibitor's behalf in connection with the construction, design, operation and dismantling of the stand.

The exhibitor is responsible for ensuring that all regulations are complied with. The exhibitor must supervise construction and dismantling personnel and other persons working on its behalf, in order to ensure that they adhere to the regulations.

The stipulations of the [General Section of the Conditions of Participation](#) and the [Technical Guidelines](#) are not affected.

4.3 Overall height

The minimum construction height is set at 2.50 m, insofar as this is permitted by the height of the hall ceiling and any existing fixed installations.

Technical and design approval is required for all stands.

Stand construction approval is granted exclusively via the Delegatis digital platform; you will receive access information to the system by e-mail. For approval, the questionnaire stored in the system must be completed in good time, but at least 8 weeks before the start of construction. Any verifiable documents required for approval will be requested in the course of the questionnaire; verifiable documents may include floor plans, elevations and structural sections with all dimensions and - if necessary - a structural calculation; as well as corresponding certificates. If you have any questions about the digital approval system, please contact acceptance@koelnmesse.de. Approvals will not be processed by e-mail.

The rear sides of the stand structures at the stand boundaries to neighboring exhibitors must be white and smooth above a height of 2.50 m.

4.4 Distance from the neighbouring stands

As well as it not being permitted to exceed the construction height of 3 meters on the closed borders of the stand to neighbouring stands, a boundary zone of 1 meters is to be maintained or the written consent of the neighbouring stand has to be presented to Koelnmesse.

4.5 Notice of Approval

Stand construction may not commence until the exhibitor has received a copy bearing Koelnmesse's notice of approval. This notice of approval does not release the exhibitor from the observance of the relevant provisions. It only states that Koelnmesse has no objections in the context of stand design/

arrangement. If requested to do so by Koelnmesse, the exhibitor is obliged to immediately submit any additionally required information related to the trade fair stand. There is no obligation on the part of Koelnmesse to ensure the observance of other provisions. Nevertheless, if an infringement of the relevant provisions is found to have been committed, Koelnmesse can, for this reason, also refuse to issue the notice of approval. Please note that in exceptional cases — on your behalf and on your account — the stand construction documents must be submitted to the responsible authorities for scrutiny. Irrespective of official approvals of the stand, any objections made by Koelnmesse concerning the stand must be immediately responded to. In case of imminent danger, Koelnmesse is entitled to determine at its absolute discretion the measures necessary and have them implemented at the exhibitor's expense.

4.6 Stand Type

The following terms are used for the stand types:

Terrace stand:	One side open
Corner stand:	Two sides open
Two-corner stand:	Three sides open
Island stand:	Four sides open

Deviations from the requested stand shape do not entitle an objection to be made under Item II of the [General Section of the Conditions of Participation](#).

4.7 Construction and Design of the Stands

The stands must be constructed in compliance with the stand form that has been approved. Accordingly, a terrace stand must have at least three solid exterior walls, a corner stand must have at least two solid exterior walls, and a two corner stand must have at least one solid exterior wall.

The arrangement of the stands is left to the exhibitor but must be appropriate for the event in question.

Your company name and your products/services must be clearly visible on your stand.

The exhibitor has to obtain information about the load capacity of the hall floor and the hall headroom. Only the on-site measurements apply to the stand area.

Banners and company signs are not permitted to extend into the aisles.

You can receive further information on possibilities for advertising here: , Tel. +49 221 821-3998.

Koelnmesse also offers a completely outfitted turnkey stand system. Orders can be placed using the [stand construction configurator](#).

5 Exhibitor-, work and service passes

5.1 Exhibitor Passes

Each exhibitor receives free passes that are valid for the period from the first day on which construction work begins to the final day of dismantling:

- 3 exhibitor passes for a stand up to 20 m²
- 1 exhibitor pass for each further or part unit 10 m² up to 100 m²
- 1 exhibitor pass for each further or part unit 20 m² above 100 m²
- The maximum number of passes free of charge is 150 exhibitors passes. The exhibitor should order the codes for the passes in the [service shop](#). They must be redeemed online via the event's [ticket shop](#). The passes and travel tickets can only be used via the app of the respective event. The registration in the app must use the same data as used at the [ticket shop](#). Additional codes can also be ordered for a fee from the [service shop](#). The number of codes provided free of charge will be offset against the codes used for access in the final invoice. Should the number of codes you have ordered and used for access exceed the number of codes provided free of charge, you will be invoiced for these codes.

5.2 Work passes

You will also receive free codes that allow people commissioned by you or who work on your behalf to access the exhibition centre in order to construct or dismantle your stand. The passes created using these codes are only valid up to the start and after the end of the event during the stand construction and/or dismantling periods. They do not entitle the holders to enter the grounds during the event. These codes are ordered in the [service shop](#).

- 4 work passes for a stand up to 20 m²
- 1 work pass for each further or part unit 10 m² up to 100 m²
- 1 work pass for each further or part unit 20 m² above 100 m² up to a maximum number of 150 work passes

You will receive the passes digitally with the exhibitor passes.

5.3 Service passes

Exhibitors may order free service passes for service staff during the event (such as baristas, hostesses, etc.). Service passes allow holders to enter fair grounds both during construction and dismantling periods as well as during the event.

Holders of service passes are excluded from networking possibilities and do not receive access to the DMEXCO digital event platform.

Service passes can be ordered for free 4 weeks prior the event via order@dmexco.com.

5.4 Transfer of passes forbidden

Transferring a pass to a third party — whether sold or given free of charge — is not permitted and represents a severe violation of the Conditions of Participation, as stipulated by Item VI of the [General Section of the Conditions of Participation](#).

5.5 Return of Vouchers and Passes

Unused vouchers and passes cannot be returned to Koelnmesse.

6 Rules on selling

In view of the trade nature of the event, direct sales of exhibits or samples from the trade fair stands are not permitted. Furthermore, exhibits may not carry a price tag.

This regulation does not apply to printed matter such as trade publications and specialist journals.

Koelnmesse has the right to carry out checks and, in the event of violations of these conditions, to take suitable measures. Koelnmesse also has the right to immediately close the stands of any exhibitors who commit such violations. Claims on the part of the exhibitor for damages or refunds are excluded in the event of such measures.

7 Digital- and Marketing services (Marketing Package)

7.1 Scope of obligatory digital and marketing services

- Integration into the digital DMEXCO 2027 and presence on the digital event platform of DMEXCO*
- Lead tracking integrated into the DMEXCO 2027 Event Platform
- Participation in online networking*
- Entry in the DMEXCO 2027 online exhibitor directory**
- Entry in the DMEXCO 2027 online exhibitor search**
- The company profile can be designed to the exhibitors specifications, among them visual assets (logo, header, view of profile, background), information regarding the company and relevant tags, contact details, social media links, downloadable content, management of meeting availabilities and meeting requests, audit and controlling of content performance as well as maintaining team members
- Self-maintenance of product categories (exhibitor categories) for the better searchability and findability (e. g. in the search function)*
- Up to 5 entries within the DMEXCO 2027 digital jobboard with a link to the

exhibitor profile*

- Up to 5 product and service entries within DMEXCO 2027 digital offer and presentation of these via a dedicated detail page with product photo and description with a link to the exhibitor's profile*.
- Entry in the hall plan with company name, incl. all brand entries*
- Online ordering of technical services such as power connections, hanging points, etc. via Koelnmesse [service shop](#)

Support through targeted DMEXCO communication measures:

- Marketing/advertising: National and international positioning of the DMEXCO as the world's leading industry event
- Free online advertising materials for the company's own visitor advertising
- Press contacts via the DMEXCO PR team (upon request)
- Addressing potential industry and marketing decision-makers
- Event PR

* Services also visible to visitors in the mobile app

** Services visible to visitors in the mobile app as well as on the DMEXCO website under online exhibitor search

7.2 Costs for the obligatory digital and marketing services (digital and marketing package)

Use of the marketing services listed under Item 7.1 is mandatory for all represented companies, coexhibitors and other represented companies and costs 176.00€/qm for the listed services. Our official contractual partners will provide you with all order information and documents for the marketing services offered. Please note that your company's participation requires Koelnmesse's approval. Therefore, this approval is also a prerequisite for any offers or order confirmations.

If an exhibitor still has not submitted an order to the official contractual partners by the editorial and advertising deadline, the exhibitor's particulars shall be added to the official fair media, subject to charge, on the basis of the information provided on the respective Online Registration Form. Where possible, registrations and orders received later will also be included in the official fair media. If Koelnmesse receives orders and registrations later than the editorial and advertising deadline, Koelnmesse shall accept no guarantee for provision of any marketing services. In such cases, there shall be no claims recognised, regardless of their nature, but particularly claims for reductions in cost for inclusion in the official media, or claims for damages.

7.3 Special data protection provisions for lead tracking

Use by trade fair visitors is voluntary. Neither the exhibitor, nor Koelnmesse GmbH nor any other third party can require visitors to take part in the Trade Fair App's lead tracking feature and so to pass on their personal data. Koelnmesse GmbH forwards the personal data to third parties only if the visitor first agrees to have their data used in this way. A consent to data transfer has sometimes been given when a visitor has actively agreed to a networking request from an exhibitor via the Trade Fair App or a scan of the ticket QR code (e.g. at the exhibitor's trade fair stand).

In addition, the exhibitor is obliged in individual cases to delete the personal data that it has received as a result of lead tracking if it is requested to do so by Koelnmesse GmbH or the visitor in question. Koelnmesse GmbH is not liable for the accuracy and completeness of the visitor registration data.

The exhibitor may only forward the personal data received as a result of lead tracking to third parties if and to the extent that the exhibitor has received express consent from the respective visitor. The exhibitor also undertakes to use the personal data received as a result of lead tracking only in accordance with the legal regulations, especially those relating to data protection, and only for the exhibitor's own purposes. In this respect, the exhibitor shall exempt Koelnmesse GmbH from all claims by third parties.

7.4 Responsibility/release of Koelnmesse from liability

Koelnmesse GmbH, Messeplatz 1, 50679 Köln, Germany, is the publisher of the official trade fair media. Koelnmesse may assign the practical implementation of the advertising to a third party company. Advertisers are responsible for the content of their advertisements and entries and are liable for any damages related thereto. The regulations regarding liability in the General section of the Conditions of Participation apply with regard to any liability on the part of Koelnmesse.

Koelnmesse GmbH is not liable for damage to property and persons caused by the use of the Trade Fair App for the lead tracking service unless it can be proved that Koelnmesse GmbH acted deliberately or with gross negligence. Liability is limited to foreseeable damages. The use of the Trade Fair App for utilizing the lead tracking service is at the user's own risk. Although Koelnmesse strives to provide correct information, it does not guarantee the currency, accuracy and completeness of the supplied information nor is it liable for such.

Koelnmesse assumes no responsibility for the technical availability of the services offered. Warranty or damage claims of all kinds are excluded if the technology breaks down or malfunctions in some other way. In particular, maintenance, security and capacity-related issues as well as events over which Koelnmesse has no control (e.g. disturbances of the public communication networks, power outages etc.) can lead to brief disruptions or a temporary suspension of the services. Koelnmesse does not guarantee that the web pages will be accessible at all times and that participants can call them up flawlessly and without encountering incorrect content or technical difficulties. Koelnmesse is not liable for incorrect information that is produced or disseminated by participants and/or third parties (including cooperation partners) and that is related to the ordering of admission tickets and catalogues for trade fairs and exhibitions of the Koelnmesse Group on the Internet. Koelnmesse is especially not liable for e-mails or data entries that the system fails to accept and/or receive because they do not conform to the stipulations of these Conditions of Participation or to the website's technical requirements.

Koelnmesse is not liable for the offers made by third parties, especially not if they are related to the use of the lead tracking service.

Koelnmesse does not guarantee that all links and references to external content that are found during the use of the lead tracking service are correct or complete.

8 Commercial property rights

Koelnmesse does not want any exhibitors who in the process of producing, disseminating, selling, owning or advertising their products violate laws regarding the protection of intellectual property or commercial property rights in the broadest sense.

If a final court decision has determined res judicata that an exhibitor in connection with one of Koelnmesse's events has violated laws of the kind mentioned in paragraph 1, Koelnmesse is entitled to bar that exhibitor from the next event of this kind after the res judicata court decision if there is sufficient suspicion that the exhibitor will again and repeatedly violate laws for the protection of intellectual property or commercial property rights.

You can find more information in the [No Copy! brochure](#).

9 Non-permissible advertising/Violations of the Conditions of Participation

Only the advertising opportunities offered in the advertising booklet are permissible outside of the rented stand space. So-called "walking acts" and promotion teams outside of the stand, body-painting, performers, scantily dressed hostesses as well as advertising of an ideological and political nature are prohibited. The Federal Association of the Digital Industry e.V., the industry partner of the organizers, is exclusively reserved the right to organize tours of the DMEXCO (Guided Tours). The exhibitor bears responsibility for the legality of competitions, raffles etc. For each such violation the Koelnmesse is entitled to impose a penalty for breach of contract of up to €5,000.00 depending on the severity of the violation and/or to exclude the exhibitor from subsequent events.

9.1 In order to ensure that the overall character of the event is safeguarded and the exhibitors and visitors are protected from irritating or illegal activities, the following advertising measures in particular are forbidden:

- Exceeding the binding specified overall height;

- Advertising activities outside the rented stand area without the prior written permission of Koelnmesse;
 - Advertising of an ideological or political nature.
- The exhibitor bears responsibility for the legality of competitions, raffles etc.

9.2 In the event of severe violations of the Conditions of Participation, Koelnmesse may immediately close your stand and clear it without resorting to legal assistance. Claims of all kinds — especially claims for damages — are excluded in these cases.

9.3 Dismantling the trade fair stand and / or the exhibits before the official end of the event represents a serious breach of the Conditions of Participation. In the event of any violation of this condition, Koelnmesse is entitled to impose a fine of up to €5,000.00 (depending on the severity of the violation) for each such violation and / or to exclude the exhibitor from subsequent events.

10 WiFi operation

By booking internet connection in the Koelnmesse-service shop a preconfigured WiFi is included. Dedicated exhibitor WiFi networks and routers are not allowed to be used. Operating a WiFi without registering it previously with the Koelnmesse or any unauthorized changes or disregarding the WiFi installation parameters predefined by the Koelnmesse can be punished with a penalty for breach of contract of up to €5,000.00. In the event of a repeated violation the Koelnmesse is entitled to forbid the exhibitor from operating a WLAN at his stand and/or to exclude the exhibitor from the event. The use of terminals capable for 5 GHz ("high quality") is strongly recommended. In cases where exhibitors using terminals solely capable for 2.4 GHz frequency range experience a failure of service, no claims for damages may be made against Koelnmesse.

11 Stand parties

The holding of so-called stand parties (gathering on the exhibitor's stand area by employees of an exhibitor or employees of an exhibitor with visitors invited by said employees) outside the opening times for visitors is only permissible with prior registration and authorization by Koelnmesse via the Service Shop.

12 Early clearing of the trade fair stand

The stand must be occupied and staffed for the entire duration of the event (see Item III, Par. 2 of the General Section of the Conditions of Participation). The dismantling of the trade fair stand may not begin before the end of the event (cf. Item 1.3.2 of these Conditions of Participation). The stand may not be cleared either wholly or in part, nor may products be packed up, before the end of the event. Clearing the stand before the end of DMEXCO constitutes a serious violation of these Conditions of Participation. In every case of such a violation, Koelnmesse has the right to charge a fixed penalty in an amount proportional to the severity of the violation, up to a maximum of €5,000.00 and/or exclude the exhibitor from subsequent events.

13 Formal requirements

All declarations must be made in text form.

14 Severability clause

Should individual or several provisions of these conditions be or become invalid in whole or in part, the validity of the remaining provisions and of the contract as a whole shall not be affected. The parties will conduct negotiations in good faith to replace the invalid provisions with valid provisions that come as close as possible to fulfilling the business purpose of the invalid provisions.

Should the invalidity of a provision have arisen from a specific figure given therein with regard to performance or time (deadline or date), the nearest legally permissible figure shall replace the invalid one in the provision.

15 General section of the Conditions of Participation, Technical Guidelines

The stipulations of the General Section of the Conditions of Participation and the Technical Guidelines are not affected.

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