



## General terms of participation

### OPERATIVE DAYS

By submitting a signed registration form in writing or electronically, the exhibitor enters into a binding agreement to participate in the event and to abide by the Finnish Society of Surgery and the Finnish Society of Anaesthesiologists Terms of Participation and any supplementary conditions or instructions provided.

#### 1. Exhibitors and products

Sellers of the products and services specified in the product groups of the event or their authorised representatives as well as organizations and publishers in the field are eligible to participate as exhibitors.

Only products approved by the the Organizers may be exhibited. The Organizers shall have the right to remove other items as well as items or services that may cause a threat or inconvenience to other exhibitors or the public.

#### 2. Reserving exhibition space

A binding reservation is made by submitting an application form in writing or electronically to the Organizer. Upon approval of the application, the Organizer shall send confirmation to the exhibitor electronically. The Organizers reserves the right to reject exhibitor applications. The exhibitor shall not have the right to sublet or transfer a stand or part of a stand to another party without the Organizers written permission.

#### 3. Location of stands

The Organizers shall determine the final location of stands, taking into consideration the effective use of hall space, event-specific branch grouping and, where possible, exhibitors' wishes.

Minimum size is 2 m x 3 m = 6 sqm. The stand rental does not include wall or any technic.

Min. dept of the stands is 2 m and the height of the walls are min. 2,5 m.

#### 4. Cancelling participation, decreasing the size of a stand and reversion of the right to use a stand

4.1. The exhibitor shall have the right to cancel his participation or decrease the amount of exhibition space **reserved within seven (7) days after registration date**. Requests for cancellation of participation or change of stand size must be made in writing. In the event that the exhibitor

cancels his participation or decreases the size of his stand at a later time, the Organizers shall be entitled to collect fees in full as specified in the confirmed reservation.

4.2. The right to use a stand shall revert to the Organizers if:

- a) the exhibitor cancels his participation; or
- b) the exhibitor fails to pay participation fees within the due date specified in the event-specific terms of participation; or
- c) the exhibitor fails to take possession of the reserved exhibition space by noon on the day preceding the opening day unless otherwise agreed; or
- d) the exhibitor is otherwise in material breach of the terms of participation or any supplementary instructions provided.

In the event that the right to use exhibition space reverts to the Organizers as specified in Section 4.2 herein, the Organizers shall be entitled to collect participation fees in full as specified in the confirmed reservation. In such cases, the Organizers shall have the right to resell the exhibition space or to use it for any other purpose as necessary.

## **5. Stand construction**

The exhibitor shall be responsible for erecting, decorating, dismantling, removing and cleaning his own stand as well as waste management. Attaching anything to the ceiling, a pillar or the wall structures of the halls is strictly forbidden. The price of a participation solution rented from the Helsinki Exhibition & Convention Centre includes the erection and dismantling of the participation solution in the package.

The following shall always be subject to prior approval by the Organizers:

- The placement of any exhibition item weighing more than 1,000 kg;

**Note! Structures and decorations higher than 250 cm (walls and/or roll-ups etc.) closer than 2 meters from boundaries needs always a written permission from a neighbouring stands.**

- The erection of two-storey stand constructions; 50% of the basic rent per square metre shall be collected for floor space on the upper level.

Exhibitors wishing to undertake any of the above measures must apply for approval from the Organizers in writing no later than 45 days prior to the event in question.

## **6. Exhibiting**

The following measures by the exhibitor are subject to prior approval by the Organizers:

- Displaying the name of any other party besides the exhibitor, his principals and representatives at a stand. The registration fee or minimum participation fee shall be collected for such a display except in the event that the exhibitor and Organizers have agreed on a joint stand at the time of registration.
- Distribution of any products or marketing materials other than the exhibitor's own;

- Distribution of any materials or undertaking any other activity outside the boundaries of the exhibitor's own stand.

Stands may not be emptied or dismantled before the start of the official dismantling period. The time for this shall be specified for each event by the Organizer. Any exhibitor found in breach of this condition shall be charged a contract penalty at the amount of one thousand (1,000) euro. If an exhibitor fails to dismantle its stand within the official dismantling period, the Organizers are entitled to dismantle the stand on behalf of the exhibitor and to charge any dismantling and storage costs to the exhibitor.

## **7. Damage and insurance**

The exhibitor shall be liable for any damages caused to the structures, equipment, exhibition items and other property in his stand through breakage, theft or other causes.

The exhibitor shall be liable for any personal or material damages which may be caused by his stand's structures, equipment, exhibition items or the exhibitor's or his subcontractor's activities to third parties (such as visitors or other exhibitors) The exhibitor shall be responsible for arranging appropriate liability insurance to cover any damage to people or property.

## **8. Electricity and electrical work**

The exhibitor shall order electricity as well as the necessary installation work for his stand. The exhibitor is responsible for electrical equipment brought by him to the stand. Electrical installations at the Helsinki Exhibition & Convention Centre shall be performed by an electric contractor authorised by the Organizer. The Organizer shall not be responsible for any damage caused by a power outage.

## **9. Security, fire and other safety**

Helsinki Exhibition & Convention Centre shall be responsible for fire security and general order at the Helsinki Exhibition & Convention Centre, but not for any damage to or loss of the exhibitor's goods, structures, etc.

With regard to fire safety and the structures and materials used at the stand, exhibitors must comply with current legislation and decrees as well as the Helsinki Exhibition & Convention Centre security guidelines. Permission must be obtained from the fire department or law enforcement authorities in advance to display any equipment, structures or performances which are subject to permission.

In demonstrating machines and other technical equipment, exhibitors must comply with the provisions of the Occupational Safety and Health Act and the Helsinki Exhibition & Convention Centre security guidelines.

## **10. Demonstrations**

The exhibitor shall be responsible for the appropriate advance inspection of films, video

programmes. Presentations may not disturb neighbouring stands. The exhibitor must ensure that television sets used at the stand are covered by a valid television licence.

### **11. Passes**

The exhibitor's staff and subcontractors must have personal passes provided by the Organisers during construction and dismantling work as well as during the fair itself. Passes must be visibly displayed.

### **12. Force majeure**

The Organizers shall not be liable for delays and damages caused by cancellation or postponement of the event due to force majeure. Force majeure conditions include all circumstances beyond the Organizers control which the Organizers could not have reasonably anticipated at the time of signing the Agreement and whose consequences the Organizers could not have reasonably avoided or overcome.

Force majeure conditions include, amongst others, interruptions in general power supply, fire or other event preventing normal use of the fair facilities, natural disasters, earthquake, acts of war or riot. Strikes, lockouts, boycotts and other labour disputes are considered force majeure even when the Organizers itself is the target of or a participant of said actions.

Force majeure conditions affecting a subcontractor hired by the Organizers shall also be grounds for absolution of the Organizers liability.

### **13. Other terms and conditions/catering**

Retailing is forbidden at the fair unless the event-specific terms of participation state the contrary. Fazer Ravintolat Oy shall have the exclusive right to provide catering services at the Helsinki Exhibition & Convention Centre.

**Technical orders/eMessukeskus:** The Finnish Fair Corporation will send invoices to foreign exhibitors without value added tax, provided that the exhibitor has indicated their VAT number on the registration form. Interest on overdue payments shall be charged at 16%.

The Finnish version of these terms of participation shall take precedence in case of any difference in interpretation.

Any disputes arising from these terms that cannot be resolved through negotiation shall be resolved by the Helsinki District Court. The Organizers shall also have the right to file suit in a lower court in the defendant's domicile. These terms of participation are governed by Finnish law.