House Rules

House regulations define the rights and obligations of visitors during their stay in the conference centre. The Organiser must ensure that obligations by visitors and guests are complied with.

Only visitors with valid admission tickets and guests of the organiser are allowed to visit the conference centre. Visitors must occupy the seat stated on the admission ticket for the respective event, and only use the entrances provided for it. On departure from the conference centre, admission tickets lose their validity.

All furnishings in the conference centre are to be used carefully and considerately. Within the conference centre everyone must behave so as not to cause damage or harm to anyone else or -- any more than is unavoidable in the circumstances -- impair or inconvenience anyone.

A smoking ban exists in all meeting rooms in the conference centre.

For safety reasons the closure of rooms, buildings and open areas and their evacuation can be ordered. Anyone present in the conference centre and in the grounds must immediately follow the relevant requests and leave the conference centre immediately in the case of an evacuation order being made.

Bags, receptacles brought into the centre and clothing, such as coats, jackets and cloaks can be checked as to their contents. Visitors who do not agree to control or stewarding personnel conducting inspections or seizing items which could endanger the event or other visitors will be excluded from the event. No claim for reimbursement of the admission price exists for visitors who have been expelled. According to the nature of the event, the carrying of bags and similar receptacles may be banned. There is basically an obligation to hand outer clothing in.

People who are obviously under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be excluded from the event and must leave the conference centre. The provisions of the German protection of Young Persons Act apply. Special regulations apply only if displayed on notices in the cash desk and admission areas.

The carrying of the following items is forbidden:

- weapons or dangerous items, as well as items which could lead to bodily harm if thrown
- aerosols, corrosive or colouring substances or pressurised containers of easily flammable or health-endangering gases, except for standard pocket cigarette lighters
- containers which are made from breakable or splintering materials
- fireworks, rockets, Bengal fireworks, gunpowder, flares and other pyrotechnic items
- mechanically and electrically operated alarms
- drinks and food
- animals
- drugs
- racist, xenophobic and radical propaganda material
- audio or visual recording equipment for commercial use (where no appropriate agreement from the Organiser exists)

Photography:

Protection of own image rights:

If photographs, films and/or visual recordings are taken by staff of the darmstadtium, by the Organiser or by appointed businesses in the areas of the conference centre for the purpose of media coverage or advertising, the recording activity is not to be impaired or interfered with in any way. Anyone entering the conference centre or anyone who stays there and is then recognisable on such recordings is instructed on the taking of photographs or film and video recording in the conference centre by these house rules and consents to these recordings being used for both media coverage and advertising purposes.

Noise levels at music events:

Visitors will be made aware that during the event, noise levels will be reached over a longer period of time in the public area which may give rise to permanent hearing damage. To reduce the risk of damage we particularly recommend the use of ear protection. The Organiser will supply ear protectors to visitors on request.

Bans from entering the premises:

All types of recording, in particular visual and audio recording are forbidden. Licences will only be issued in writing from WKD.