# **CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION**

# **EkoSeedForum 2014**

### 20-22 March 2014, Biocentrum of University of Life Sciences, Poznań, Poland

## CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The following conditions will govern the contractual relationship between the organizer and the participant (hereafter referred to as the "Participant") in terms of event "EkoSeedForum" further called "the event" held by EkoConnect e.V. (further called "Organizer").

By registering for the event, the participant agrees to accept in all respects and with legally binding effect these Conditions of Participation relating to participation in EkoSeedForum 2014.

#### 2. Definitions

2.1"New EU countries and Central and Eastern Europe countries" mean: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Georgia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldova, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia.

2.2 "Old EU countries and EFTA countries" mean: Austria, Denmark, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Principality of Liechtenstein, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland. Participants from all countries that are not listed above participate in the

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Biocentrum - Poznan University of Life Sciences Dojazd 11 Street

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2.4 Organizer

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# 2. EVENT DATES / OPENING HOURS

Thursday, 20 March Registration hours: 11:00-12:30 Conference programme: 12:30-18:30 Evening Get Together: 19:00-24:00 Friday, 21 March Registration hours: 7:30 - 9:00 Conference programme: 09:00-17:00 Short excursion: 17:30-19:00 Saturday, 22 March Excursion: 9:00-15:00

## 3. REGISTRATION

## 3.1 Registration process and creating of contractual obligations

Registration needs to be done online on the organizers website (or by using the PDF application form). By sending the binding registration form to the organizer the participant is obliged to pay the participation fee and accept the Terms and Conditions of Participation.

The participation fee for the conference of the  $\mathsf{EkoSeedForum}$  includes the coffee breaks.

#### 3.2 Invoice as confirmation of participation

After the organizer accepts the registration, the invoice will be sent as official confirmation of participation. The registration is binding as soon as the participant has received the invoice <u>and</u> the total amount of participation fee has been paid into the bank account of EkoConnect e.V. Participation is possible only after the participant paid the total participation fee to the organizer. The organizer reserves the right to reject applications of participants.

### 3.3 Registration deadline

All participants are kindly requested to register until the <u>25.02.2014</u>. For those who register after that date, a listing in the participants list is not possible any more.

For participants registering after the registration deadline or directly at the entrance of the venue, the organizer will charge an extra late registration fee of 20% of the regular fee (minimum +20 PLN / +5 EUR).

#### 4. CANCELLATION / REPLACEMENT

The organizer may accept a request in writing submitted by the participant for partial or full cancellation of the participation in the event. In case of full or partial cancellation of the participation in EkoSeedForum cancellation fees apply as follows:

- cancellation up to 14 calendar days prior to event date: 50% of fee will be withheld,

- cancellation less than 14 calendar days prior to event date: 100% of fee will be withheld.

The replacement of participants/companies with others is principally possible and needs to be done in writing to the organizer. Replacements after the 25<sup>th</sup> of February cannot be considered in the participants list.

#### 5. CONDITIONS OF PAYMENT

The invoice which is also the confirmation of registration, will be sent by e-mail in \*.pdf format. On special request, there is a possibility to send the invoice by postal mail. The participant bears costs for transfer transaction and banking charges. All fees must be paid without deductions. Participants will be charged VAT according to Polish law regulations.

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### 6. EXHIBITION / POSTER SESSION

During the conference (20, 21 March) participants will have a possibility to show their work results on the tables, samples of plants, fruits, cereals, etc., appliances or breeding material. Moreover, scientists and entrepreneurs can present their work on pin boards. The tables and the pin boards will be provided by the organizer and are available free of charge. Presenting material or posters is only possible with regular registration and confirmation by the organizer (see point 3). Companies who want to advertise at the event should contact the organizer for special arrangements. The organizer has the right to demand to remove exhibits that have not been approved by the organizer or cause danger or annoyance.

# 7. PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

EkoConnect collects, processes and uses personal data in compliance with its relevant statutory provisions. Personal data will be collected only to the extent necessary for organizational purposes. Unless otherwise stated, the participant agrees with his registration that his personal data (name, company, address, e-mail and website) will be given to other participants in a participants list. He also agrees in being contacted with further information about the ESeF as well as other events concerning organic farming or breeding. The organizer reserves the right to use all records (photos, audio, video) of products and persons taken during the event, for promotional reasons as well as transfer those records for use to third parties without any compensation.

## 8. HEALTH AND SAFETY

Every participant is responsible for his own health conditions and considers protecting the health and safety of all other participants. The organizer is authorised to take any action in order to protect health and safety of the participants in general.

# 9. PROTECTION / INSURANCE / GUARANTEE

The event object safety is provided by University for Life Sciences. Nevertheless, participants bear responsibility for securing their own valuables. The organizer does not bear responsibility for any accident, body injury, loss, theft or damage. The participant is liable for any damage to persons or objects caused culpably by himself, his employees, his representatives or his exhibits and equipment.

The organizer does not bear any responsibility and is protected from any claims for losses, damages or delays caused by the effect of circumstances beyond the organizer's control or force majeure.

#### **10. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

All disputes, between the parties, related to the agreement will be settled through the Economic Court in Dresden. They will come under German law and will be interpreted according to German law and the German version of these Conditions of participation.

done at 02 December, 2013