

General Terms and Conditions, Version of October 2015

Scope of Validity

The following general terms and conditions shall govern the contractual relationship between participants of training events, such as study programs, seminars, and courses (hereinafter referred to as "training events") and the International Department des Karlsruher Instituts für Technologie gGmbH or its responsible schools, e.g., the Carl Benz School of Engineering, the Karlsruhe School of Optics and Photonics, the HECTOR School of Engineering and Management and the Helmholtz International Research School for Teratronics.

Registration / Confirmation of Registration

Registrations for training events can be submitted via the online form on the website. The registration will be legally binding only after the contract has been signed by both parties or after a written confirmation of your registration by the International Department. Every legally binding registration shall be subject to these general terms and conditions which shall become part of the contract by signing it.

Payment

KSOP covers the participation fee of the training event for its active PhD members.

Cancellation

Participants may cancel their binding registration. This cancellation shall be declared in writing. While the cost of the training event is covered by the Karlsruhe School of Optics and Photonics (KSOP) it reserves the right to charge an administration fee of no less than 75,00 € for a no show or a late cancellation (less than two weeks before the start of the course) without good cause. KSOP reserves the right to request a sickness certificate in case of illness.

Cancellation by the Organizer / Modification of Program

If, contrary to all expectations, the number of registrations received is too small, the International Department shall reserve the right to cancel the event. Attendees will be informed immediately. To the extent possible and reasonable considering the circumstances, the International Department shall offer substitute events on other dates or at other event locations to the attendees of cancelled courses. If the attendee agrees, rebooking will be free of charge. If the substitute offer is not acceptable for the attendee, all fees already paid shall be reimbursed to the participant.

Any further claims, especially for reimbursement of travel and accommodation costs and lost working time, shall be excluded. If a course is cancelled at short notice, e.g. because of illness, the same rules shall apply as those for cancellation by International Department Management (see above). The International Department shall reserve the right to change the organization, teaching staff, or the course of an event without influencing the overall character of the event itself.

Right of Revocation

You may revoke in writing (e.g. letter or e-mail) your binding registration within two weeks upon registration without having to indicate reasons.

The revocation deadline shall start upon receipt of the present Terms and Conditions in text form. In the case of services, the deadline shall not start before the date of conclusion of the contract, provided that the contract is concluded electronically, and also not before fulfillment of our information obligations according to Art. 312c, paragraph 2, BGB in connection with Art. 1, paragraphs 1, 2, and 4 BGB-InfoV as well as our obligations according to Art. 312e, paragraph 1, clause 1, BGB in connection with § 3 BGB-InfoV. In order to comply with the deadline of revocation, punctual dispatch of the revocation shall be sufficient.

The revocation shall be sent to:

International Department des Karlsruher Instituts für Technologie gGmbH
Schlossplatz 19
76131 Karlsruhe, Germany

Consequences of Revocation

In case of an effective withdrawal, the benefits received by both sides and potential profits made (e.g. interests) shall be returned. Obligations to reimburse payments shall be fulfilled within 30 days. Your deadline of revocation shall start with the dispatch of your declaration of revocation, our deadline shall start upon receipt of your declaration of revocation.

Certificate of Attendance / Certification

For course participation, every participant will receive a certificate of attendance from the International Department.

Copyrights

All seminar documents (in hard copy as well as in any other conceivable form, such as video and audio material) shall be protected by a copyright. Any reproduction, transfer or other use of the seminar documents as well as of any other documents, graphics, pictures and audio material, and other information carriers provided by International Department or their representatives shall require the express approval in writing by the International Department.

Liability

The events are thoroughly prepared and held by qualified authors and instructors. International Department shall not assume any liability for the up-to-dateness, correctness, and completeness of the seminar documents, the execution of the event, and its contents. In particular, we shall not assume any liability for potential damage caused by the use or transfer of the knowledge acquired and/or provided in our courses.

Irrespective of the legal cause, the International Department shall be liable for material and financial losses, for which it is responsible, in case of intent and/or gross negligence only.

Liability for educational programmes and related social and networking events

Participants' claims for compensation against the International Department and its representatives for damages occurring related to educational programmes and related social and networking events shall be excluded except of damages caused intentionally or by gross negligence. This exclusion does not apply for negligent injuries of a participant's life, body and health.

The participant exempts the International Department and its representatives from any third party claim including legal expenses which are claimed related to conducting offered educational programme and related social and networking events.

Photographs

The participant agrees that photos taken in connection with the event may be used, distributed, and published in altered or unaltered form by the International Department and its representatives. These rights of use shall apply without restriction to certain fields, also to advertisements and editorial releases, without any time restriction. The participant shall also agree with a transfer of the rights of use.

During all events taking place within a course, the taking of photographs and/or video and audio recordings of any type by people other than those specifically appointed and explicitly authorized or assigned in writing by the International Department shall not be permitted.

Each participant shall have the right to revoke in writing his/her consent to the use of his/her photograph and/or video or audio recordings at any time.

Jurisdiction

The place of jurisdiction shall be Karlsruhe, provided that the attendee is not a natural person.

Data Protection

The International Department shall treat personal data as confidential and shall only use them in accordance with the data protection regulations. Personal data shall be stored and used for organizational purposes and for future information on offers of the International Department. Each participant shall have the right to revoke in writing his/her consent to the storage and use of his/her data at any time.