General Terms & Conditions Trade Fairs Silicon Saxony e. V.

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General terms and conditions for participation as an exhibitor at the Silicon Saxony joint stands at various trade fairs.

1. Organizer

1.1 The organizer/main booker of joint stands vis-à-vis the trade fair companies is Silicon Saxony e. V., Manfred-von-Ardenne-Ring 20 F, 01099 Dresden.

2. Implementation and exhibition management

2.1 Silicon Saxony e. V. is responsible for the technical and organizational implementation and management in accordance with the event-specific service catalog and acts in its own name when carrying out the order.

The general terms and conditions of participation for the respective trade fair/exhibition apply.

3. Eligibility to register

3.1 Companies from Germany, as well as their German and foreign branches and representative offices, are eligible to register to participate in joint company exhibitions with exhibition goods in accordance with Section 10. Membership of the Silicon Saxony network is not a prerequisite for admission as an exhibitor. Other companies that do not meet these requirements may be admitted subject to individual consultation and the prior written consent of Silicon Saxony e. V.

4. Registration and admission

4.1 Registration for participation is carried out using the online tool provided for the respective event (e.g., Pretix). The booking must be completed in full. Upon completion of the booking, the participant confirms that they have read and agree to the applicable General Terms and Conditions of Participation by actively accepting them with a click. The General Terms and Conditions of Participation apply from the time the booking is completed. When registering, it is assumed that exhibitors will correctly select the participation category that applies to them (e.g., member/non-member). However, Silicon Saxony e.V. will subsequently check the information provided and reserves the right to correct and adjust the selected category accordingly when invoicing.

Registration is possible until the registration deadline specified in the registration form, subject to the availability of exhibition space. The organizer is responsible for extending the registration deadline if the capacity of the available sub-exhibitor spaces has not yet been exhausted. Registration is considered an irrevocable and binding contractual relationship between both partners within the scope of the cancellation options.

Silicon Saxony e.V. will confirm admission to the respective event via email.

4.2 Registration does not constitute any entitlement to admission or to a specific size and location of the overall stand. Silicon Saxony e. V. is entitled, in consultation with the organizer, to reduce the total stand space in order to avert economic damage. In the case of trade fairs/exhibitions organized under the umbrella organization SEMI, mandatory contributions must be paid by members and non-members of the organization, which are levied in addition to the costs incurred by Silicon Saxony e. V. and the trade fair companies. The amount of the contributions is binding as listed in the Member Directory of the umbrella organization SEMI.

Companies that have not fulfilled their financial obligations from previous similar events may be excluded from admission.

4.3 The exhibitor will be admitted

a) if and to the extent that the available exhibition space allows,
b) if they meet the requirements of Sections 3 and 10 of these General Terms and Conditions
c) if their exhibition goods fit into the framework and concept of the joint company exhibition.

4.4 Silicon Saxony e. V. allows partial pre-selection of desired stand locations in different pricing models, which are binding for stand planning. If, after approval, stands or entrances, exits and passageways have to be relocated or changed due to unforeseeable developments on the part of the organizer or the operating company, no claims can be asserted as a result. If the exhibitor is worse off with their standard booth according to the selection form in the booking process (row booth instead of corner booth), the difference will be credited.

4.5 The exhibitor must accept that the location of the other booths may have changed at the start of the event compared to the time of approval. Claims for compensation are excluded on both sides.

Exchanging the assigned booth with another exhibitor or transferring the booth in whole or in part to third parties is not permitted without the prior consent of Silicon Saxony e. V.

4.6 Stands will be handed over to the exhibitor or its representative at a fixed time slot prior to the start of the event, as agreed with Silicon Saxony e. V. Stands that are not taken over by the exhibitor or its representative as agreed may be disposed of elsewhere without the exhibitor being able to assert any claims beyond those contained in Section 8.4.

4.7 Silicon Saxony e. V. is entitled to revoke admission if it was granted on the basis of false information or if the admission requirements on the part of the company change significantly after the conclusion of the contract.

5. Sub-exhibitors, allocation of sub-exhibitor space

5.1 The size of the stand space available to each sub-exhibitor is defined in the service catalog. Sub-exhibitors are free to share this space with other exhibitors. A processing fee of EUR 500 net is charged for each additional sub-exhibitor at a stand. If several exhibitors wish to rent

an area together, an authorized representative must be named as a direct contact to Silicon Saxony e. V. Furthermore, sub-exhibitors are free to rent several stand areas.

5.2 The maximum number of spaces per company is limited to 2. The conditions listed under points 3 and 4 apply. For a listing in the trade fair directory, each exhibitor must pay an amount defined in advance by the trade fair company as well as the respective amount corresponding to membership or non-membership in the umbrella organization.

5.3 The main exhibitor, in its function as authorized representative, shall be jointly and severally liable for its space and for any fault on the part of its principals and any vicarious agents.

6. Terms of payment

6.1 Full payment of the stand rental fee is an absolute prerequisite for participation in the event. This must be made in good time before the start of the event.

Invoicing will take place immediately upon completion of the online booking and will be sent to the billing address specified by the exhibitor. The total amount shown is due for payment within 30 days of the invoice date. If the booking is made less than 30 days prior to the contractually agreed start of the event, the total amount is due immediately in full. Any additional costs incurred or subsequently booked binding additional services that were not part of the original invoice will be charged separately to the exhibitor and are due for payment within 14 days of the invoice date.

6.2 The participation fee is paid in full, regardless of any third-party funding for trade fair participation.

6.3 Complaints about invoices can only be considered if they are submitted in writing to Silicon Saxony e. V. within 14 days of the invoice date.

6.4 If payment is not received, Silicon Saxony e. V. is entitled to withdraw from the contract. If the stand space can be used for other purposes, Section 8.4 applies. Claims for damages by Silicon Saxony e. V. remain unaffected by this.

7. Assignment, offsetting, right of retention

7.1 The assignment of claims against Silicon Saxony e. V. and offsetting of the participation fee are excluded.

A right of retention may only be exercised if it relates to claims arising from the same contractual relationship.

8. Withdrawal

8.1 Silicon Saxony e. V. is entitled to withdraw from the contract if insolvency proceedings or comparable legal proceedings are applied for or opened against the exhibitor's assets, or if the proceedings are rejected due to lack of assets. The exhibitor must inform Silicon Saxony e. V. of this immediately.

8.2 After admission, the obligation to pay the participation fee remains legally binding, even if, for example, the exhibitor's import requests are not met or not met in full by the responsible authorities, the exhibition goods do not arrive on time (e.g. due to loss, transport or customs delays) or not at all, or if entry visas for the exhibitor or its representatives are not available in time.

8.3 Once the contract has been concluded, the exhibitor is not permitted to withdraw from or reduce the stand space. Furthermore, point 6.2 also applies in the event of non-participation.

8.4 If measures are imposed at federal or state level during the event period that make it impossible to hold the event/trade fair, the contract is subject to the condition subsequent that the event/trade fair would be prohibited one month before its contractually agreed start date due to government measures.

The decisive factor is the prohibition of any events/trade fairs on the above-mentioned date; it is irrelevant whether the event can be held on the agreed date [example: the condition subsequent occurs if an event planned for October 1, 2020, cannot take place due to a general ruling on September 1, 2020].

In the event of termination of the contract due to the occurrence of the above condition, Silicon Saxony e. V. shall receive 10% of the agreed remuneration as a processing fee.

8.5 After the end of the registration period, 100% free cancellation is no longer possible.

If the exhibitor cancels their participation or waives the use of the stand space allocated to them, they shall pay the following percentage of the agreed total amount, provided that the space or stand construction cannot be rented out otherwise:

10% in the event of a cancellation after the end of the registration period, provided this is more than 160 days prior to the start of the event/trade fair
25% in the event of a cancellation from 160 days up to 100 days prior to the start of the event/trade fair
50% in the event of a cancellation from 99 days up to 50 days prior to the start of the event/trade fair
75% in the event of a cancellation from 49 days up to 22 days prior to the start of the event/trade fair
100% in the event of a cancellation from 21 days prior to or up until the start of the event/trade fair

Even in the event of a successful re-rental, the exhibitor is obliged to pay a processing fee in the amount of 10% of the agreed total amount.

Silicon Saxony e. V. will make every effort, but is not obligated, to rent the space to another party in order to avoid loss payments for the exhibitor.

The exhibitor is expressly permitted to prove that Silicon Saxony e.V. has incurred no damage or only minor damage.

8.6 Any justified withdrawal by the exhibitor or waiver of the allocated stand space must be communicated to the contractual partner in writing and shall only become effective after confirmation of receipt by Silicon Saxony e. V.

9. Booth equipment, design, and labeling

9.1 The booth will be designed by Silicon Saxony e. V. in accordance with the corporate design. Within the agreed booth space, the exhibitor will have the opportunity to use their own corporate design on the existing sub-exhibitor graphic area (provided this is feasible in terms of booth planning). Silicon Saxony e. V. will commission a graphics partner for this implementation, who will act as the contact person for the exhibitor. This graphics partner must be used for the stand design.

9.2 The exhibitor is responsible for the equipment and individual design of the stand area beyond this. Local building and exhibition regulations apply here. The exhibitor is obliged to coordinate their design measures with Silicon Saxony e. V. and to obtain any necessary furniture from the stand builder's repertoire.

Any stand design that does not comply with the building regulations/exhibition regulations applicable at the venue may be removed or altered at the exhibitor's expense.

In addition, any technical equipment used at the trade fair or exhibition must be tested in advance and have a current, valid safety seal (e.g., according to VDE or comparable standards). The exhibitor is responsible for compliance with these safety requirements.

10. Exhibition goods, stand personnel, protection against competition, direct sales

10.1 All exhibition goods must be listed individually in the registration form with their exact description. Media requirements (separate water connection, additional power requirements) must also be specified. Flammable, strong-smelling, or noisy exhibits may only be displayed with the prior consent of the trade fair company. Exhibits may not be removed during the duration of the event.

10.2 The exhibitor is obliged to ensure that the stand is manned by at least one competent person during the specified opening hours for the entire duration of the event. Periods of absence must be reported to the permanent representative of Silicon Saxony e. V.

10.3 There is no entitlement to protection from competitors.

10.4 Direct sales are not permitted unless expressly authorized. In the latter case, the exhibition goods must be marked with clearly legible price tags. In particular, the exhibitor must obtain and comply with commercial and health regulations.

11. Transport, installation, and dismantling of exhibition goods and stand equipment

11.1 The transport of exhibition goods, storage of empty containers, use of lifting and conveyor equipment, deployment of personnel for packing and unpacking, installation and

dismantling of exhibition goods, repackaging, and other related activities are the sole responsibility of the exhibitor. All associated costs shall be borne by the exhibitor.

The subcontractor commissioned is liable for any damage incurred. Silicon Saxony e. V. is excluded from liability.

12. Image and sound recordings

12.1 Silicon Saxony e. V. is entitled to have photographs, drawings, film and video recordings made of the exhibition, the exhibition structures and stands, and the exhibition objects, and to use them for advertising or press publications. If the exhibitor does not agree to this, they may express their disagreement in advance of the trade fair. This also applies to press or television recordings with the consent of Silicon Saxony e. V.

12.2 Press conferences or audio recordings on the exhibition area initiated by the exhibitor themselves must be notified to Silicon Saxony e. V. in advance.

13. Data protection provisions

13.1 The exhibitor agrees that Silicon Saxony e. V. may store, process, or forward personal data in accordance with the DSGVO using automated data processing for business purposes, provided this is necessary for the purposes of the exhibition or there is another legitimate interest. Other legitimate interests also include the acquisition of new customers for trade fair participation in the following year.

14. Insurance and liability

14.1 The exhibitor is responsible for insuring the exhibited goods against all risks during transport and during the event, in particular against damage, theft, etc. The exhibitor is liable in accordance with the statutory provisions. It is recommended that exhibitors purchase insurance.

14.2 The exhibitor is liable for all damage caused to third parties as a result of their participation in the exhibition, including damage to buildings on the exhibition grounds, the exhibition grounds themselves, and their facilities.

14.3 Silicon Saxony e. V. is fully liable for damages caused by intentional or seriously negligent conduct on the part of its legal representatives or executive employees, which were caused by simple vicarious agents through gross negligence and which were not caused by gross negligence or intentional conduct in the event of any breach of essential contractual obligations. Liability is limited to the amount of damages that can typically be expected to occur in contracts of this type.

14.4 The limitations of liability in Section 14.3 do not apply to liability for the absence of warranted characteristics, liability under the Product Liability Act, or liability for injury to life, limb, or health.

15. Circulating letters

15.1 After the stand areas have been allocated, exhibitors will be informed about issues relating to the preparation and implementation of the joint exhibition by means of electronic circular letters. All relevant information on preparation and implementation is also available on the relevant event websites and in the FAQ section. Exhibitors are obliged to regularly check these sources for the latest information and guidelines.

The exhibitor is solely responsible for any consequences arising from failure to observe these circular letters.

16. Reservation

16.1 Regulations and guidelines of the competent authorities of the host country that deviate from these conditions of participation or impose additional restrictions take precedence at all times.

16.2 The organizer of the participation is entitled to postpone, shorten, extend, or cancel the participation, as well as to close it temporarily or permanently, in whole or in part, if events of force majeure or other unforeseeable events for which Silicon Saxony e. V. is not responsible require such a measure. In this case, the exhibitor has the right to withdraw from the contract; further claims are excluded.

16.3 In the event of cancellation of the event or official participation in the event for reasons beyond the control of Silicon Saxony e. V., Silicon Saxony e. V. is not liable for any damages or other disadvantages resulting from this for the exhibitor.

16.4 At the request of the organizer of the participation, the exhibitor is obliged to bear a reasonable share of the costs incurred in preparing the event. The amount of the quota to be paid by each exhibitor shall be determined after consultation with the economic organizations concerned and Silicon Saxony e. V.

17. Final provisions

17.1 Deviations from the content of this contract and ancillary agreements are only legally binding if they have been confirmed in written form by Silicon Saxony e. V.

17.2 The mutual rights and obligations arising from this contractual relationship are subject to the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany.

17.3 The place of performance is Dresden. If the defendant is a merchant or a legal entity under public law, or if the defendant has no general place of jurisdiction in Germany, the place of jurisdiction is Dresden or the defendant's general place of jurisdiction, at the plaintiff's discretion.

17.4 Claims by the exhibitor against Silicon Saxony e.V. become statute-barred after 6 months, unless mandatory statutory provisions dictate otherwise.

17.5 Should one of the above provisions be or become invalid, this will not affect the validity of the remaining provisions. The parties are obliged to replace the invalid provision with one that corresponds to the purpose of the invalid provision in a permissible manner or comes as close as possible to it.

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