

Contract for participating at the ,International Conference on Non-Target Screening (ICNTS21)‘ (The German version is legally binding)

I. Registration Agreement, Registration Process and Payment Methods

1. This participation contract is aimed at both consumers and entrepreneurs.

A consumer is any natural person who concludes a legal transaction for purposes that are predominantly neither commercial nor self-employed.

An entrepreneur is a natural or legal person or a legal partnership who, when concluding a legal transaction, acts in the exercise of their commercial or independent professional activity.

The following applies to entrepreneurs: If the entrepreneur uses conflicting or supplementary general terms and conditions, their validity is hereby contradicted; they only become part of the contract if we have expressly consented to this.

2. By registering for and/or attending the “ICNTS21” conference, all participants, speakers and sponsors agree to be bound by, and comply with, these contract with terms and conditions. It is the participant's responsibility to read and understand these contract with terms and conditions.

3. Registrants (participants and speakers) will be able to select the registration fee for the on-site participation (4th-7th October 2021) in Erding/Germany with **€ 575.- (incl. VAT)** or the registration fee for the online participation (4th-7th October 2021) with **€ 360.- (incl. VAT)**. The on-site registration is possible until 1st September 2021, 23:59 GMT, the online registration until 21st September 2021, 23:59 GMT.

4. Registrations entered before 15th June, 2021 23:59 GMT will be considered ‘early bird registration’. The early bird registration fee is **€ 475.- (incl. VAT)** for the on-site participation (4th-7th October 2021) in Erding/Germany with or the registration fee for the online participation (4th-7th October 2021) with **€ 300.- (incl. VAT)**.

5. Students with verification documents, who contribute with a poster presentation will receive a 5% discount on the (regular or ‘early bird’) registration fee.

6. Participation fee for the conference dinner can be booked separately for **€ 55.- (incl. VAT)**. Further catering during the conference time is included in the on-site registration fee.

7. Participants via partner institutions are regulated like described in the relevant contract of the partner with AFIN-TS GmbH.

8. Registration information will be sent from AFIN-TS GmbH to registered delegates by email. If you have not received registration details within two weeks, please email education@afin-ts.de.

9. Each ‘online viewing’ participant has to register individually (also the persons who want to have the talks and discussion later ‘on-demand’).

10. An invoice will be sent to the participants latest until 1st August, 2021. We will not send a confirmation of payment. If the full payment has not been received before the deadline indicated at the invoice, the registration will remain valid, however the due fee will be increased according to the payment period (e.g. the late registration fee).

This is not true for participants via partner institutions. These will be accepted like described in the regarding partner contract.

11. Payment of on-site registration is not possible. Cash will not be accepted.
12. All tickets must be paid for at least 48 hours prior to the event start date. Any overdue invoices for conference tickets may result in delegates being refused entry.
13. Registrants should obtain confirmation from the Conference Office of AFIN-TS GmbH before committing to other travel arrangements.
14. Accommodation and travel costs are not included in the conference registration fee. Attendees are responsible for making their own lodging arrangements.
15. On-site capacity is limited regarding to the local (and legal) hygienic concept. Capacity number is subject to change without prior notice. Online capacity is unlimited so far.
16. The persons participating on-site are obliged to behave in accordance with the hygiene concept applicable on site and to follow the instructions of the organizations. The organizers reserve the right to ban the relevant persons (directly or after a warning) in the event of non-compliance. In this case, the registration costs cannot be reimbursed.
17. The conference organizers cannot guarantee that all participants can participate on-site, thus the speakers and presenters are favored to be on-site and other participants may be changed from an 'on-site participant' to an 'online participant' in case of hazardous corona conditions and stringent rules in short term public regulations. The participants will be informed immediately and the registration fee will then consequently be changed from 'on-site fee' to 'online fee'.
No further (especially Hotel and travel) costs can be refunded by the organizer.
18. All conference materials will be distributed on-site. If the maximum delegate capacity is reached and for on-line participants, the conference organizers reserve the right to offer electronical online material and flyer.
19. Our contractual and non-contractual liability is limited to intent and gross negligence, unless it is a breach of an essential contractual obligation or injury to life, limb or health. The same applies to the liability of our agents. Liability under the Product Liability Act, pre-contractual liability and liability for guarantee statements remain unaffected.
20. All content, photos, texts and graphics are protected by copyright. They may not be copied, changed, reproduced or published in whole or in part without prior written consent. The participants / speakers ensure that they observe copyright law in presentations and adhere to the provisions of the Copyright Act (UrhG). We expressly point out the consequences under civil and criminal law in the event of a violation.

II. Cancellation Policy

1. All substitutions and cancellations must be received in writing to education@afin-ts.de
2. Delegated may nominate an alternative person from their organization to attend up to 48 hours prior to the start of the event. There after no more change is possible. Notify the change of name (and e-mail address) to education@afin-ts.de at the earliest convenience. The change of name will be confirmed by email notification.
3. Should substitution not be possible, cancellation charges apply as follows for the on-site participation:

- up to 10 weeks before the start of the event: free of charge (+ € 10.- (plus VAT) processing fee)
- 3 to 10 weeks prior to start of event: 25% of the delegate fee
- 3 weeks or less prior to start of event: 100% of the delegate fee

Should substitution not be possible, cancellation charges apply as follows for the online participation:

- up to 10 weeks before the start of the event: free of charge (+ € 10.- (plus VAT) processing fee)
- 1 to 10 weeks prior to start of event: 25% of the delegate fee
- 1 week or less prior to start of event: 100% of the delegate fee

4. The date of the email receipt will be the basis for considering refunds. Please indicate your bank details on your written cancellation. Refunds will be made after the conference within two months.

5. AFIN-TS GmbH reserves the right to cancel the event up to four weeks before the planned start. In this case, registration fees received will be fully reimbursed. AFIN-TS GmbH will be not liable for any further damage caused by the cancellation.

6. In the event of fire, flood, power breakdown or without limit other causes that AFIN-TS GmbH reasonably believes to be substantial or that are beyond AFIN-TS GmbH control, AFIN-TS GmbH reserves the right to change the times, dates and the venue of the conference, without incurring any liability to the participants. For the rest, reference is made to section I) No. 19.

7. The participant by accepting these terms and conditions hereby indemnifies AFIN-TS GmbH and its organizers and agents against and holds it harmless from all or any loss or damage, injury, actions, proceedings or claims arising from any act or omission of the participant during the course of the conference.

8. No refunds will be granted for unattended events or early termination of attendance, in case of cancellation of speakers, lack of space in the conference room or any other incidents during the conference, which are beyond the control of the conference organizers.

III. Conference Program

1. AFIN-TS GmbH reserves the right to make alterations to the conference program, venue, online program, online/seminar software and timings at any time.

2. In the unlikely event of the program being cancelled by AFIN-TS GmbH, a full refund will be made, unless the cancellation is due to, but not limited to activity out of their control e.g. the threat of natural disaster, terrorist activity, unrest in the region and/or pandemic lockdowns. Liability will be limited to the amount of the fee paid by the delegate.

3. The conference organizers reserve the right to modify the program at every time.

IV. Accomodation

1. For 'ICNTS 21' the AFIN-TS GmbH will provisionally request a number of rooms to be set aside for participants until August 15th, 2021

2. A List of hotels can be found here: <https://afin-ts.de/gc-meets-nts/>

3. The participant must contact the hotel directly if s/he wishes to make a definitive reservation; when doing so, s/he should indicate the event that s/he will attend. AFIN-TS GmbH assumes no responsibility for the reservation of accommodation.

4. The participant is responsible to organize a cancellation option for the room in the regarding Hotel - in case of an 'on-site participation' change by the organizer into an 'online participation'. The organizer can not refund any Hotel fees.

5. The participant is responsible to organize a cancellation option for the individual arrival and destination - in case of an 'on-site participation' change by the organizer into an 'online participation'. The organizer cannot refund any travel costs.

V. Personal Information

1. The participant knows and agrees that the personal data required for the implementation of the event will be stored on electronic data carriers by the organizer AFIN-TS GmbH. The participant expressly consents to the collection, processing and use of personal data. The stored personal data will be treated confidentially by the organizer AFIN-TS GmbH.

The collection, processing and use of the participant's personal data takes place in compliance with the Federal Data Protection Act (BDSG) and the Telemedia Act (TMG). The participant has the right to revoke their consent at any time with effect for the future. In this case, the organizer AFIN-TS GmbH is obliged to delete the participant's personal data immediately.

2. The name, email address and country name will also be used to circulate last minute details and announcements of future AFIN-TS GmbH events and will be forwarded to the official sponsors. If you do not like to receive this information please notify the organizers by email (education@afin-ts.de). Further see section V. 1.

3. If you would like your record to be deleted after the conference, please notify the organizers by email (education@afin-ts.de).

VI. First-provided Internet Access

The following uses of AFIN-TS GmbH-provided Internet access (in the city hall) are not permitted:

1. To violate any local, state, or federal statute;
2. To vandalize, damage, or disable the property of another individual or organization;
3. To access another individual's materials, information, or files without permission;
4. To use scanning or hacking exploit tools on public networks; and,
5. To violate copyright or otherwise use the intellectual property of another individual or organization without permission.

VII. Speakers Terms & Conditions

1. AFIN-TS GmbH may use the speaker's name and presentation materials for promoting delegate attendance at the conference.

2. Presentations and papers including all associated artwork and illustrations will not be returned unless specifically requested by the author.

3. AFIN-TS GmbH will record audio and/or video record the speaker's session as well as the platform discussion of each section and the recordings may be used in following the event for delegates or those who were unable to attend to review or replay. These records will be available longest two months for the participants.

4. AFIN-TS GmbH may reproduce copies of the speaker's presentation and the platform discussion (e.g. PowerPoint slides or supporting handouts) on paper and/or electronically following the event for delegates or those who were unable to attend to review or for viewing talks at other time and producing 'on-demand content'. Any acknowledgement regarding Copyright or support should be included at the end of the abstract/presentation, as these will be distributed to the conference participant.

5. Any speaker who does not wish to give permission for the above terms and conditions, is required to put this in writing to education@afin-ts.de before the start of the conference.

6. A registration of all speakers is mandatory.

7. This, the following data protection declaration (in the appendix), was read and understood. The participant agrees to the transfer and use of personal data to the contractual extent.

Please fill in the attached data protection regulation correctly and have it signed by you and sent to the organizer at the latest at the beginning of your participation.

VIII. Other legal provisions

1. Should individual provisions of these general terms and conditions be invalid, this shall have no effect on the validity of the remaining provisions.

2. The AFIN-TS GmbH cannot assume liability for incorrect information or other errors resulting from technical problems or other reasons beyond its control.

The contractual relationship between the parties shall be interpreted, construed and governed by the laws of Germany.

As far as legally possible, both parties hereby submit to the jurisdiction of the Courts of Augsburg.

IX. Right of withdrawal

If you are a consumer (i.e. a natural person who concludes the contract for a purpose that cannot be attributed to your commercial or independent professional activity), you have a right of withdrawal in accordance with the statutory provisions.

The regulations that are detailed in the following apply to the right of withdrawal

Right of withdrawal

You have the right to withdraw from this contract within fourteen days without giving any reason.

The cancellation period is fourteen days from the day on which you or a third party named by you, who is not the carrier, has or has taken possession of the goods.

In order to exercise your right of withdrawal, you must give us [name of the entrepreneur, address and, if available, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address] by means of a clear declaration (e.g. a letter sent by post, fax or e-mail) of your decision to revoke this contract. You can use the attached model withdrawal form for this purpose, but this is not mandatory. You can also electronically fill out and submit the model withdrawal form or another clear declaration on our website (insert

Internet address). If you make use of this option, we will send you a confirmation of receipt of such a revocation immediately (e.g. by email).

To meet the cancellation deadline, it is sufficient for you to send your notification of exercising your right of cancellation before the cancellation period has expired.

Consequences of withdrawal

If you withdraw from this contract, we will have given you all payments that we have received from you, including delivery costs (with the exception of the additional costs that result from choosing a different type of delivery than the cheapest standard delivery we offer have), to be repaid immediately and at the latest within fourteen days from the day on which we received notification of your cancellation of this contract. For this repayment, we will use the same means of payment that you used for the original transaction, unless something else was expressly agreed with you; In no case will you be charged any fees for this repayment. We can refuse repayment until we have received the goods back or until you have provided evidence that you have sent the goods back, whichever is earlier.

You have the goods immediately and in any case no later than fourteen days from the date on which you informed us of the cancellation of this contract to us or to (this may include the name and address of the person authorized by you to receive the goods to be sent back or handed over. The deadline is met if you send the goods before the period of fourteen days has expired.