Conditions of participation for the event

Research Symposium SafeND

### **Organizer:**

Federal Republic of Germany, represented by the Federal Minister of the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, who is represented by the President of the Federal Office for the Safety of Nuclear Waste Management, Wegelystraße 8, D-10623 Berlin, Germany

#### **Event date:**

10-12 November 2021

### 1. Aim of the research symposium SafeND

The aim of the Research Symposium SafeND is to create a platform for scientific discussion and the presentation of current research results. To this end, scientists shall present the results of their scientific work in connection with nuclear waste management and put them up for discussion. This shall facilitate a comprehensive disciplinary focus as well as an interdisciplinary exchange.

For this purpose, the organizer will provide the limited possibility of participation on site as well as the possibility of participation via an online event platform.

#### 2. Registration

Prior registration is required for participation in the SafeND Research Symposium. The registration declaration is binding for the participants. When registering, participants must indicate whether they wish to participate in the on-site event or exclusively via the online platform.

The registration shall be considered accepted once it has been confirmed by the organizer.

The organizer reserves the right to convert registrations for the on-site event to online participation if the capacities on-site are exceeded. In this case, the participants can declare their agreement to the changed registration within one week. If participants do not declare their agreement, no registration shall take place. Silence shall not be considered as consent.

Participants who will contribute to the SafeND research symposium will be given priority in the allocation of places for the on-site event. Otherwise, the date of receipt of the registration shall be decisive.

# 3. Participation fee / contribution towards expenses

The participation fee for attending the SafeND Research Symposium shall be 60.00€. An additional catering fee of 72.00 Euro shall be charged for participation in the on-site event.

## 4. Scope of services

The participation fee shall cover participation in the event, access to the online event platform as well as event documents and – in the case of on-site event attendance with the associated flat-rate catering fee having been paid - food and drinks during the coffee and lunch breaks. For participation in the on-site event, payment of the flat-rate catering fee shall be obligatory.

#### 5. Payment

The participation fee shall be due for payment upon receipt of the invoice, up to seven days before the start of the event. Payment must be made to the Deutsche Bundesbank account specified on the invoice, quoting the cash reference number stated on the invoice.

### 6 Withdrawal / Cancellation of Registration

There shall be no legal right of withdrawal unless the participants take part in the event as consumers in the sense of section 13 BGB (German Civil Code). There is no right to withdraw from the contract.

An exception shall be made for participants who have applied for exemption from the conference fees. If the conference fee is not waived after examination by the organizer, these participants may withdraw from their contract within 7 days after receiving notification that the waiver was not granted.

Should participants be prevented from attending the on-site event due to a corona infection, these participants shall have the right to cancel their participation in the on-site event by November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021. In this case, the catering fee of 72.00€ shall be reimbursed. Appropriate proof in the form of a PCR test or an official quarantine order must be provided to obtain reimbursement for the catering fee.

## 7. Cancellation by the organizer / change of program

The event may be cancelled for good cause, e.g. if the number of participants is too low, if the venue is closed or in case of force majeure. In case of an insufficient number of participants, the cancellation will be made no later than two weeks before the start of the event. In all other cases of cancellation for good cause and in cases of necessary changes to the program, the organizer will inform the participants as early as possible.

If, in exceptional cases, the event must be cancelled, the participation fee shall be refunded to the participants. Should the event have to be held entirely as an online event, the catering flat rate shall be refunded to the participants.

### 8. Hygiene concept

The organizer shall regularly update the hygiene concept based on the applicable regulations and shall do everything in its power to ensure that participants can take part in the SafeND research symposium safely and as comfortably as possible. Should official regulations require participants to comply with infection control measures (e.g., mandatory use of masks, fixed seating assignments, or submission of proof of a negative test result, complete vaccination coverage, or a history of illness), the organizer shall notify the participants of these measures in good time before the start of the SafeND research symposium. By registering, participants agree to comply with the regulations in force on the day of the event and the hygiene concept developed by the organizer for this purpose. There is no special right to cancel based on valid regulations.

It is currently intended to hold the on-site event according to the 2G regulation (meaning participants must either be vaccinated or recovered).

## 9. Accessibility of the online event platform

The online event platform with the option of live participation shall be available for the duration of the mentioned event period. The participants shall be responsible for creating the necessary conditions to use the online event platform, in particular a connection to the Internet, the use of an up-to-date internet browser, functioning loudspeakers and a microphone. The organizer shall assume no liability and shall not guarantee that the SafeND research symposium can be carried out properly within the specific hardware and software environment of the digital medium used by the participants (PC, tablet, smartphone).

We cannot guarantee a 100% accessibility of the online event platform for the entire duration of the Research Symposium SafeND.

# 10. Rights of use

Participants and presenters shall grant the organizer an exclusive right of use to their presentation materials and documents provided, without themselves being excluded from use (reservation of use by the copyright holder). The participants and presenters shall agree to the transfer of a simple right of use to the other participants of the Research Symposium SafeND. The participants and presenters shall guarantee that they are entitled to transfer the exclusive rights of use. They shall indemnify the organizer from liability in the event of a claim by third parties due to an infringement of rights of use.

The organizer shall thus be the owner of all rights of use of all content that can be accessed within the framework of the SafeND research symposium, in particular texts, videos, and downloadable documents. Participants shall be granted a simple, non-exclusive right of use for the available content of the Research Symposium SafeND. Participants shall be prohibited from reproducing, copying, distributing, publicly reproducing, or otherwise processing the texts, videos, or other content in any form, including for the purpose of teaching, without the prior written permission of the organizer or the respective copyright holder. Participants must ensure that the content is not passed on to third parties. Participants shall be permitted to save the downloadable content on a local hard drive for their own use and to print it out. Storage of the media on a network hard drive or similar online service (cloud) shall not permitted.

# 11 Responsibility for contents provided by the participants

The organizer shall assume no responsibility for the accuracy of the content provided by the participants. The respective participants who provide the content shall be solely responsible for the content.

# 12. Exclusion of liability

Participants' claims for damages against the organizer shall be excluded, especially in case of failure of the online event platform or the internet access on the part of the organizer. Excluded from this shall be claims for damage compensation arising from injury to life, limb or health or from the breach of essential contractual obligations (cardinal obligations) as well as liability for other damages based on an intentional or grossly negligent breach of duty on the part of the organizer, its legal representatives or agents. Essential contractual obligations shall be those whose fulfillment is necessary to achieve the goal of the contract.

In the event of a breach of material contractual obligations, the organizer shall only be liable for the foreseeable damage typical of the contract if such damage was caused by simple negligence, unless the participant's claims for damages are based on injury to life, body, or health.

The above restrictions shall also apply in favor of the legal representatives and agents of the organizer if claims are asserted directly against them.

# 13. Selection of legal form, place of performance, place of jurisdiction

These conditions of participation are subject to German law. The place of performance and jurisdiction shall be Berlin, Germany.