

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS Definitions

K.I.T. Group, Professional Congress Organizer (PCO,) is the official housing company of the ESMO Congress 2025, to be held in Berlin, Germany, from 17 to 21 October 2025 at Messe Berlin. The official housing company leads the hotel accommodation and is hereinafter referred to as K.I.T. Group. ESMO is a Swiss-registered not-for-profit organisation (www.esmo.org).

Terms and Conditions for Hotel Bookings Reservation

Hotel accommodation is subject to availability and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

All rates listed are per room and night in EURO (€) and include breakfast and the applicable city tax. The room rates are subject to special VAT rules for travel services, Art. 306 EC VAT Directive.

Telephone reservations will not be accepted. All reservations must be made using the official online booking form. As long as bank transfer is permitted, the booking will only be confirmed upon receipt of the full payment. If credit card payment is chosen, full credit card details must be provided to finish and confirm the hotel booking.

Should the selected hotels be sold out, K.I.T. Group reserves the right to book a hotel in a similar category and price range. Should you plan to arrive at your hotel after 18:00 please inform K.I.T. Group accordingly.

Please contact K.I.T. Group at esmo2025@kit-group.org for bookings of 10 rooms or more, as they will be handled separately.

Payment

K.I.T. Group will charge the full balance due for the entire stay at the time of room reservation.

Delegates have the option to choose their preferred method of payment (bank transfer or credit card payment) until **12 June 2025**. If **payment by bank transfer** is selected, a payment order will be sent to the requesting delegate by email. The full balance due for the entire stay must be transferred within 2 weeks of receiving the payment order. Unpaid reservations will be cancelled after this 2-week period. The delegate is responsible for ensuring that all bank fees are covered by the paying party.

For **credit card** payments, K.I.T. Group will charge the full balance due for the entire stay at the time of room reservation. A 3.5% handling fee will be automatically added to the accommodation amount due. This fee will not appear on your accommodation invoice. A payment receipt will be sent to you upon request. Paid handling fees are not refundable in case of cancellation or reduction of the block.

After 12 June 2025 only credit card payments are accepted.

Confirmation and Invoice

Confirmation of the hotel booking and an accommodation invoice will be sent after the conclusion of the congress.

Changes and Cancellations

All changes and cancellations must be sent in writing (fax, letter or email) to K.I.T. Group.

Please note that hotels will not accept any changes or cancellations directly.

- For cancellations received before 12 May 2025, the non-refundable deposit of 35,00 EUR will be retained by K.I.T. Group.
- For cancellations received between 12 May 2025 and 11 July 2025, an amount corresponding to one night of the accommodation cost will be retained by K.I.T. Group.
- For cancellations received **after 11 July 2025**, **no refunds will be possible**. After this date, the full value of the reservation indicated on the hotel reservation form will be charged.

For reductions in the length of stay after the given deadline or in case of a no-show, no refunds will be made. The entire number of nights booked on the hotel booking form and confirmed by K.I.T. Group will be charged. No-shows will be released at 09.00 the following day, and the accommodation will not be refunded.

Cancellation of the Conference due to Force Majeure

In the event that the conference cannot be held or is postponed due to events beyond K.I.T. Group' control (force majeure) or due to events that are not attributable to wrongful intent or gross negligence of the conference organizers, the conference organizers cannot be held liable by attendees for any damages, costs, or losses incurred, such as transportation costs, accommodation costs, financial losses, etc.







Refund Policy

Payments already made with K.I.T. Group for this event can only be refunded under the mandatory condition that K.I.T. Group has received the full refund from the hotel for all advance payments, deposits and/or other payments previously made in execution of this contract. Refunds will only be made after the final invoice has been issued.

Regulations of Hotel Partners

Guests are obliged to follow the hygiene regulations of the hotel partner. In compliance with the applicable hygiene regulations, we reserve the right to pass on your contact details to your booked hotel.

Data Protection

1. Processing of Credit Card Details

When you book your hotel accommodation you will be asked to complete the online form providing your full name, address, email address and telephone number. The collected information is required to process, book and complete your booking (including the sending of a confirmation email of the booking to you).

Should you choose to make the payment for your booking by credit card, your credit card details (i.e. credit card type and number, CVC code, expiration date, credit card holder name) will also be collected.

All data will be saved and processed in compliance with the applicable data protection legislation.

In order to protect and safeguard the personal data provided to K.I.T. Group, appropriate business systems and procedures have been implemented and are in full operation. For example, credit card information is transmitted through a secure server protocol, which encrypts all personal and credit card details. The encryption method used is the industry standard "Transport Layer Security (TLS)" technology. The TLS certificate for K.I.T. Group and all its subsidiaries has been issued by utn.usertrust.com

Furthermore, security procedures and technical and physical restrictions for accessing and using personal information have been implemented and are in full operation. Only authorized personnel are permitted to access personal information for performing their duties in respect of the requested services.

The server and network of K.I.T. Group and all its subsidiaries are protected by firewalls against unauthorized access. Intrusion detection systems that monitor and detect unauthorized attempts to access or misuse our servers are installed and in full operation. Your credit card details will be kept by K.I.T. Group for up to three months after the end of the Conference.

2. Sharing of Contact Details

The acquisition, handling (which includes saving data, changes, transmission, blocking and erasing) and utilisation of all personal data is executed by K.I.T. Group within the applicable guidelines of the effective German data protection regulations / European General Data Protection Regulation.

K.I.T. Group will collect and store all data for the preparation and execution of ESMO 2025. In addition, K.I.T Group and its subsidiaries periodically share contact details of attendees with third parties (e.g. industry companies) that may use these details to contact attendees regarding activities at the Conference or other communications which may be of interest. Therefore, data might be passed on to third parties (e.g. industry companies) unless otherwise explicitly indicated by the attendee. Your complete contact details will only be forwarded if:

- your explicit consent is given, or
- a third party has proven to K.I.T. Group that you have violated the rights of this third party and thus demands the disclosure of your data as long as your interests, fundamental rights and basic freedoms are not outweighed, which is required by the protection of your personal data, or
- K.I.T. Group is obliged to give out your data due to, for example, a court order or an official order.

In case of data protection inquiries please contact the data protection official of K.I.T. Group and its subsidiaries by email security@kit-group.org.

Liability

K.I.T. Group shall be held liable in the framework of a duty of care as a respectable businessman according to statutory provisions. The liability of the conference organiser - for whatever legal reason - shall be limited to intent and gross negligence. The liability of commissioned service providers shall remain unaffected by this. The attendee shall take part in the conference at his/her own risk. Oral agreements shall not be binding if these have not been confirmed in writing by the conference organizer.

Fulfilment and Jurisdiction

This contract is subject to the law of Berlin, Germany. The terms of this contract shall be fulfilled in Berlin, Germany and in the event of any legal claims arising from either party, Berlin, Germany shall be the sole court of jurisdiction.





Severability Clause

If there is a determination of these Terms and Conditions to be ineffective or impracticable, then the validity of the Terms and Conditions remaining are not impaired. The parties are obligated to cooperate in order to replace the ineffective or impracticable clause by an effective or feasible clause, which results in the ineffective or impracticable clause being closed.

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