



# NBC 2012 Exhibition

## Rules and Conditions

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### 1. Definitions

- a. The “Association for Protection, Rescue, Security and Safety” (Suojelu, pelastus ja turvallisuus ry) is the organising party of the Exhibition at the NBC 2012 symposium.
- b. These rules and conditions are an integral part of the agreement between the Organisers and the Exhibitor and these are governed by the laws interpretation arbitration and settlement in a Finnish Court of Justice.
- c. Once application for participation has been made and participation is accepted by the Organisers, these present rules and regulations will be in force.
- d. Organisers reserve the inalienable right to modify, amend, add to and/or interpret these rules and regulations such that they do not operate to significantly diminish the right reserved for the Exhibitors, nor so operate as to increase the liabilities of the Organisers.
- e. Detailed memoranda and instructions to Exhibitors issued by the Organisers from time to time are all to be considered supplementary to and not replacing these rules and regulations.

### 2. Application, contract, payment

- a. An application for space is fully deemed here a conclusive evidence of the applicants agreement to pay the dues and charges specified, and once participation has been accepted the now parties (Organiser and the Exhibitor) would be considered to have entered into a binding contractual agreement and accepting these rules and regulations.
- b. Failing to comply with any payment would allow the Organisers to reserve the right to take any step deemed fine in the interest of the exhibition as a whole. Exhibitors cannot claim any right granted to any Exhibitor with this contract, without having paid the amount of the contract of participation due.
- c. After participation has been confirmed, withdrawals from the exhibition are not possible without the decision of the Organising Committee, and would entail full liabilities on the Exhibitor to complete the payment as agreed on the reserve.
- d. Organisers reserve the absolute right to refuse participation of any applicant without having to assess any reasons. In such cases the total deposit money sent with the application would be immediately refunded.

### **3. Exhibits, Stands, Build-up, etc.**

- a. Exhibitors would be provided within the agreed fees a shell scheme as provided on maps and designs by the Organisers. These cannot be changed, altered or damaged by the occupying Exhibitor without a written consent of the Organisers. The stands should be left in the same condition as provided. Stand interiors are the responsibility of the Exhibitors.
- b. The stand interior must not be disturbing and/or detrimental to other Exhibitors or to the exhibition as a whole. Electrical or other mechanical apparatus must be at such volume that noise does not interfere with other Exhibitors. Character of the exhibits is subject to approval by the Organisers. This applies to, for example, discount offers, display literature, advertising novelties, souvenirs, conduct of persons, contests, lotteries, raffles or games of chance, the distribution of shopping bags, containers or other items not regularly manufactured by the Exhibitor. Inspections of the exhibits will be made during set-up time and an effort made to advise the Exhibitor if any deviation from the exhibit rules and the character of the symposium is noted.
- c. No exhibit will be permitted to span an aisle by roofing or floor covering. No decorations or signage shall be placed in or on the building walls and ceilings by nails, tacks, screws, wire or adhesive tape without approval of the Organisers.
- d. The damage given to the stand equipment and/or to the exhibition grounds should be fixed and repaired within two days after the official closing time. Exhibitors will not have the right to object and will accept to pay the repair costs in case they leave their stand damaged.
- e. All services not enumerated and if required by the Exhibitors will be charged independently by appointed contractors of the Organisers.
- f. Exhibitors should set up their stands to be completely ready in time for the opening of the Symposium – i.e. at the Get-Together Party event. Exhibitors under no circumstances can dismantle their exhibits and withdraw from the Exhibition earlier than the official closing time.
- g. If 2 hours before the time the symposium is opened, and Exhibitor has not availed themselves of the allocated stand, or before that time it is certain that the Exhibitor will not avail themselves of the stand, and/or the Exhibitor has failed to fulfil, in time, their obligation to pay, the Organisers may dispose of the stand in question, without further demand or notice of default, without being held to refund any payments already received, and without the Exhibitor thereby being discharged from the obligation to pay the amounts owing.
- h. Exhibitors do hereby undertake to abide by the rules and by-laws for stands and decorations, or safety, fire, building, etc. of the Finnish Authorities, the landlord and those of the Organisers. Also all work should conform with the laws of labour unions wherever applicable. Exhibitors undertake to make necessary arrangements, modifications and take immediate steps to remove each and any aspect of work team which contravenes these above by-laws and rules, once their attention has been brought to some.
- i. Re-letting, sub-letting and/or transfer of participation right in the exhibition is prohibited without written permission from the Organisers.

- j. All food and beverage services must be provided by the exclusive Caterer for the Symposium. Food and beverages shall not be sold for consumption in the exhibition area. Individual Exhibitors may be permitted to distribute candies, soft drinks, etc. on a complimentary basis in their stand, subject to the approval of the Organisers.

#### **4. Safety, Insurance Liabilities and Limitations**

- a. The exhibition is covered under a general policy of insurance for the liabilities of the Organisers, but Exhibitors liabilities within their spaces, labour and staff's insurance, third party liabilities are their own responsibilities.
- b. Organisers undertake no responsibility for loss, theft or pilferage of exhibits during the exhibition period.
- c. The Organisers will not be held responsible for the safety of any exhibit or property of any Exhibitor, its staff contractors or agents or any other person, or for only loss of or damage to or destruction of the same caused by theft, burglary, fire, storm, lightning, national emergency, war, commotion, labour strikes, lock-outs or by reason of all and any accident force major not within the control of the Organisers whether or not or by occasion of such and similar happenings the holding of the exhibition is impossible or is advisable or is postponed or closed prematurely. As the Organisers cannot, and will not, accept any responsibility for any or all loss suffered by any Exhibitors caused by the above mentioned, Exhibitors are advised to cover themselves with their own insurance policies.
- d. In case of premature closure or abandonment of the exhibition caused by factors as above in Clause 4-c, Organisers shall be entitled to retain all sums paid by the Exhibitors or such part thereof as found justified for incurred expenses.
- e. If the Organising Committee decides to reschedule the exhibition in time and/or location, all contractors for participation would become binding for the there-scheduled event except as to the size and positions with adjustment proposed by the Organisers. Organisers will not be liable for any refunds or other claims from Exhibitors who for any reason could not attend the there-scheduled event.
- f. The Organisers have the right, without legal intervention, to refuse admission to person who in their opinion may act in contravention of these rules and regulations or any business ethics.
- g. Volatile or inflammable oils, gases, unprotected picture film, other explosive or inflammable matter, or any substance prohibited by laws or insurance carriers, are not permitted on the premises.
- h. All draperies, backdrops, bunting and other decorations must be flame-proofed. All paper and other flimsy materials used for decorative purposes are prohibited. The use of a heavy cardboard shall be permitted in limited amounts. Combustible crates and packing boxes must be removed after the set-up period to a proper storage area.
- i. The area in front of the building and all exits must be maintained free of parking or storage. All exits must be maintained readily accessible at all times. Aisle-ways to exits shall not be blocked at any time by tables, chairs, crates or other obstructions.
- j. All fire extinguishing equipment must be unobstructed and accessible at all times.
- k. Cut trees, branches and shrubs are prohibited; unless maintained in soil in a natural state.

- l. The custodian of the building, watchmen, maintenance crew, and management staff of the Organisers shall have free access at all times to all spaces occupied by the Exhibitors.
- m. Canvassing or distributing advertising matter outside the Exhibitor's own space is not permitted. Solicitations of business, or conferences in the interest of business except by exhibiting firms, are prohibited. It is also prohibited to publicise and/or maintain any extracurricular activities, inducements, or demonstrations away from the exhibition area during the exhibit hours.
- n. Exhibitors undertake here to acknowledge that they are participating in the exhibition with their own free-will and decision and this contract entails no promise oral or written from the Organisers as to the nature, amount or level of business from the exhibition and/or its success.
- o. Exhibitors shall assume all responsibility for damage to the Exhibit Hall and the stands and they shall indemnify and exempt the Organisers from all liability, which may ensue from any cause whatsoever.
- p. All complaints or disputes regarding the exhibition will be entertained by the Organisers only if made in a written notification before the closing date.