

SPEAKERS' REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE 17TH INTERNATIONAL GAS RESEARCH CONFERENCE (IGRC2027)

1. Interpretation and Definitions

- 1.1. **Terms and Conditions** means these Terms and Conditions for registration and participation at the 17th International Gas Research Conference (IGRC2027), including all official schedules, annexes, and subsequent amendments published by the Host, which together constitute the legally binding contract between the Host and the Participant and their Financing Organisation, as applicable.
- 1.2. **Scope of these Terms and Conditions:** These Terms and Conditions shall govern the registration process, financial transactions, and physical participation of Participants at the 17th International Gas Research Conference (IGRC2027). These Terms and Conditions shall constitute a legally binding contract together with the Registration Form between the Host and the Participant and/or their Financing Organisation, as applicable. These Terms and Conditions do not govern or apply to sponsorship packages, exhibition services, advertising spaces, or any other commercial partnership arrangements, which shall be strictly subject to separate bilateral agreements executed between the Host and the respective corporate entity.
- 1.3. **Registration Category** means any of the official participation categories established for the Event, including but not limited to:
 - **Delegate:** a standard or professional conference Participant who has purchased a ticket or for whom a ticket has been purchased.
 - **Technical Speaker:** an author or industry expert presenting an approved technical paper, extended paper, or abstract.
 - **Invited (Strategic) Speaker:** a keynote speaker, executive panellist, or industry leader personally invited by the Host or IGU.

The specific services, access rights, and fees associated with each Registration Category are exclusively published and updated on the Official Registration Portal. The Registration Category shall be selected during the registration process.

- 1.4. **Conference** means the Conference component of the Event.
- 1.5. **Event** means the 17th International Gas Research Conference to be held in Budapest, Hungary from 24 to 28 May 2027 (herein referred to as "IGRC2027").
- 1.6. **GDPR** means Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (General Data Protection Regulation), as amended from time to time.
- 1.7. **Host** means **MVM ONEnergy Zrt.** (a member of the MVM Group; registered seat: 1031 Budapest, Szentendrei út 207–209., Hungary; company registration number: 01-10-044818; tax number: HU12898019, email: mvmonenergy@mvm.hu, phone: +36 20 597 0000), acting as the host organisation of the 17th International Gas Research Conference (IGRC 2027), in cooperation with IGU whether directly or through duly appointed professional congress organisers, registration service providers, technical contractors or other authorised service providers.

- 1.8. **IGU** means: International Gas Union, which is an international organisation, for more details, please visit <https://www.igu.org>.

Unless expressly stated otherwise on the Official Registration Portal, the Host shall be the contracting party in relation to participant registration, invoicing, payment processing and the provision of conference-related services.

- 1.9. **Participant** means a natural person whose registration for the Event has been confirmed by the Host or by IGU.
- 1.10. **Program** means the official schedule and agenda of the Conference, which is available under [Programme | IGRC2027](#).
- 1.11. **Financing Organisation** means the legal entity, corporate body, institution, university, or employer that coordinates, authorizes, and/or executes the payment of the Registration Fees and Charges on behalf of one or more Participants, and whose official billing details are designated as the recipient of the statutory invoice.
- 1.12. **Group** means a group of 5 or more Participants belonging to the same organisation, coordinated and paid for by one nominated contact person representing the Financing Organisation.
- 1.13. **Registration Fees and Charges** mean any fees, tickets, and charges paid or payable by or on behalf of a Participant under the selected Registration Category in EUR (Euro). The Registration Fees and Charges are published on the Event's official registration website <https://www.igrc2027.com> and shall be selected during the registration process.
- 1.14. **Registration Form** means the online registration application interface provided at the Official Registration Portal, as well as any official on-site registration forms provided at the Venue.
- 1.15. **Prohibited Items** include weapons and weapon-like objects; explosives, flammable, corrosive, toxic or otherwise hazardous substances; illegal or controlled items; devices or materials capable of causing injury, disruption or nuisance; unauthorised promotional, recording or broadcasting equipment; drones; and any other item prohibited by applicable law, the Venue's rules or the instructions of the Host or authorised security personnel. The Host and authorised security personnel may refuse entry with, or require the removal of, any item reasonably considered unsafe, disruptive or inappropriate for the Event. Certified assistance animals are permitted in accordance with applicable law.
- 1.16. **Venue** means the InterContinental Budapest (address: 1052 Budapest, Apáczai Csere János u. 12-14., Hungary) and any other official venue where Event activities, gala dinners, or Event-related social activities are held, including each venue's owners, operators, officers, directors, employees, and agents.
- 1.17. **Official Registration Portal** means the secured online electronic platform accessible via the official Event website <https://www.igrc2027.com>, operated by or on behalf of the Host, through which the electronic application process, data submissions, and credit card payments are executed.
- 1.18. **Additional Programmes and Activities** mean participation in additional programmes and activities organised in connection with the Event, including but not limited to city tours, networking receptions, welcome receptions, dinners, technical visits, cultural programmes and other related activities, may be subject to separate registration and/or an additional fee, as specified on the official Event registration website. Where separate registration is required, participation in the relevant Additional Programmes and Activities shall be subject to availability and shall only be confirmed upon successful completion of

the applicable registration process. The Host reserves the right to limit the number of participants for any Additional Programmes and Activities due to venue capacity, available places or other organisational considerations. Registration for the main Event does not automatically guarantee participation in any of the Additional Programmes and Activities for which separate registration is required. Unless otherwise agreed, the provisions of these Terms and Conditions shall apply, where applicable, to Additional Programmes and Activities.

2. Informed Consent and E-Commerce Compliance

- 2.1. In full compliance with Act CVIII of 2001 on Certain Issues of Electronic Commerce Services and Information Society Services (Electronic Commerce Act), it is explicitly acknowledged that by completing and submitting the online Registration Form and checking the mandatory confirmation box indicating explicit acceptance, the Participant and their Financing Organisation agree to be bound by these Terms and Conditions. The language of the contract shall be English.
- 2.2. In accordance with the Hungarian Civil Code (Act V of 2013 “Ptk.”), the electronic submission of the Registration Form constitutes a binding contractual offer submitted to the Host. The Host shall acknowledge receipt of this electronic contractual offer electronically and without delay via an automated email confirmation. This initial acknowledgement does not constitute formal acceptance of the offer. The contract shall be deemed legally concluded and binding only when the Host issues a formal confirmation of registration and payment receipt via email to the designated primary contact of the Financing Organisation or to the Participant, if applicable.
- 2.3. The natural person accepting these Terms and Conditions on behalf of a Financing Organisation or Group or as an independent Participant hereby warrants and represents that they possess the necessary legal authority to enter into this contract. These Terms and Conditions are legally binding on the designated Participant(s) and their Financing Organisation.
- 2.4. Prior to the final electronic submission of the Registration Form, the opportunity is technically provided on the user interface to review, verify, modify, and correct any and all data entered during the online registration process.
- 2.5. The Host shall electronically record the Participant’s acceptance of these Terms and Conditions. The record of acceptance shall be retained in the registration system and may be retrieved and exported by the Host. These Terms and Conditions are available to Participants on the official Event website.
- 2.6. The contract between the Host and the Participant and/or the Financing Organisation shall be formally concluded by electronic means. A contract concluded electronically shall be deemed to be a written contract; the Host shall retain it electronically and make it available at the Participant’s request.

3. Registration and Deadlines

3.1. Registration Guidelines

- 3.1.1 Registration shall primarily be completed online via the Official Registration Portal accessible through the official Event website. The registration application will only be processed, if all mandatory fields are fully and accurately completed.
- 3.1.2 Preliminary online registration is scheduled to close on 23 May 2027. The Host reserves the right to close registration earlier due to capacity limitations or other operational considerations.

- 3.1.3 After this date, registration may only be requested on-site at the Venue, subject to availability and may be refused at the Host's discretion.
- 3.1.4 Any changes or corrections to a Participant's registration details (such as profile corrections) are permitted free of charge until 30 April 2027. Changes or corrections to registration details do not constitute a substitution of the Participant. Any substitution of a Participant shall be governed exclusively by Section 8.
- 3.1.5 The Host and IGU reserve the right to amend these Terms and Conditions to ensure compliance with changing local regulations or security requirements or where reasonably justified by operational, organisational or business considerations relating to the Event. Any amendments shall not materially alter the essential nature of the services already contracted for and will be published on the official website and shall become effective upon publication, subject to the Consumer rights set out below. If the Participant qualifies as a Consumer, the Host will inform the Participant about any such amendment via the contact email address given in the Registration Form. In such case, the Participant shall have the right to terminate the Agreement.
- 3.1.6 The specific services, access rights, and inclusions attached to each Registration Category shall depend entirely on the option selected during the registration process. The detailed list of available Registration Categories and their respective technical or hospitality content are exclusively published and continuously updated on the Official Registration Portal.
- 3.1.7 The Event is explicitly organized and executed as a live, in-person event only. Remote participation, digital streaming of individual technical sessions for single Participants, or remote/digital presentations by authors are strictly unavailable. The unavailability of remote or digital alternatives shall not entitle any Participant or the Financing Organisation to any refund, compensation, or alteration of the applicable cancellation policies.

3.2. Confirmation

- 3.2.1 Upon successful completion of the registration process and receipt of any applicable registration fees in full and in clear funds, or confirmation of approved complimentary registration, the Host will send an official registration confirmation letter to the Participant's email address provided for contact purposes during registration, and the applicable invoice to the invoice recipient email address provided during registration.
- 3.2.2 All Participants are required to present this official registration confirmation (either in printed form or digitally on a mobile device) at the on-site registration desk at the Venue to receive their official Participant badge. In accordance with safety and security regulations, all Participant badges must be collected strictly in person by the designated Participant; third-party collection or proxy pickup of badges is strictly prohibited. Visual identity verification shall be conducted by the registration staff through the physical presentation of a government-issued photo identification document in accordance with Section 11.

3.3. Payment and Currency Regulations

- 3.3.1 All payments for the online registration must be made in full and in clear funds to the Host no later than 23 May 2027. If the payment is not received by this deadline, the registration may be cancelled by the Host or the Participant. Upon

payment of the Registration Fee, an advance payment invoice will be issued, followed by a final invoice after the conference Event. The issuing and sending of the invoice are linked to the completion of payment and confirmation of registration. The invoice is issued and sent by the Host based on the billing details provided during the registration. The registration interface clearly indicates where the submission of the Registration Form creates an obligation to pay.

- 3.3.2 **Currency and VAT:** All Registration Fees and Charges and administrative fees are officially set in Euro (EUR) and are stated net of Value Added Tax (VAT). The statutory Hungarian VAT valid at the time of performance shall be added to the net fees and shall be borne entirely by the payer.
- 3.3.3 **Methods of Payment:** Individual transactions must be paid in advance using a secure and internationally approved credit card (online payment gateway). Group registrations (5 or more Participants) may be paid via bank transfer based on the payment details stated and sent by the Host. The advance payment invoice will be issued upon fulfillment of the payment/verification conditions. All payments must be free of any bank charges or withholding taxes; all bank transfer charges must be borne entirely by the payer.
- 3.3.4 **Overpayments and Refunds:** In the case of accidental overpayment or double payment, a written refund request must be sent via email to igrc2027@mvm.hu without undue delay after the overpayment or double payment has been identified. Approved refunds will be processed minus any applicable bank transaction fees to the banking details given at the original Registration Form.
- 3.3.5 **Promotional Codes:** Promotional or discount codes may only be used in accordance with the eligibility criteria and instructions provided when they are issued, including any validity period and usage limits. Codes issued to a named individual are personal and non-transferable. Other codes may be shared with eligible Participants only as permitted by the Host. Codes cannot be applied retroactively to existing bookings.

3.4. Eligibility Verification

- 3.4.1 The Host reserves the absolute right to verify a Participant's eligibility for any discounted, complimentary, or restricted Registration Categories, including but not limited to official IGU Member registrations, Partner/Academia registrations, and unique invitation-based categories.
- 3.4.2 Participants shall promptly provide any official verification materials, corporate credentials, or supporting documentation reasonably requested by the Host or authorized Venue staff for eligibility validation purposes.
- 3.4.3 If a Participant's eligibility for a specific discounted Registration Category cannot be verified to the satisfaction of the Host, or subsequently ceases to exist, the Host reserves the right to immediately reclassify the registration to the applicable standard fee category and issue a comprehensive invoice for the corresponding fee difference. The Participant shall fully settle such price difference prior to receiving their official Participant badge at the Venue.

3.5. General Compliance Verification

- 3.5.1 In addition to verifying eligibility for discounted, complimentary or restricted Registration Categories, the Host shall conduct a general compliance review where the registration information provided by a Participant indicates a connection to Iran or Russia, including, where applicable, nationality, country of

residence, country of departure, billing address or the registered office of the Participant's employer or represented organisation.

- 3.5.2 In such cases, the registration shall be automatically referred for manual compliance review. Such referral shall not in itself result in the automatic rejection of the registration.
- 3.5.3 Any decision to approve, suspend or reject the registration shall be based on documented sanctions screening and, where appropriate, a business partner compliance review. During this process, the registration shall remain pending, and no payment link or final registration confirmation shall be issued until the review has been completed and the registration has been approved by the Host.

4. Participant Costs and Expenses

- 4.1. The Participant and their Financing Organisation, if applicable shall be solely responsible for arranging and paying all their own costs, fees, and expenses incurred in connection with attending the Event. This includes, but is not limited to, flights and transport, hotel accommodation, visa application fees, and any meals or beverages not explicitly included in the official Conference programme. Any hotel reservations or accommodation arrangements executed through links, room blocks, or recommendations provided on the Official Registration Portal shall constitute a separate, direct contractual relationship between the Participant (or their Financing Organisation) and the respective third-party accommodation provider.
- 4.2. The Host and IGU shall not accept any invoices, liability, or charges for any personal or business expenses incurred by a Participant or Financing Organisation, regardless of whether the Event is altered, postponed, or cancelled except to the extent mandatory applicable consumer protection laws where the Participant qualifies as a Consumer. The Host explicitly excludes all liability for the performance, availability, modification, or cancellation of any such third-party accommodation or transport services.

5. Invoicing and Receipts

- 5.1. By submitting the Registration Form, the Participant and/or the Financing Organisation explicitly consents to the use of electronic invoicing. Upon successful completion of the online payment or confirmation of the bank transfer, a valid electronic invoice (e-invoice) will be generated by the Host's system in full compliance with the Hungarian VAT Act (Act CXXVII of 2007 on Value Added Tax).
- 5.2. The invoice will be sent digitally to the e-mail address provided in the billing section of the Registration Form.
- 5.3. It is the sole responsibility of the entity or person executing the registration to provide accurate and legally valid billing details (including the official company name, registered seat, and valid tax/EU VAT number) during the registration process. The Financing Organisation explicitly acknowledges and accepts that if an invoice needs to be amended, cancelled, or re-issued due to incorrect, incomplete, or faulty data provided during the registration process (or only in case of request, due to the change of participant as per Section 8), the Host reserves the right to charge and invoice a flat administrative fee of 15 EUR per invoice modification. This fee constitutes a standard administrative cost under the Hungarian Civil Code (Act V of 2013) to cover additional manual accounting, system synchronization, and statutory reporting tasks resulting from such non-compliance.

6. Payment Method and Security

- 6.1. All online card payments will be processed via a secured online Payment Gateway System compliant with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI-DSS) integrated into the Official Registration Portal. The Host and IGU do not collect, view, or store any credit or debit card numbers or sensitive financial data. By initiating a transaction, the entity or person executing the online transaction explicitly consents to the transfer of their necessary personal and billing data to the licensed payment service provider for the sole purpose of secure transaction processing and fraud prevention, in accordance with applicable regulations, and the GDPR. Online payment services are provided by Stripe in accordance with the Stripe Data Privacy Framework Policy (available at: stripe.com). A transaction shall be considered successful only once the Host has received confirmation from the payment service provider and the payment can be matched to the relevant registration in the Host's records. Failed, reversed, cancelled or duplicated card transactions shall not in themselves result in a confirmed registration. Any overpayment or duplicated payment shall be handled in accordance with the refund provisions of these Terms and Conditions, subject to reconciliation between the payment service provider reports, the registration system and the Host's accounting records.
- 6.2. For corporate Group registrations (5 or more Participants), payment may also be executed via bank transfer based on the details (beneficiary banking data, currency, reference and deadline) given in the confirmation email that is sent to the Participant. All payments must be free of any bank charges or withholding taxes; any bank transfer fees must be borne entirely by the payer.

7. Withdrawal or Cancellation by Participant and Visa Regulations

- 7.1. Should a Participant wish to withdraw their registration or cancel their attendance due to personal or business reasons, a formal notice must be submitted in writing via email to igrc2027@mvm.hu. The cancellation shall only be deemed legally effective on the date the Host receives and confirms the written notification.
- 7.2. In accordance with the Hungarian Civil Code (Ptk.), since the Host enters into financial commitments with the Venue and suppliers based on registration volumes, cancellations are subject to the following tiered refund policy:
 - 7.2.1 Cancellations confirmed on or before 31 January 2027: Full refund of the paid Registration Fees and Charges, less a flat administrative contract fee of 100 EUR per Participant, which constitutes a genuine pre-estimate of the administrative loss and transaction costs incurred by the Host.
 - 7.2.2 Cancellations confirmed between 1 February 2027 and 18 March 2027 (inclusive): A 50% refund of the paid Registration Fees and Charges will be granted. The remaining 50% shall be retained by the Host.
 - 7.2.3 Cancellations confirmed on or after 19 March 2027: No refund shall be made, and the Participant (or their Financing Organisation) shall remain liable for 100% of the Registration Fees and Charges. No-shows at the Event will not be eligible for any refund or credit.
- 7.3. **Visa and Entry Regulations:** It is the sole responsibility of the Participant to be fully informed about the latest passport, visa, and health regulations regarding entry to Hungary and the Schengen Area. Participants may obtain information on the conditions of entry into the Schengen Area via <https://konzinfo.mfa.gov.hu/en/short-term-stay> link. The Host and IGU cannot be held liable, and no refunds will be issued under Section 7.2, if a Participant is refused entry to Hungary or the Schengen Area, or is unable to travel due to their failure to adhere to the statutory entry regulations or due to delays in

the visa issuance process. Participants are entirely responsible for handling their own visa applications and checking individual consular processing times.

- 7.3.1 Visa Invitation Letters:** The Host will provide a formal Visa Invitation Letter solely to registered Participants whose registration has been confirmed and whose applicable Registration Fees and Charges have been paid in full and in clear funds. No payment is required for Participants with approved complimentary registration. In the case of Participants from or otherwise associated with Russia or Iran, a Visa Invitation Letter may only be issued following the successful completion and approval of the Host's applicable compliance screening. No Visa Invitation Letter will be generated or issued where the registration, payment or required compliance screening is pending, incomplete or has been rejected. Requests for Visa Invitation Letters must be submitted through the Official Registration Portal.
- 7.3.2 Limitation of Liability for Visa Issuance:** The issuance of a Visa Invitation Letter by the Host does not guarantee that a visa will be granted. The Host has no influence or control over the visa application process, appointment availability, or the final decisions made by the competent immigration and consular authorities. Consequently, the Host shall not be held liable for any financial losses, travel cancellation fees, or accommodation costs if a Participant's visa application is delayed or rejected by the authorities.
- 7.4.** Approved refunds, if any, will be processed and reimbursed to the original payment method where technically feasible, or the designated bank account within thirty (30) - in case of consumer no later than 14 days from the date on which the Host becomes aware of the withdrawal - calendar days after the written cancellation has been formally approved by the Host. Any additional bank transfer or currency conversion fees incurred during the refund process shall be borne by the Participant or the Financing Organisation.
- 7.5.** Where a Participant qualifies as a Consumer under applicable law, any mandatory consumer protection provisions shall apply and prevail over any conflicting provisions of these Terms and Conditions.

8. Substitution and Transfer of Registration

- 8.1.** If a registered Participant ("Original Participant") is unable to attend the Event, the registration may be transferred to another individual from the same organisation ("Alternate Participant") subject to the prior written approval of the Host. All requests for substitution must be submitted in writing via email to igrc2027@mvm.hu on or before 30 April 2027. Such substitute presenter or attendee must be appropriately qualified and familiar with the topic of the presentation, where applicable.
- 8.2.** The written request for substitution must include: (i) the full name and registration number of the Original Participant, (ii) formal written evidence of the Original Participant's (or their Financing organisation's) consent to the transfer, and (iii) the full name and contact details of the Alternate Participant. The Alternate Participant shall be treated as a new applicant and must successfully pass the Host's applicable compliance screening. The substitution shall become legally effective and finalized only upon the explicit written approval of the compliance screening by the Host. Until such approval is granted, no payment links, registration confirmations, or Visa Invitation Letters shall be generated, issued, or sent to the Alternate Participant.

- 8.3. The Alternate Participant must fully complete the online registration profile and formally accept these Terms and Conditions before the transfer can be finalized through the Official Registration Portal.
- 8.4. Any price differences resulting from the substitution must be settled before the transfer is finalized. If the Alternate Participant qualifies for a higher fee, the outstanding balance must be paid in full. If the Alternate Participant qualifies for a lower fee, the Host shall refund the difference, minus any applicable bank transaction and administrative fees, to the original payment method.
- 8.5. No requests for substitution or transfer will be accepted after 30 April 2027. The Host and the Venue security personnel reserve the absolute right to refuse entry to any individual on-site whose identity does not match the name printed on the official Participant badge and if it cannot be established by any other means that the person present is entitled to entry. As badges must be collected strictly in person under the official security regulations, once a badge has been issued on-site or marked as attended, no further transfers are permitted under any circumstances.

9. Conference Postponement or Cancellation by Host

- 9.1. The Host and IGU reserve the right to postpone or alter the format of the Event. If the Event is postponed, or its format is modified (including a transition from an in-person event to a fully virtual or hybrid format) due to circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the Host or IGU (Force Majeure - Vis Maior) – including but not limited to natural disasters, fires, strikes, riots, martial law, acts of war, terrorism, pandemics, epidemics, government actions, cyber warfare, large-scale cyber-attacks, critical IT system or registration network failures, national grid energy supply blackouts and statutory changes in laws and regulations – the Host is entitled to retain all Registration Fees and Charges paid by the Participant or the Financing Organisation for the rescheduled or modified event. These Terms and Conditions shall remain in full force and effect for the postponed or modified Event.
- 9.2. Subject to the refund of the Registration Fees and Charges as set forth in Section 10.3, the Host and IGU cannot be held liable under any circumstances for any direct or indirect damages, costs, secondary claims, or losses incurred by the Participant or their Financing Organisation, expressly including but not limited to travel costs, flights, visa fees, and hotel accommodation costs.
- 9.3. In the event of a postponement, format modification, or cancellation, the Host will use reasonable endeavours to alert Participants via the email address provided in the Registration Form. Official details of any such changes will be published on the official Event website. Participants are solely responsible for checking this information prior to the Event.
- 9.4. The Host reserves the right to modify any and all technical, scientific, or logistical aspects of the Event, including changing the scheduling, specific topics of the Conference, venue rooms, social programme and the speaker line-up. The selection of abstract submissions or the acceptance of technical papers does not guarantee the scheduling of any presentation, and the Host and IGU retains the exclusive right to alter or withdraw any session. Such modifications or withdrawals shall not entitle the Participant or Financing Organisation to any refund of the Registration Fees and Charges, nor shall the Host or IGU be liable to pay for any additional costs incurred by the Participant.
- 9.5. Where a Participant qualifies as a Consumer under applicable law, any mandatory consumer protection provisions shall apply and prevail over any conflicting provisions of these Terms and Conditions.

10. Insurance

- 10.1. The Registration Fees and Charges do not include insurance of any kind. It is strongly recommended to arrange for comprehensive travel, medical, and cancellation insurance prior to their journey. The insurance policy should ideally cover the loss of Registration Fees and Charges resulting from the postponement, modification, or cancellation of the Event, as well as costs related to international or domestic travel disruptions, transportation delays, medical emergencies, loss of or damage to personal property, and any additional repatriation expenses.
- 10.2. Neither the Host, the IGU nor the Venue shall assume any responsibility or liability for any losses, damages, or expenses incurred due to a Participant's or Financing Organisation's failure to secure adequate insurance coverage.
- 10.3. If the Event is cancelled and is not rescheduled (except in cases of force majeure), the Participant shall be entitled to a refund of the participation fee paid, less any reasonable costs verifiably incurred by the Host in connection with the processing of registrations, the handling of payments and the preparation of the Event, unless otherwise provided for by the applicable legislation. The Host's liability is limited to the refund provided for in this clause. The Host shall not be liable for any indirect or consequential losses suffered by the Participant, including, in particular, travel expenses, accommodation costs, visa, loss of profit or other related costs.

11. Compliance, Security and Data Protection

- 11.1. Attendance at the Event is granted solely at the discretion of the Host and IGU. All registrations are subject to a mandatory preliminary administrative and compliance review by the Host. During this review process, the registration will remain pending, and no payment links or final registration confirmations shall be generated, issued, or sent to the applicant. Participants must strictly comply with all applicable national and European Union laws, the official safety regulations and house rule of the Venue, and the MVM Group Compliance, [Anti-Corruption](#), and [Ethics Policies](#) throughout the duration of the Event. The relevant international business partner compliance guidelines of the MVM Group are publicly accessible on the official corporate [website](#). The Participant and the Financing Organisation explicitly represent and warrant that they are not subject to any applicable EU, UN, or national international sanctions, trade embargoes, or export control restrictions.
- 11.2. As a strict condition of entry, all Participants must present a valid, official government-issued photo identification document (such as a valid passport or national identity card) matching the name on their Registration Form profile at the on-site registration desk. No copies or digital records of such identification documents shall be retained by the Host. The Host does not collect individual identification photographs for badge printing or biometric access control purposes. In accordance with the official security regulations, all Participant badges must be collected strictly in person, and visual identity verification shall be conducted by the registration staff. Third-party collection, proxy pickup of badges or subsequent transfer of issued badges is strictly prohibited. Failure to produce valid photo identification will result in the denial of access to the Event and the Venue. In such circumstances, the Host shall bear no liability, and no refunds of Registration Fees and Charges shall be issued to the Participant or the Financing Organisation.
- 11.3. For the safety and security of all Participants, the Host and its authorized security personnel reserve the right to inspect and search bags, briefcases, and personal

belongings at the entrance or within the Venue. Security screenings may include metal detection, scanning, or X-ray equipment. Entry will be denied to any person carrying Prohibited Items or any hazardous, controlled, or illegal substances.

- 11.4. Participants must strictly adhere to all health, safety, fire prevention, and emergency instructions issued by the Venue management, the Host, or competent public authorities. Any conduct that causes alarm, distress, or physical risk to other Participants, or disrupts the professional integrity of the Conference, is strictly prohibited.
- 11.5. The Host reserves the absolute right to refuse entry to, or immediately expel from the Venue, any individual who violates these Terms and Conditions, carries a Prohibited Item, engages in any form of harassment, discrimination, or bullying, behaves in an unruly, disorderly, or disruptive manner, or whose presence is deemed inappropriate or detrimental to the safety and well-being of others. Expelled individuals shall forfeit their right to attend the Event, and the Host shall have no obligation to refund any Registration Fees and Charges to the expelled individual or their Financing Organisation.
- 11.6. **Image and Recording Consent (GDPR Compliance):** Participants acknowledge that the Host, IGU and authorized media partners will capture photographs, video, and audio recordings during the Event for documentation, institutional/post-event communication, and marketing, promotional purposes, public relations including publication through their digital communication channels and Participants acknowledge (by clicking the check box) to the related data process based on and as outlined in details by the “International Gas Research Conference 2027 Privacy Policy” (hereinafter referred to “Privacy Policy”).
- 11.7. The Host and IGU guarantee that no photographs or recordings containing a Participant's likeness will be used in any manner that is offensive, defamatory, misleading, or commercialized outside the scope of the Event's professional context.
- 11.8. **Data Protection Dashboard and Objections:** Detailed information regarding the processing of Participants' personal data, including their rights under the GDPR and the specific data security measures implemented by the Host, so the Privacy Policy is available in the official website of the IGRC2027 and accessible via the Official Registration Portal. In compliance with the GDPR, Participants retain the absolute right to object to the processing of their image or voice on or in photographs, video and audio recording. Any requests or complaints regarding the removal of published photographs must be sent in writing to the Data Controller as defined by the Privacy Policy. By submitting the Registration Form, the Participant and/or the Registering Entity confirms that they have read and understood the Privacy Policy.

12. Intellectual Property and Confidentiality

- 12.1. **Intellectual Property Rights:** For the purpose of these Terms and Conditions, Intellectual Property Rights mean and include all patents, trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights, database rights, design rights, and any other intellectual or industrial property rights, whether registered or unregistered, anywhere in the world.
- 12.2. All intellectual property, trademarks, logos, and official materials displayed or provided by the Host and IGU during the Event shall remain the exclusive property of their respective owners. Attendance at the Event does not grant the Participant any license, title, or right to use the names, trademarks, or logos of the IGU, MVM Group, or MVM ONEnergy Zrt. for any commercial, reference, or promotional purposes without prior explicit written consent.
- 12.3. **Confidentiality and Intra-Group Sharing:** In accordance with the internal governance policies of the MVM Group, the Participant acknowledges and agrees that the disclosure

of any transaction, billing, or corporate data related to this contract between MVM ONEnergy Zrt. and its sole shareholder MVM Energetika Zrt. (registered seat: 1031 Budapest, Szentendrei út 207-209., Hungary), or any of its majority-owned group affiliates (including MVM Services Zrt.), shall not constitute a breach of confidentiality or business secrecy under Act LIV of 2018 on the Protection of Business Secrets. The Host is fully entitled to utilize and share such operational and financial data within the MVM Group for standard administrative, reporting, and audit purposes without further consent.

13. Audio-Visual Equipment and Digital Devices

- 13.1. The operation of personal audio-visual equipment, sound amplification systems, recording devices, or any other digital broadcasting equipment by Participants within the Venue is strictly prohibited if it interferes with the professional integrity of the Event or causes a nuisance to others. Participants must immediately cease the use of any such equipment or devices upon the first verbal or written request of the Host or authorized Venue staff.
- 13.2. **Conference Application and Networking Platform:** The Host may provide Participants with access to an official mobile application or other digital event services integrated into the Conference. The Host excludes all liability for any temporary technical unavailability, network disruptions, or third-party telecommunication failures affecting these digital services or the on-site Wi-Fi network.
 - 13.2.1 The Participant and the Financing Organisation explicitly acknowledge that such digital services may enable the publication, sharing, and digital display of professional information voluntarily provided during the application or onboarding process, including but not limited to their full name, company or organisation, professional position, corporate biography, and networking profile.
 - 13.2.2 Participants retain the absolute right to manage and restrict the public visibility of their profile data, professional information, and networking availability at any time through the internal privacy settings where such technical functionality is available within the platform.

14. Limitation of Liability

- 14.1. To the maximum extent permitted by applicable European Union laws and the Hungarian Civil Code (Ptk.), all Participants and Financing Organisations explicitly agree that their attendance and participation in the Event, including their presence at the Venue, is entirely at their own risk. Each Participant shall be solely responsible for the safety of their own person and personal property throughout the duration of the Event.
- 14.2. The Event, the Conference sessions, and all related materials are provided for professional and informational purposes only. The Host and the IGU explicitly disclaim all implied statutory conditions or warranties, including but not limited to any warranties regarding completeness, technical accuracy, or fitness for a particular commercial purpose. The Host and IGU specifically exclude any liability to the Participant or the Financing Organisation resulting from or in connection with:
 - 14.2.1 Any discrepancy between the estimated and the actual number of Participants at the Event or any portion thereof.
 - 14.2.2 The exact timeliness, scheduling, or quality of the services provided, or any minor deficiency in the execution of the Event programme.

- 14.2.3 The postponement, alteration of format, or shortened operating hours of the Event, either as a whole or in part, as well as the cancellation or substitution of any scheduled speakers or representatives without prior notice; and
- 14.2.4 Any event, delay, failure, or interruption resulting directly or indirectly from circumstances outside the Host's or IGU's reasonable control (Force Majeure - Vis Maior), as set forth under Section 9.1.
- 14.3. To the maximum extent permitted by the applicable laws:
 - 14.3.1 The Host and IGU exclude all terms, warranties, conditions, and guarantees implied or imposed by law.
 - 14.3.2 The Host and IGU exclude all liability for any indirect, special, economic, exemplary, or consequential loss or damage, including but not limited to loss of revenue, anticipated profits, business goodwill, commercial opportunities, data, or anticipated savings incurred or suffered by the Participant or their Financing Organisation; and
 - 14.3.3 In accordance with Section 6:152. § of the Hungarian Civil Code (Ptk.), the liability of the Host and IGU for intentional breaches of contract and for breaches of contract causing injury to life, physical integrity, or health are not excluded or limited, but is otherwise excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law. Nothing in these Terms and Conditions excludes or limits liability where such exclusion or limitation is prohibited by applicable law, including mandatory consumer protection legislation.
- 14.4. To the extent that any liability under these Terms and Conditions cannot be lawfully excluded, the total aggregate liability of the Host, the IGU, and the Venue to any Participant or Financing Organisation for any and all claims, whether arising in contract, tort (including negligence), statutory duty, or otherwise, shall be strictly limited to an amount not exceeding the total Registration Fees and Charges actually paid by or on behalf of that specific Participant.

15. Indemnification

- 15.1. The Participant (and their Financing Organisation) shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Host, the IGU, and the Venue against all third-party suits, actions, claims, demands, costs, losses, expenses, damages, and liabilities (including reasonable legal and accounting fees) arising directly or indirectly from:
 - 15.1.1 Any loss or damage to property, or any injury to or death of any person, caused by the wilful misconduct, negligent act, omission, or default of the Participant within or outside the Venue during the Event; and
 - 15.1.2 Any breach by the Participant or the Financing Organisation of any obligation, warranty, or statutory requirement set forth under these Terms and Conditions.

16. Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Miscellaneous Provisions

- 16.1. **Governing Law and Jurisdiction:** These Terms and Conditions and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with them or their subject matter (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the substantive laws of Hungary, without regard to its conflict of law's provisions. The Host, IGU, and the Participant explicitly submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the competent courts of Budapest, Hungary, to settle any dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with these Terms and Conditions. This jurisdiction clause shall not

deprive Consumers of any rights to bring proceedings before the courts having jurisdiction under mandatory consumer protection laws.

- 16.2. **Amendments and Waivers:** Any waiver by the Host of a breach of these Terms and Conditions, or of any rights arising under them, must be confirmed in writing by the Host to be legally effective. Any variation, modification, or amendment of any part of these Terms and Conditions must be executed in writing by the Host and published on the official Event website to be effective.
- 16.3. **Independent Parties:** Nothing in these Terms and Conditions shall be construed to establish a partnership, joint venture, agency, or fiduciary relationship between the Host, the IGU, the Financing Organisation and the Participant. Neither party has the authority to act as an agent for, or to bind, the other party in any manner.
- 16.4. **Entire Agreement:** These Terms and Conditions constitute the entire agreement between the parties regarding attendance at the Event. The Participant and the Financing Organisation acknowledge that they have not relied on any oral or written statements, representations, or promotional materials concerning the subject matter of these Terms and Conditions unless expressly set out herein.
- 16.5. **Assignment:** A Participant or Financing Organisation may not transfer, assign, or outsource any of its rights or obligations under these Terms and Conditions except in strict accordance with the substitution provisions set forth in Section 8.
- 16.6. **Third-Party Beneficiaries:** The Venue management and authorized official contractors may rely on and enforce each of the covenants, exclusions, releases, and indemnities given or made by the Participant or the Financing Organisation under these Terms and Conditions as intended third-party beneficiaries.
- 16.7. **Severability:** These Terms and Conditions are subject to applicable laws that cannot be lawfully excluded. If any provision or part of a provision of these Terms and Conditions is found by a competent court or authority to be invalid, unenforceable, or void, such part shall be severed to the minimum extent necessary, and the remainder of these Terms and Conditions shall continue in full force and effect.
- 16.8. **Time Zone:** All dates, deadlines, and times mentioned in these Terms and Conditions or on the official Event website shall strictly refer to Central European Time (CET; UTC+1) or Central European Summer Time (CEST; UTC+2), as applicable in Budapest, Hungary.

17. Consumer Protection Provisions

For the purposes of these Terms and Conditions, a "**Consumer**" means a natural person acting for purposes outside their trade, business, profession or occupation, as defined by applicable Hungarian and European Union consumer protection legislation.

The Event is primarily intended for representatives of businesses, industry organisations, public authorities, academic institutions, research organisations and other professional stakeholders. However, natural persons may also register as Participants.

17.1. Right of Withdrawal

Where a Participant qualifies as a Consumer, the statutory right of withdrawal shall apply only to the extent required by applicable mandatory law.

The Consumer acknowledges that the services provided under the registration relate to leisure, conference, hospitality, networking and related event services to be performed on specific dates and during a specific period.

Accordingly, to the extent permitted by applicable law, including Section 29 (1)(I) of Hungarian Government Decree 45/2014 (II.26.), the Consumer shall not have a statutory right of withdrawal once a registration has been made for Event services that are to be supplied on a specified date or within a specified period. Nothing in these Terms and Conditions shall restrict any statutory rights that cannot lawfully be excluded.

17.2. Complaint Handling

Consumers may submit complaints concerning the registration process or the services provided in connection with the Event by email to igrc2027@mvm.hu or by post to the registered office of the Host.

The Host shall investigate and respond to complaints within 30 days. The Host will record the complaint; the language used for handling the complaint is English. If the complaint is rejected, the Host shall, in its reply, inform the Consumer of the further remedies available. The Consumer is entitled to lodge a complaint with the consumer protection authority with jurisdiction over their place of residence or place of stay. In Hungary, consumer protection duties are carried out by the government offices in the capital and the counties.

17.3. Consumer Dispute Resolution

Consumers may seek the assistance of the competent Hungarian Conciliation Board (Békéltető Testület) <https://bekeltet.bkik.hu/en> or <https://bekeltetes.hu/udvozlo> or any other authority, court or alternative dispute resolution body available under applicable law.

Information regarding available consumer dispute resolution mechanisms may be requested from the Host.

17.4. Mandatory Consumer Rights

Where a Participant qualifies as a Consumer under applicable law, any mandatory consumer protection provisions shall apply and prevail over any conflicting provisions of these Terms and Conditions.

Nothing in these Terms and Conditions shall exclude or limit any rights granted to Consumers under mandatory Hungarian or European Union consumer protection legislation.

18. Speakers, Speakers' Material and Related Intellectual Property Rights

18.1. Abstract-based Speakers and Invited Speakers

18.1.1 The Event may include speakers selected based on an abstract submitted during the official abstract submission period, as well as speakers who are invited by the Host or the IGU, including keynote, strategic, invited or other designated speakers (collectively, the **"Speaker"**).

Irrespective of the basis on which a Speaker is selected or invited, any presentation, speech, abstract, written material or other content provided or presented by the Speaker in connection with the Event shall be subject to the provisions of this Section unless otherwise agreed by the parties.

18.1.2 By registering as a Speaker for the Event, submitting an abstract, accepting an invitation to speak, submitting a presentation, or otherwise providing any materials or content in connection with the Event, the Speaker represents and warrants that:

- 18.1.2.1 all materials and content submitted, provided or intended to be presented by the Speaker at the Event are the Speaker's own intellectual work or that the Speaker is duly authorised to use, submit, publish and present such materials and content;
- 18.1.2.2 the submission, publication, presentation or use of such materials and content in connection with the Event does not and will not infringe any third-party intellectual property rights, copyrights, personality rights, rights to one's image or publicity rights, confidentiality obligations or other proprietary rights or any other rights;
- 18.1.2.3 where any materials contain content created by or owned by a third party, including, without limitation, photographs, images, illustrations, graphics, videos, audio recordings, musical works, trademarks, logos, data, quotations or other copyright-protected materials, the Speaker has obtained and maintains all licences, permissions, consents and other rights necessary for the lawful use of such content in connection with the Event and uses it lawfully; and
- 18.1.2.4 the Speaker is entitled to grant the rights and permissions set out in these Terms and Conditions and, where required, has obtained all necessary approvals from the Speaker's employer, organisation or any other relevant third party.
- 18.1.3 The selection or acceptance of an abstract, or an invitation to participate as a Speaker, shall not in itself guarantee the Speaker's attendance at the Event, the final inclusion of the proposed presentation in the Event programme, or the delivery of the presentation at the Event. Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, in order to attend the Event, the Speaker shall be required to duly complete the applicable official registration process within the prescribed deadline and to pay all registration fees, participation fees and any other applicable fees payable by the Speaker in connection with attendance at the Event. The selection or acceptance of an abstract or an invitation to participate as a Speaker shall not, in itself, constitute an automatic waiver of any registration or other applicable fees, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of the Host or the IGU to pay or reimburse such fees and does not give rise to any other obligation to provide consideration.
- 18.1.4 The Speaker acknowledges and agrees that the selection or acceptance of an abstract, or an invitation to participate as a Speaker, and the proposed inclusion of a presentation in the Event programme, shall not constitute a final or unconditional guarantee of inclusion in the Event programme. The Host and the IGU reserve the right to modify any technical, professional, organisational or logistical aspect of the Event, including, without limitation, the Event programme, individual sessions, presentation topics, order and duration of presentations, venues, social events and the list of Speakers. The Host and the IGU shall further be entitled to modify, reschedule, postpone or cancel any presentation or session.
- 18.1.5 The subsequent cancellation, rescheduling, modification or removal of a presentation from the Event programme following the selection or acceptance of an abstract or an invitation to participate as a Speaker shall not, in itself, entitle the Speaker, the Participant or any organisation supporting the Speaker to a refund of any registration fees, participation fees or other fees already paid, nor shall it impose any obligation on the Host or the IGU to reimburse any travel,

accommodation, administrative or other costs incurred by the Speaker, the Participant or any organisation supporting the Speaker in connection therewith.

- 18.1.6 If the Speaker fails to complete the registration required for attendance at the Event within the applicable deadline, or fails to pay any applicable registration, participation or other fees by the relevant payment deadline, the Host and the IGU shall be entitled to refuse the Speaker's attendance at the Event and/or the inclusion of the Speaker's presentation in the Event programme, or to remove the presentation from the Event programme. This shall be without prejudice to any payment obligations of the Speaker in respect of fees that have already become due, which shall be governed by the applicable registration terms and conditions.
- 18.1.7 The Host and the IGU shall be entitled to reject, remove or cease the use of any abstract, presentation or other material if they have reasonable grounds to believe that it infringes the law, the rights of a third party or the rules of the Event.
- 18.1.8 The Speaker and/or, where applicable, the Financing Organisation, shall be obliged to fully indemnify, hold harmless compensate the Host and the IGU for all proven damages, fines, legal costs and claims arising from any infringement of rights relating to the materials submitted by the Speaker or from any other unlawful conduct on his part.

In the event of any claim by a third party arising out of the circumstances. The Speaker shall reimburse the Host and IGU for all reasonable and substantiated legal costs, expenses, damages, settlement amounts and sums awarded by a final court judgment in connection with such claim.

- 18.1.9 Speakers are obliged to submit all presentation materials by the deadline and in the manner specified by the Host; they are also obliged to attend the professional, programme and technical coordination meetings, whether held prior to the Event or on site, as specified by the Host. They are obliged to comply with the technical requirements specified by the Host, as well as the time allocation for their presentation and the question-and-answer session – which may be subject to change if necessary – and to arrive at the time and place specified by the Host prior to their presentation and follow the moderator's instructions.

Should the Speaker fail to comply with this, the Host shall be entitled – following a reminder to the Speaker – to make any necessary amendments to the Event programme.

The official language of the Event is English. The Speaker is required to deliver the abstract, the presentation slides, the presentation itself and the subsequent question-and-answer [Q&A] session exclusively in English. The Host does not provide interpretation.

The presentation must not contain content intended solely or predominantly for commercial, marketing or direct sales purposes.

18.2. Use of Abstracts and Speaker Materials

- 18.2.1 By submitting an abstract or other written material (together: Deliverables) in connection with the Event, the Speaker agrees with the copyright policy as per 18.2.5. The Speaker and IGU authorise the Host acting as the host organisation, using the Deliverables for the purposes of the Event (including without limitation copying, displaying, reproducing and communicating them to the public via website, programme, mobile app, print and digital, signage and other event-related communication channels during the Event).

The publication of an abstract or a brief summary of a presentation in connection with the Event shall not, in itself, be regarded as publication of the full academic work or research findings.

18.2.2 The use by the Host and IGU may include publication on the official Event website, Event programme, registration platform, Event mobile application, printed and digital Event materials, presentation screens, digital signage, LED screens and other Event-related communication channels.

18.2.3 The licence granted under this Section does not transfer ownership of the copyright or other intellectual property rights in the Speaker's original work. The Speaker retains ownership of their intellectual property rights, subject to the rights granted to the Host and the IGU under these Terms and Conditions.

18.2.4 The Host and the IGU shall be entitled to make reasonable technical or editorial modifications to submitted materials where necessary for formatting, layout, translation, accessibility, technical compatibility or Event production purposes, provided that such modifications do not materially alter the substance of the Speaker's work.

The Host and the IGU shall make any amendments whilst respecting the Speaker's status as the author and the integrity of the work.

18.2.5 In the call for papers and, in other Deliverables for IGRC2027 the copyright below needs to be included and has to be accepted by everyone submitting a paper:

"This publication is issued under the auspices of the INTERNATIONAL GAS UNION (IGU) by the Author(s) cited.

The Author(s) and IGU hold joint copyright.

This publication may not be reproduced in whole or in part without the written permission of one of the abovementioned holders of the copyright.

Irrespective of the above, established journals and periodicals (hardcopy or digital) shall be permitted to reproduce all or part of this publication and presentation in abbreviated or edited form, subject to the Author(s) and IGU being credited."

18.2.6. Speakers shall submit their final abstracts by 16 April 2027. Following receipt and processing, the Host will progressively make the final abstracts available to registered Participants ahead of the Event, with access expected to begin in mid-April 2027, through the official Event website and/or Event mobile application. Access shall be restricted to registered Participants through appropriate access controls determined by the Host. The materials shall remain accessible for at least three months from the date they are first made available. Following the Event, the Host's use of the materials shall be limited to maintaining this access and transferring the materials to IGU as described below. After this access period, the deliverables will be passed to IGU, which will decide whether to publish them on the IGU website publicly accessible or make them available through a third party. The Speaker shall ensure that all documents presented at IGRC2027 shall be available electronically, preferred file format is Adobe Pdf. Any document presented as a printed report shall be submitted to the IGU in the format of Adobe InDesign or similar if future re-prints of the report in question are deemed necessary.

18.3. Recording and Use of Presentations

- 18.3.1 The Speaker acknowledges and agrees that presentations, speeches, panel discussions and other contributions delivered at the Event may be photographed, audio-recorded, video-recorded.
- 18.3.2 The Speaker grants IGU a non-exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free right to record, reproduce, edit for technical and production purposes, publish, communicate to the public and make available the Speaker's contribution to the Event, including the Speaker's presentation and participation in panel discussions, for the purposes of documenting, reporting on, promoting and communicating the Event and its outcomes. The Speaker and the IGU authorise the Host acting as the host organisation to use these materials for the purposes of the Event (f.e. copying, broadcasting to the public at the conference).
- 18.3.3 The rights granted under this Section shall not constitute a transfer of ownership of the Speaker's copyright or other intellectual property rights in the presentation or other original materials created by the Speaker.
- The Speaker acknowledges that audio and video recordings made during the Event may be processed using automated systems, including tools based on artificial intelligence, for the purposes of automatic transcription, subtitling, translation, ensuring searchability, archiving or other technical processing.
- 18.3.4 The Host and the IGU may use photographs and audiovisual recordings made during the Event for the purposes of documenting, promoting and communicating the Event. Such photographs and recordings may include the Speaker's image, voice and brief excerpts from the Speaker's presentation or contribution as part of general Event coverage, including in Event highlight videos, aftermovies, official websites, social media channels, video platforms and other official communication channels of the Host, the IGU or the Event. Such use shall not constitute the separate publication or exploitation of the Speaker's presentation or contribution in its entirety.

18.4. Speaker Photograph and Profile

- 18.4.1 As part of the Speaker registration process, each Speaker shall provide a recent photograph (headshot) and relevant professional profile information, such as their name, job title, organisation and short biography.
- 18.4.2 By submitting a photograph and profile information, the Speaker authorises the Host and the IGU to use and reproduce these materials in connection with the Event and its organisation, promotion, communication and documentation.
- 18.4.3 Such use may include, without limitation, the Speaker's Event badge, Event programme, official Event website, registration platform, Event mobile application, speaker introduction materials, presentation materials, printed materials, digital signage, LED screens, venue signage and other Event-related communication and visibility surfaces.
- 18.4.4 The Host and the IGU may also use the Speaker's name, professional title, organisation, photograph and biography in communications announcing or promoting the Speaker's participation in the Event, including before, during and after the Event.

- 18.4.5 The rights granted under this Section are limited to purposes related to the Event and shall not constitute consent to the use of the Speaker's photograph or personal information for unrelated commercial marketing or advertising activities.

18.5. Application to All Speakers

- 18.5.1 The provisions of this Section apply equally to all Speakers, irrespective of whether the Speaker was selected following an abstract submission, invited directly by the Host or the IGU, or otherwise designated as a keynote, strategic, invited or other Event speaker.
- 18.5.2 Where a Speaker submits an abstract as part of the Event selection process, the submission of the abstract and subsequent registration as a Speaker shall constitute confirmation of the warranties and rights set out in this Section.
- 18.5.3 Where a Speaker is invited directly by the Host or the IGU and is not required to submit an abstract as part of the selection process, acceptance of the invitation and registration for the Event shall constitute the Speaker's confirmation and acceptance of the applicable provisions of this Section.
- 18.5.4 By completing the Speaker registration process, the Speaker confirms that they have read, understood and accepted the provisions of this Section and that the information, materials, photograph and other content provided by them may be used in accordance with these Terms and Conditions.

18.6. Substitute Speaker

- 18.6.1 If a Speaker is unable to attend the Event or deliver their presentation for any reason, the Speaker shall inform the Host and/or the IGU as soon as reasonably practicable. The Host and/or the IGU may request or accept the appointment of a substitute speaker in place of the originally designated Speaker.
- 18.6.2 The appointment of any substitute speaker shall be subject to the prior approval of the Host and/or the IGU. Where applicable, the substitute speaker must be appropriately qualified and sufficiently familiar with the subject matter of the presentation.
- 18.6.3 The substitute speaker shall be subject to the same provisions of these Terms and Conditions and the provisions applicable to Speakers, Speaker Materials and Related Rights and Permissions as the originally designated Speaker.
- 18.6.4 The substitute speaker shall use the presentation materials submitted or approved by the originally designated Speaker, unless otherwise agreed with the Host. Where the content of the presentation is amended, the substitute speaker shall provide the amended materials to the Host in advance. Any materials submitted or presented by the substitute speaker shall be subject to all provisions applicable to Speaker Materials under these Terms and Conditions.
- 18.6.5 The substitute speaker shall comply with all applicable registration, administrative and other requirements relating to participation in the Event and delivery of the presentation.
- 18.6.6 Data processing: The Host processes the Speaker's personal data in accordance with the applicable GDPR regulation leaflet and uses it solely for the purposes of organising and marketing the Event. A detailed Privacy Notice can be found on the Website under [Legal | IGRC2027](#).