

Terms of Service for IDW 2023

The following terms and conditions apply to the registration and participation at the International Data Week 2023 (IDW 2023) conference, organized by the International Science Council's Committee on Data (CODATA) and the World Data System (WDS), and the Research Data Alliance (RDA), together with the Faculty of Digital and Analytical Sciences (Department of Artificial Intelligence & Human Interfaces and the Department of Geoinformatics – Z_GIS) at the University of Salzburg, Austria. The Department of Artificial Intelligence & Human Interfaces (AIHI) together with the Department of Geoinformatics – Z_GIS (Z_GIS) are the local hosts.

The terms and conditions are valid for all versions of implementation of the conferences.

1. Registration

Registration is only possible via the external platform ConfTool. The Department of Artificial Intelligence & Human Interfaces, as local host of IDW 2023, is licensee. A user account needs to be created in order to register for the conference. The registration becomes binding after finishing the registration process. Cancellation of participation will only be accepted as outlined under Point 4. A registration confirmation will be sent immediately via ConfTool. The invoice can be printed via the personal user account. The full amount is due within 10 working days of registration, or latest before the event start, and is payable via PayPal or bank transfer (to the University of Salzburg; account number IBAN: AT23 12000 0695 383 4602 / BIC: BKAUATWW), using the payment reference as indicated on the invoice when making the payment. For registrations close to the start of the event, participants are asked to bring proof of payment with them to check-in. A right to participate is guaranteed only after the full amount of the participation fee has been paid.

2. Fees

In order to participate at IDW 2023, please refer to the latest applicable fee information (<u>https://internationaldataweek.org/idw2023/registration/</u>). The fees include access to all events of the conference. Virtual access is different from on-site participation as outlined on our website. VAT is not applicable as the University is exempted from VAT according to the §18 University Act 2002.

3. Terms of Payment

All fees are listed in Euro. Participation fees need to be paid in full before the start of the event. Should a participant not fulfill the terms of payment, the organizer can deny access to the event.

4. Cancellation

Cancellation of participation must occur via email and be sent to <u>idw2023@plus.ac.at</u>. Except in the case of visa application denial (see below), all registration fees are subject to the below Cancellation & Refund conditions. If a notice of cancellation is received by September 22, 2023 (23:59, CET), an 80% refund of the registration fees paid will be granted. The remaining 20% of the fee contributes to administration costs incurred. Notifications received after September 22, 2023 (23:59, CET) are not refundable. In case of a no show without any notice received, the organizer will keep the entire fee. The cancellation fee will be waived if a replacement is identified by the registered participant. The organizer needs to be informed via email by the original participant (idw2023@plus.ac.at) prior to the start of the conference. Withdrawal according to the Consumer Protection Law: since registration to the event constitutes as an online sale, the customer has the right, according to the Consumer Protection Law, to withdraw from this contract within 14 working days (Saturday & Sunday, as well as Austrian public holidays do not constitute as working days), counted from the day of registration. Refund procedure:

For payments made by PayPal, the same account will be refunded. For all other payments, a bank transfer will be made to the participant's nominated account. Potential bank charges will be borne by the registrant.

Refund policy in the case of visa application denial:

If your visa application is unsuccessful, then you may cancel your registration and an 80% refund of the registration fees paid will be granted. The remaining 20% of the fee contributes to administration costs incurred. Cancellations will be accepted only if you have an official letter of visa rejection from the respective embassy or consulate. All cancellations must be submitted in writing with your visa rejection letter and invoice number before October 08, 2023 to idw@plus.ac.at

5. Discounts and Special Rates

In addition to the early bird rate, a special discount for participants from LMI countries as defined by the World Bank (<u>https://data.worldbank.org/country/XN</u>) and students is available. Find details at <u>https://internationaldataweek.org/idw2023/registration/</u>

6. Privacy Rights and Data Protection

All personal data will be treated as confidential. The organizers of International Data Week (IDW) 2023 will collect personal information directly from you only via the registration form fields—during either the online registration process or the onsite registration process.

The organizers will not collect personal information about you from any publicly available sources or via other means. Personal information is not gathered if you only browse the IDW 2023 website (www.internationaldataweek.org).

IDW 2023 uses Whova online conferencing platform to conduct the virtual part of the event. Registration details for this event and your personal data are stored on the servers of Whova. For the Whova Privacy Policy and information on how to opt out from Whova communications please visit <u>https://whova.com/privacy/</u>.

The organizers of IDW 2023 will use your personal information for only the following purposes, for which permission is requested:

- For activities directly related to the management of the conference (delegate badges, delegate numbers for specific activities, and for health and safety).
- To publish a delegate list (name, affiliation, country), but without contact details.
- To contact you with necessary and useful information about the conference (start times, logistical information, changes in programme, etc.).
- To provide public summary, non-identified information about delegates (i.e., numbers from different countries, gender balance, numbers in different professional roles).

- To contact you to request feedback about your experience at IDW 2023.
- To contact you about future International Data Week, SciDataCon conferences, and RDA Plenary Meetings (managed through an email list from which you may easily unsubscribe).
- The organizers of IDW 2023 will not give your personal information to any third party unless one of the following applies:
- You have specifically consented or requested us to do so (e.g., specific needs, participation in third party organized activities).
- You would reasonably expect that your information be passed on to the recipient as part of the provision of products or services to you ancillary to your registration for IDW 2023 (i.e., creation of name badges by the conference management company).
- It is required or authorized by law.
- It will prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to somebody's life or health.

You may easily contact the organizers of IDW 2023 to correct or request removal of any personal information held about you through the following email address: <u>idw2023@plus.ac.at</u>

7. Disclaimer

You consent to being filmed, taped, interviewed, photographed, and recorded (the 'Recordings') during and in connection with the Conference by IDW 2023 organizers, vendors, partners, affiliates, and/or representatives (the 'IDW Parties'). You also agree that the IDW Parties may use, publish, edit, incorporate, and otherwise exploit (and authorize others to do the same) the Recordings (including your name, voice, image, likeness, personality, situations, and conferences) as they deem fit to use them, including in connection with any promotional purposes, telecasts, advertising, exhibition, streaming, webcasting, reproduction, or other publication (the 'Uses') of these materials by and through any and all media regardless of the purpose of the Uses. Note that the Uses include only those that are not-for-profit, and the Recordings will all be CC-BY-NC licensed.

You release the IDW Parties, their employees, and each and all persons involved with the Conference from (i) any and all liability connected with the Recordings and the Uses, and (ii) any and all claims that you have or may have for infringement of proprietary rights, invasion of privacy, violation of the right of publicity, defamation, or any other cause of action you have or may have arising from or in connection with the foregoing. By entering the Conference premises, you waive all rights you may have to any claims for payment or royalties in connection with the Recordings and the Uses irrespective of whether a fee for admission or sponsorship is charged. By default, you waive any right to inspect or approve the Recordings and the Uses. You may, however, request to the IDW Parties to take down any image, which will be done in a timely manner if the request is deemed appropriate.

You waive and release the IDW Parties from present and future claims and all liabilities of any kind, known or unknown, arising from your participation in the Conference or related activities, even though such claim or liability may arise out of negligence or fault on the part of the IDW Parties. The IDW Parties shall not be liable for any personal injury, death, or property loss, and you release the IDW Parties and waive all claims with respect thereto. Moreover, you agree to hold harmless and indemnify the IDW Parties, from any and all liability from any property damage or personal injury to any third party resulting from your participation in the Conference.

You agree you have been fully informed of your consent, waiver of liability, and release before participating in the Conference.

8. Conference materials & programme

Although every effort is made to ensure that materials related to the Conference, such as maps, agendas, programmes, and so on are distributed to all attendees, this does not guarantee that every attendee will receive a copy of such materials. The organizers of IDW 2023 reserve the right at any time, in their sole discretion, to (i) refuse to accept or to retain any person as a registrant of the Conference, and (ii) make alterations to any part of the programme in any manner as deemed necessary or desirable.

9. Professional conduct

Registrants of the Conference agree to conduct themselves in a cordial manner. The organizers of IDW 2023 will not tolerate any registrant who creates a disturbance, or who is disrespectful to any other registrant, any member of the IDW Parties, speakers and attendees, exhibitors, volunteers, or staff. The organizers of IDW 2023 reserve the right, in their sole discretion, to investigate any complaint and to dismiss any registrant found to have violated the Code of Professional Conduct, without refund of registration fees.

10. Scope of services, Force Majeure

In numerous sessions and networking events, participants can exchange information and learn about topics of the Conference. The organizers of IDW 2023 assume no responsibility for the topicality, correctness, and completeness of the content of the Conference and its components. Announced lectures and speakers can be replaced by others.

If the Conference is canceled due to force majeure, cancellation of sessions, disruptions at the venue, or insufficient number of participants, registrants will be informed immediately. The Conference fee will be reimbursed in such cases. Claims for compensation of travel and accommodation costs, as well as loss of work, are excluded, unless such costs arise due to grossly negligent or intentional behavior on the part of the organizers of IDW 2023 or its contractors.