

# Conditions of Participation

## 1. Title of event

steinexpo 2026

## 2. Organizer and economic sponsor

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## 3. Idealistic and technical support

MIRO – German Aggregates Federation  
 www.bv-miro.org

UEPG – European Aggregates Association  
 www.uepg.eu

VDBUM – Association of the construction industry, environmental and mechanical engineering - www.vdbum.de

VDMA – German Engineering Federation  
 www.vdma.org

DA – Deutscher Abbruchverband e.V.  
 www.deutscher-abbruchverband.de

## 4. Place of issue

Plant Homberg/Nieder-Ofleiden  
 Quarry of Mitteldeutsche Hartstein-Industrie AG  
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## 5. Dates and opening times

Wednesday, September 2nd to Saturday, September 5th, 2026  
 daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## 6. Construction and dismantling periods

Stand construction: 24th August – 1st September 2026  
 Stand dismantling: 5th September – 10th September 2026  
 With dismantling before the end of the exhibition on the last day the trade fair organizer has the right to invoice a contract penalty amounting to € 500,00 excl. VAT.

## 7. Additional programmes of the Fair

Special announcement

## 8. Applications for space

Registration can only be completed online if you accept these Conditions of Participation and the Technical Guidelines. Conditions or reservations stated in registrations will not be taken into account. Special space requests, which are taken into account as far as possible, do not constitute a condition for participation. An exclusion of competition is not granted. Registration is binding, regardless of admission. The registration is not completed until it has been received by the trade fair company and is binding until admission or definitive non-admission.

## 9. Admission

Fundamentally, only those manufacturers are permitted to exhibit whose programme corresponds to the exhibition's list of exhibits. The decision as to whether a firm shall be permitted to participate or goods may be displayed shall rest with the Fair Authority. No legal claim to participate can be entertained. Exhibitors who have not met their financial engagements to the Fair Authority or have contravened the Conditions of Participation, Technical Regulations or legal provisions can be excluded from admission. Written confirmation will be given of the space reservation and shall apply only to the firm shown on the application form.

## 10. Allocation of space and space alterations

If the allocated space is not available, contrary to the communicated layout plan, the exhibitor is not entitled to a refund of the participation fee. There is no right to claim damages. If circumstances absolutely require it, the trade fair company can, after explaining the reasons, allocate a space in a different location or slightly change the size of the stand - deviating from the approval. It reserves the right to relocate the entrances and exits to the trade fair grounds and halls, as well as the passageways.

## 11. Pricing and payment

The participation fees (participation fees, registration fees, fees for advertising and disposal) result from the online registration, as are the partial payments.

If possible, the invoice for participation will be sent to the exhibitor at the same time as the admission and confirmation of space.

Invoicing is done directly by Geoplan GmbH.

Invoice changes and credits that were not caused by Geoplan will only be processed after charging a processing fee of €25 per change, excluding VAT.

Complaints must be made in writing immediately after receipt of the invoice. Later objections will not be accepted.

Invoices for other services or deliveries that are ordered separately are due from the time of the service or delivery, but no later than the invoice date.

If invoices are sent to a third party on the instructions of the exhibitor, the exhibitor remains the debtor.

If payment is delayed, interest of 2% above the respective German Bundesbank discount rate will be charged.

If the exhibitor fails to meet the payment deadlines (including because the area has not been fully paid for), the trade fair company can declare the contract invalid and dispose of it in another way. With regard to reimbursement of costs, Section 13 Paragraph 4 of the Terms and Conditions applies.

For all unfulfilled obligations, the trade fair company can retain the stand equipment and trade fair goods brought in by the exhibitors on the basis of the lien. Section 560 Sentence 2 of the German Civil Code does not apply.

If payment is not made within the set deadline, the trade fair company can sell the retained items privately after giving written notice. The trade fair company is not liable for damage to and/or loss of the pledged goods.

The payment dates stated in the invoice must be adhered to. Advance and full payment of the invoice amounts is a prerequisite for moving into the exhibition space, for being listed in the catalogue and for receiving exhibitor passes. Invoices for all additional costs (e.g. technical service, advertising materials) must be paid immediately upon receipt. All invoice amounts must be transferred in euros, without any deductions and free of charge, to one of the accounts stated in the invoice.

## 12. Co-exhibitors and group stands

Without the permission of the trade fair company, it is not permitted to hand over an assigned stand or parts thereof to third parties for a fee or without remuneration. Goods or companies that are not named in the approval may not be advertised on the stand.

The lessee must apply in writing to the exhibition company for the inclusion of a co-exhibitor. He has to pay a co-exhibitor fee of €1,400 to the trade fair company, in addition to which the sales tax is calculated and payable at the statutory rate for the time of the event.

The tenant of the stand always remains liable for the co-exhibitor fee. The co-exhibitor is subject to the same conditions as the main exhibitor.

Co-exhibitors are all companies that are on the stand alongside the main tenant

Exhibit or appear at your booth. They are also considered co-exhibitors if they have close economic or organizational relationships with the main tenant. Company representatives are not admitted as co-exhibitors. Manufacturers of such machines, devices and other products that are required to demonstrate an exhibitor's range of goods are not considered co-exhibitors. In cases of doubt, the trade fair management will decide.

If a co-exhibitor is admitted without consent, the trade fair company is entitled to terminate the contract with the exhibitor without notice and to have the stand cleared at the expense of the stand renter. In this respect, the stand renter waives the rights arising from prohibited self-authority.

The stand renter is not entitled to claims for damages.

Due to the entry conditions, co-exhibitors can be included in the catalog provided the fees have been paid and the documents are submitted on time.

The trade fair company can approve larger joint stands of exhibitors if they can be integrated into the technical structure of the event. For the rest, all provisions apply to every exhibitor.

If a stand is allocated to two or more companies, each company is jointly and severally liable to the trade fair company. The jointly exhibiting companies must name one of these companies as jointly responsible in the application.

### 13. Cancellation and non-participation

Cancellation of the registration is possible until admission. The cancellation fee is €1,400 plus VAT.

After approval, the exhibitor can no longer withdraw or reduce the stand area. The entire participation fee must be paid. The replacement of unoccupied areas by the trade fair company in order to maintain the overall visual appearance does not release the exhibitor from his payment obligation.

If the exhibitor waives the right to occupy the stand area allocated to him and the trade fair company can rent this area to someone else, the exhibitor must pay 25% of the participation fee, but at least the amount specified in paragraph 1.

If a co-exhibitor does not participate, the co-exhibitor fee must be paid in full.

If an application is made to open judicial composition or bankruptcy proceedings against the exhibitor's assets, or if such an application is rejected due to insufficient assets, the trade fair company is entitled to terminate the contract without notice. In any case, the exhibitor must inform the trade fair company immediately of the application for composition or bankruptcy proceedings. Paragraphs 1 to 5 apply accordingly.

Access controls and access restrictions are also possible.

### 14. Force Majeure, Pandemic Restrictions

14.1 Force majeure is an external event that has a massive impact on the contractual relationship, which is unforeseeable according to human insight and experience, cannot be prevented or rendered harmless with economically tolerable means even with the utmost care that can reasonably be expected given the situation. Force majeure entitles the contracting parties to adjust the contract and, if this is unreasonable, to withdraw from the contract. The withdrawal must be declared to the other contractual party in text form immediately, stating all the circumstances that justify the unreasonableness.

14.2 In the event of force majeure, the organizer is also entitled to postpone, shorten, extend or restrict the event in whole or in part, as well as to temporarily or permanently close it. In this case, the exhibitor has no claim to compensation for the damage incurred as a result.

14.3 The above provisions of Sections 14.1 to 14.2 apply accordingly to contracts (exhibitor registrations) that are concluded during the Covid-19 pandemic and for which it is not yet foreseeable which official and legal requirements will apply at the time of the planned event date.

For example, there may be a restriction on the number of people who are allowed to take part in the event.

Access controls and access restrictions are also possible.

### 15. Exhibits

Goods not included in the approved list shall not be exhibited. The Fair Authority shall be entitled to remove non-approved exhibits at the cost of the exhibitor.

Exhibits are not permitted to be removed from the stand during the event without the permission of the fair management.

### 16. Security

The trade fair company is responsible for general surveillance of the exhibition halls and the outdoor area. Guarding begins on the first day of assembly and ends with the closing hour of the last day of dismantling. The exhibition company is entitled to carry out the control measures required for security. The exclusion of liability for all damage to property and personal injury is not limited by the general security provided by the trade fair company.

### 17. Exhibitors passes

Upon Payment of the participation charges, each exhibitor will receive, free of charge, exhibitors passes (see Technical recommendations).

### 18. Access to stands of other exhibitors

Exhibitors have no right of access to other stands outside the official opening hours, unless permission is obtained from the parties that have rented the stands.

### 19. Sales regulations

Every exhibitor is permitted to deal in only those exhibits listed in the admission permit. No exhibits shall be removed from a display until after the exhibition has closed. The provisions of the Law must be complied with.

### 20. Promotional activities in the fairgrounds

Printed matter and advertising material may only be distributed within the rented stand, but not in the hall aisles or on the exhibition

grounds. With regard to outdoor advertising, further information can be found in the Technical Guidelines. Only trade fair-related advertising measures by exhibitors that do not violate legal regulations or morality or are not of an ideological or political nature are permitted. Comparative and superlative advertising is not permitted. The trade fair company is entitled to prohibit the issue and display of advertising material that could give rise to complaints and to secure existing stocks of this advertising material for the duration of the event.

### 21. Catalogue

The trade fair company is the publisher of the catalogue.

The exhibiting companies will be informed in detail by the organiser at a later date about the registration and insertion options. Compensation for incorrect, incomplete or non-existent entries is excluded. The client is responsible for the content of entries and any damage resulting from them. The trade fair catalogue and associated online offers are implemented exclusively by Stein-Verlag Baden-Baden GmbH. Other companies are expressly not authorised by the organiser. The exhibitor has no claim to compensation when booking services from non-authorized companies.

### 22. Insurance and exclusion of liability

In principle, the exhibitor is obliged to provide adequate insurance cover himself. The exhibition management only bears the general liability risk for the event. It takes out liability insurance (both personal injury and property damage) in order to be protected against claims for which it is held responsible on the basis of statutory liability provisions. This does not cover the risks of the individual exhibitors.

Any damage that occurs must be reported immediately to the police, the insurance company and the trade fair company.

The trade fair company assumes no duty of care for trade fair goods and stand equipment and excludes all liability for damage and loss. The exclusion of liability is also not limited by the security measures taken by the trade fair company.

The exhibitor is liable for damage caused by third parties while working for the exhibitor.

Otherwise, the trade fair company is only liable in the event of intent or gross negligence.

### 23. Patents and registered designs

The protection on inventions, samples and trade marks is determined by the legal regulations. A special exhibition protection does not exist.

### 24. Reservation clauses

If there are compelling reasons for which the trade fair company is not to blame, the trade fair company is entitled to postpone, shorten or extend the trade fair as well as the construction and dismantling or to temporarily close or cancel it in whole or in part. In such justified exceptional cases, as in all cases of force majeure, the exhibitors are not entitled to withdraw from the contract or to a reduction in the participation fee, nor to compensation.

If the trade fair does not take place for the aforementioned reasons, the exhibitor can be charged up to 25% of the participation fee for general reimbursement of costs. Higher individual amounts can only be charged if the exhibitor has commissioned additional fee-based services. If the exhibition company is responsible for the cancellation of the event, no amount is owed. A claim for damages against the exhibition company is excluded.

### 25. Domestic authority

The Fair Authority shall have full authority within the entire fairgrounds for the duration of the event, from the start of the construction period to the end of the dismantling period. Animals are not admitted to the fairgrounds. The Fair Authority reserves the right to issue instructions.

### 26. Verbal agreements

All verbal agreements, individual approvals and special arrangements must be confirmed in writing by the Fair Authority.

### 27. Period of limitation

All claims by exhibitors on the Fair Authority must be made within 6 months. Claims made thereafter will not be valid. The period of limitation starts at the end of the month in which the event closed.

### 28. Privacy

The information you provide will be recorded and stored in the GEOPLAN GmbH database. GEOPLAN GmbH uses your data, including your company details, to carry out the event. GEOPLAN GmbH passes on your personal data to third parties insofar as this is necessary for

the fulfillment of the contract between you and GEOPLAN GmbH. Your address, your e-mail address and company details will be used to inform you about GEOPLAN GmbH events by post or e-mail. You are entitled to object to the use of your data for advertising purposes at any time.

**29. Place of performance and jurisdiction**

The place of performance and place of jurisdiction for all mutual obligations is the registered office of the trade fair company. German law applies.  
The German text is binding.

**30. Escape clause**

Should any of the above terms prove null and void, the validity of the remaining „Conditios of Participation“ and the contract as a whole shall not be affected. Should any of the above terms prove null and void, it shall be deemed to been replaced by that term that best approximates the purpose of the original.