

Hypertension 2008

General Terms & Conditions

Registration

The Conference Venue as well as the social function locations are limited in their capacity. The organizers reserve the right to close the registration as soon as the maximum capacity is reached. If only segments of the registration are not available (e.g. a social function or tour), the registration will be processed without that segment. Refunds will be given for the booked items not available.

Only fully completed registration forms will be accepted. The registration will only be confirmed upon receipt of payment in full. If the registration form and payment are received by January 15, 2008, the early registration fee will be charged. From January 16, 2008, the standard registration fee will be charged automatically. The last day for pre-registrations is May 31, 2008. After this date, however, registrations are still possible on-site.

Daily registrations will not be provided.

To be eligible to register for the Conference, you must be at least 18 years old as of the first day of the Conference. You may be asked to present an official identity card stating your age.

The standard registration package for delegates includes admission to the Scientific Program, the Exhibition and Poster Area, as well as the Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception & Closing Ceremony, plus lunches (six days) and a Public Transportation Ticket (six days).

The basic registration package for delegates includes admission to the Scientific Program, the Exhibition and Poster Area as well as to the Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception & Closing Ceremony.

If the registration form and full payment are received no later than May 31, 2008, a Conference Bag containing the Final Program and Abstract Book is included in the standard and basic registration package for delegates. If the registration form and/or full payment are received later than May 31, 2008 (including on-site registrations), we do not guarantee that a Conference bag will be available. All Conference materials will be handed out on-site at the Conference materials counter.

By selecting the reduced fees option for students, nurses or young physicians, you confirm that you will prove your status by faxing (Fax: +49 30 24603 200) a photocopy of the student ID card or a letter verifying that you work in the hospital as a trainee or nurse or a proof of full-time enrollment at an accredited university or college within 2 weeks.

The Standard registration package for accompanying persons includes admission to the Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception and a Public Transportation Ticket (six days). A maximum of one accompanying person can be registered per delegate.

Registrations for more than ten persons will be handled separately as a group booking. Please contact the Conference Secretariat (hypertension2008@kit-group.org).

Methods of Payment

The registration fee must accompany all Conference registrations. Payment must be made in advance and in Euro (€) only, using one of the following methods:

1. If payment is effected offline by credit card, participants should complete and sign the relevant section of the registration form. Forms without a signature cannot be accepted.

2. If payment is effected by bank transfer, it should be made payable in Euro (€) to:

K.I.T. GmbH Association & Conference Management Group & Co. KG
Dresdner Bank AG, Kurfuerstendamm 237, 10719 Berlin, Germany

Account Holder:	K.I.T. GmbH & Co. KG
Bank Sorting Code (BLZ):	100 800 00
K.I.T. Account Number:	0514 026 200
SWIFT-CODE:	DRES DE BB
IBAN:	DE 04 1008 0000 0514 0262 00
Reference:	Hypertension 2008 / Your Name / Participant number

Please note: All transfer charges must be prepaid by the transmitter. Checks will not be accepted.

Letter of Confirmation

Registration to the Conference will be confirmed by a letter of confirmation / invoice after both the fully completed registration form as well as the payment have been received by the Hypertension 2008 Conference Secretariat. Participants must present this confirmation letter at the registration counter as proof of their registration.

Letter of Invitation

Individuals requiring an official Letter of Invitation may request one from the Hypertension 2008 Conference Secretariat. To receive a Letter of Invitation, delegates must first register to the Conference and submit payment in full. Letters of Invitation will not be sent after May 15, 2008.

The Letter of Invitation does not financially obligate the Conference organizers in any way. All expenses incurred in relation to the Conference are the sole responsibility of the delegate.

Visa Requirements

It is the sole responsibility of the delegate to take care of his/her visa requirements. Delegates who require an entry visa must allow sufficient time for the application procedure. Delegates should contact the nearest embassy or consulate to determine the appropriate timing of their visa applications.

The organizers will not directly contact embassies or consulates on behalf of visa applicants.

The registration fee minus a handling fee of € 30 will be refunded after the Conference if the visa was applied for in time and an official proof of the embassy confirming that a visa could not be granted is sent to the registration department.

Changes

Notification of changes (name changes, address changes etc.) must be made in writing and sent to the Hypertension 2008 Conference Secretariat. A handling fee of € 30 will be charged for any name change made to an already received Conference registration. A newly completed registration form for the

substitute participant must be sent to the Hypertension 2008 Conference Secretariat. Changes will be accepted only until May 15, 2008. After this date, all changes must be carried out on-site.

Cancellation of Registration

Notification of cancellation must be made in writing and sent to the Hypertension 2008 Conference Secretariat with a reference to a bank account, where a possible refund may be remitted to. A cancellation fee will be charged depending on the date of the cancellation. If the cancellation has been received before January 15, 2008 a cancellation handling fee of € 30 will apply. For cancellations received between January 16 and April 30, a cancellation handling fee of 50% of the total registration fee will apply. If cancellations are received later than April 30, registration fees will not be refunded. Credit will not be given for unattended events or early termination of attendance. All refunds will only be issued after the Conference.

Lost Name Badge

The name badge must be worn at all times during the Conference. Access to the Conference Venue will not be granted without a proper name badge. If a delegate loses, misplaces or forgets his name badge, a handling fee of € 30 will be charged for a new name badge.

Modification of the Program

The Conference organizers reserve the right to modify the program, which is published as an indication only.

Hotel Booking Procedures

Individual Booking

Hotel reservation: Accommodation will be allocated on a first come, first served basis upon receipt of the hotel booking form together with the credit card details. Without credit card details, the hotel booking form cannot be processed. K.I.T. Group will charge your credit card on April 2, 2008 with the entire amount due for your accommodation. The hotel or K.I.T. Group reserves the right to debit your credit card account with the amount due for accommodation and any subsequent changes (cancellation, no show charges) to the reservation. Should the selected hotels be sold out, K.I.T. Group reserves the right to book a hotel in a similar category and to charge the corresponding amount due. The hotel rates are subject to change. All participants are requested to reserve their accommodation before April 1, 2008. Accommodation bookings received after that date cannot be guaranteed. Changes of names and room types can be made through K.I.T. Group until May 31, 2008. Changes less than 2 weeks prior to arrival must be made directly with the hotel; cancellations must still be made with K.I.T. Group only.

Cancellation: Cancellations must be made in writing with K.I.T. Group at any time. For cancellations received before April 1, 2008, the payment will be refunded less the cost of the first night of your reservation as cancellation fee. After that date, no refund will be made. This also applies for a reduction in the length of stay if notified after April 1, 2008. All refunds will be processed after the Conference. No-shows will be released automatically by the hotel at 09h00 on the following day, and the accommodation fee will not be refundable.

Group Booking

For contracts and conditions regarding hotel group booking please contact the Conference Secretariat (hotels@hypertension2008.com) directly.

Tours

All tours are based on a minimum number of 25 participants. These tours will take place on a deluxe motor coach with an English speaking guide. Any entrance fees for planned museum or castle visits are included. The full day Potsdam tour includes a 3-course meal with 2 soft drinks or beers. Should the minimum participant number of 25 not be reached, K.I.T. Group reserves the right to cancel the tour. Prices may be subject to change for exceptional reasons beyond the control of K.I.T. Group. Tickets for sightseeing tours and excursions are not refundable, unless the tour is cancelled by K.I.T. Group for the above-mentioned reason.

Data Protection and Sharing of Contact Details

The acquisition, handling (which includes saving data, changes, transmission, blocking and erasing) and utilization of all personal registration data is executed within the guidelines of the effective data protection regulations.

K.I.T. Group will collect and store all personal data for the preparation and execution of the Hypertension 2008 Conference. Data will not be passed on to third parties, with the exception of future Conference organizers.

Your name badge has a barcode and can be used like a business card to give your contact details to Conference exhibitor and/or satellite holder. In this case you decide to whom you provide your data. Please note that offering your badge to be scanned at an exhibition stand and/or at the entrance to a satellite symposium implies your acceptance that the respective company receives your complete contact details from K.I.T. Group and may contact you, using this data.

Cancellation of the Conference

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

Under these circumstances, the organizers reserve the right to either retain the entire registration fee and to use it for a future Conference, or to reimburse the delegate after deducting costs already incurred for the organization of the Conference and which could not be recovered from third parties.

Liability

K.I.T. Group shall be liable in the framework of a duty of care as a respectable businessman according to statutory provisions. The liability of K.I.T. Group – for whatever legal reason – shall be limited to intent and gross negligence. The liability of commissioned service providers shall remain unaffected by this. All participants shall take part in the Conference and all events in relation to the Conference at their own risk. Oral agreements shall not be binding if these have not been confirmed in writing by K.I.T. Group.

Fulfillment and Jurisdiction

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