

Compliance Guidelines of the AIKW

The AIKW has defined the following compliance guidelines for all events, meetings and conferences.

Purpose of the Compliance Guidelines

Our Compliance Rules are intended to discover risks of corruption and prevent the violation of rules of competition.

Any violations of these Compliance Standards may harm the good reputation of our Association as well as of the companies of the conference participants. Violations may have severe consequences in the form of indemnity payments, fines or punishments for the companies and individuals who are made liable for such violations.

Conference Guidelines

Any talks between participants of the Conference or meetings organized by AIKW shall not cover any topics other than those required to discuss the agenda of the Conference.

It is prohibited to communicate any sensitive and competitive data with competitors.

The participants must not exchange information relating to their competitive activities, especially but not limited to the pricing and marketing of their products, costs, customers, output or capacity strategies, procurement of input or raw materials, and technical innovations.

This includes, but is not limited to information on:

- current prices, price components, price-relevant factors, price calculations and calculation elements, price increases or price reductions, costs,
- production and supply volumes, quotations, sales, sales figures, market shares, customers, suppliers, exports, sales territories, terms and conditions,
- production capacities, capacity utilization, production planning, stock levels and inventory reach, delivery times,
- investments, shutdowns, production constraints, downtimes, future development of certain products, strategies,
- Forward-looking information from which conclusions may be drawn as to the future business behaviour of a competitor.

Commitment of participants in conferences and meetings

Each and every person participating in conferences and meetings organized by AIKW commits himself/herself to observing the AIKW compliance rules and to refraining from any discussion or, if necessary, to immediately stopping discussions on any of the above listed items and similar topics.

This commitment applies to the presentation sessions, the evening program, the works visits and any other contacts between any of the participant throughout the duration of the Conference.

