

Regulations governing Participation in a Dynamic Negotiation, Request for Quotation and all other Events performed through the Purchase Portal of IEG (Italian Exhibition Group)

PART I: GENERAL PRINCIPLES AND PROVISIONS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 A Dynamic negotiation consists in a mechanism for establishing, by electronic means, the necessary elements for entering into commercial transactions, namely the dynamic definition of price and other contractual conditions regarding the exchange of goods (the **Goods**) and/or services (the **Services**) (the **Dynamic Negotiation**).
- 1.2 The request for quotation is defined as the request to send and consequently submit, all by electronic means, a binding financial quotation and/or a binding indication of the technical-pricing terms and conditions in relation to the exchange of goods and services (the **Request for Quotation** or the **RFQ**).
- 1.3 The Dynamic Negotiation and the Request for Quotation shall take place between IEG (Italian Exhibition Group) (the **Buyer**) and one or more Suppliers, with each Party operating within the range of its business, professional or institutional activity and registered on the Portal, through the submitting of quotations (**Quotations**) on the Platform.
- 1.4 The Regulations define methods for the implementation of a Dynamic Negotiation, Request for Quotation and all other events performed by means of the Platform in addition to the obligations and the rules that Buyer and Suppliers are to comply with throughout the duration of an Event. Further specific provisions relating to the implementation of each Event, binding for both Buyer and Suppliers, are expressed in the Letter of Publication as well as in the Platform's dedicated information sections.
- 1.5 The general principles that govern the implementation of Events and participation therein are the equality of conditions for all participants, transparency, good faith, fairness, confidentiality of information and compliance with the Law.
- 1.6 For reasons of clarity, terms starting with a capital letter but not specifically defined in the Regulations, shall bear the meaning as given in "**General terms and conditions for Supplier participation in events conducted through the Purchase Portal of IEG – Italian Exhibition Group**" (the **General Conditions**).

2. NOTIFICATIONS RELATING TO EVENTS

- 2.1 All actions and communications between the Buyer and the Suppliers, at every stage of the Event (including the preliminaries, progress, award and any possible suspensions, interruptions, resumptions and/or cancellations), may be implemented under two separate operating modes and/or by a combination of both: a) on-line; b) off-line. The actual availability of both operating modes shall be at Buyer's discretion; the Buyer and Suppliers are bound to utilize the available operating mode.
- 2.2 The on-line operation implies that the Suppliers upload data and Quotations, communicate with Buyer and express their will by clicking on the appropriate icons available on the Platform and/or using the messaging tool of the Platform.
- 2.3 The off-line operation implies that the Suppliers communicate with Buyer, by sending and receiving information, data, instructions and expressions of will via fax, e-mail or telephone. In case of telephone communication, Buyer shall be entitled, in compliance with applicable the Law, to record the conversation taking place with the Suppliers. Suppliers hereby acknowledge and accept that the recordings made by Buyer shall serve as a full proof of facts and circumstances reported therein.

3. PRELIMINARY PHASES

- 3.1 Buyer, in order to create an Event, will publish on the Portal the data regarding the Event (the **Data**).
- 3.2 Buyer shall forward to Suppliers, through the Platform, an invitation to participate in the Event itself, thereby making all Data available in the personal folders of invited Suppliers (**Suppliers' Personal Folders**), provided the Suppliers have been registered on the Portal and activated to participate in the Events.
- 3.3 Buyer shall be entitled, at its discretion, to subordinate the participation in the Events of one or more Suppliers to the issue by the Suppliers of appropriate legal guarantees.
- 3.4 Buyer shall be entitled to amend the Data, including Platform configuration parameters, prior to the start of the Event (the **Amendments**), by notifying Suppliers.

- 3.5 Suppliers' acceptance of Buyer's invitation to participate in the Event is implicit subsequent to the issue of a Quotation during the course of the Event and the participation therein implies full and unconditional acknowledgement and acceptance of both Data and Amendments, including acceptance of Platform configuration parameters as defined by Buyer.

4. IMPLEMENTATION OF EVENTS – GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 4.1 Buyer and Suppliers acknowledge that for the entire duration of the Event, including preliminary and subsequent stages, and to the purpose of its implementation, closure, award and possible interruption, suspension, resumption and/or cancellation, the Quotations forwarded, the notifications submitted, the official schedule as well as elapsed time shall be only those displayed on the Platform and, as the case may be other recording and telecommunications equipment of the Buyer or of BravoSolution, which makes the technology available, and such recordings shall constitute full evidence of the reported facts and circumstances.
- 4.2 In case of discrepancies, Quotations effectively placed and entered in the Platform shall prevail on the contents of a file, attachments and other documents submitted or made available by Suppliers during the Event.
- 4.3 The Suppliers acknowledge that the system will not allow them to view the identity of the other Suppliers during the course of the Event.
- 4.4 Notification of awarding or non-awarding to bidders in the Event is managed by Buyer subsequent to the conclusion of the Event, after allowing for an adequate period of time for the required technical evaluations. Possible electronic notifications of awarding and/or non-awarding of the Event sent via the Platform upon Event closure shall be considered as temporary and subject to a technical evaluation and shall in no way represent any obligation towards Suppliers as an additional and specific confirmation in this regard is necessary.
- 4.5 Each Event is configured according to that Platform parameters configuration selected by Buyer. Parameters configuration adopted for each Event is described in the Suppliers' Personal Folders, in the information sections of the Platform and/or in the Letter of Publication. Participation in the Event by Suppliers shall be deemed as implying complete acknowledgement of the configuration options defined by Buyer and their unconditional acceptance.
- 4.6 Should a Dynamic Negotiation derive from a previously conducted Request for Quotation Event, Suppliers shall acknowledge and accept that the Quotations forwarded during the Request for Quotation stage may represent, upon Buyer's decision and following a notification to Suppliers, the initial Quotation by each Supplier presented in the subsequent Dynamic Negotiation.

PART II: DYNAMIC NEGOTIATION EVENTS

5. IMPLEMENTATION OF A DYNAMIC NEGOTIATION – SPECIFIC PROVISIONS

- 5.1 Every Dynamic Negotiation operates through the issue and on-line and real time upload of progressively decreasing Quotations by Suppliers up until the closure of the Event, in accordance with implementation procedures and Platform parameters configuration options defined in the Letter of Publication and in the information sections of the Platform.
- 5.2 Buyer shall reserve the right to decline the quotation of the Supplier which turns out to be ten or more Minimum Decrements (as defined in the course of Platform parameter configuration) below the amount of the previous quotation submitted in the implementation of the Event by one of the Suppliers ("**Anomalous Quotation**"). In such a case, BravoSolution, which shall assist Buyer in the implementation of the Dynamic Negotiation, shall alert the Supplier concerning the Anomalous Offer, and Buyer shall have the faculty to delete the Anomalous Quotation, which it shall notify to the Supplier and shall be entitled to bar the Supplier from taking further part in the Dynamic Negotiation. Buyer shall be entitled to set a different definition of Anomalous Quotation for each Event as well as exclude from the Event all quotations that stand out for their anomalous characteristics.
- 5.3 Buyer shall be entitled to attribute a Weighted Coefficient, in its absolute discretion, to the Quotations submitted by Suppliers during the course of the Event, based on various elements relating to the Supplier and the nature of the quotation, such as, by way of example only, the technical features and the quality of products offered, the terms and conditions of payment and delivery ("Weighted Coefficients"). Should Weighted Coefficients be applied to an Event, Suppliers are notified of the utilization of such option by Buyer. Weighted Coefficients shall not be altered once an Event has started and shall therefore remain

fixed and unchanged throughout the duration of the Event, and its awarding. The Suppliers acknowledge that Weighted Coefficients shall not be communicated to them. In case of Event being implemented through the application of Weighted Coefficients, the amounts related to the Quotations issued during the Event by other Suppliers shall be made known to each Supplier as modified by the application of the Weighted Coefficients.

- 5.4 Buyer shall be entitled to set an initial price for the Event (Base Price) and a target price below which Buyer wishes to award the Event in compliance with the awarding rules of the Dynamic Negotiation (Reserve Price).
- 5.5 The Dynamic Negotiation shall be deemed closed at the date and time Buyer has defined through pre-set closing mechanisms; it is acknowledged however that Buyer shall have full discretion to award the the Dynamic Negotiation or not, as shall be notified through a specific written communication..

PART III: REQUEST FOR QUOTATION AND OTHER EVENTS

6. IMPLEMENTATION OF A REQUEST FOR QUOTATION – SPECIFIC PROVISIONS

- 6.1 Each Event operates through the issue and on-line upload of Quotations by Suppliers up until the closure of the Event, in accordance with implementation procedures and Platform parameter configuration options defined in the Letter of Publication and in the information sections of the Platform.
- 6.2 The issue of the invitation to Suppliers is the start of the Event.
- 6.3 The Event shall be closed at the date and time defined by Buyer.
- 6.4 Each Supplier has the faculty to prepare and submit one or more Quotations in the time frame between the starting and closing date and time of the Event. It is understood that the last Quotation from each Supplier submitted to Buyer prior to Event closing date shall be the one taken into consideration by Buyer in the awarding process.
- 6.5 Irrespective of the Buyer's configuration options, Buyer shall evaluate Quotations in a discretionary fashion and upon closing of the Event, Buyer shall reserve the right not to accept any Quotation from Suppliers and/or not to award the Event at all.
- 6.6 Subsequent to the closing of an Event, Buyer shall notify those Suppliers that have submitted one or more Quotations, the outcome of the Event and its possible subsequent conversion into a Dynamic Negotiation.
- 6.7 Buyer shall be entitled to award the Event to one of the Suppliers participating in the Event at a price which is different from the amount entered in the Quotation submitted. It is understood that the winning bidder, in such case, shall be entitled to reject the awarding of the Event. Should the Supplier decide to accept the awarding, the price of the Goods and/or the Service shall be settled between Buyer and the Supplier.

7. OTHER TYPES OF EVENTS (RFx)

- 7.1 Buyer shall be entitled to perform on the Platform other types of Events, bearing characteristics similar to the Request for Quotation (for example: requests for information), defined hereinafter as **RFx Events**.
- 7.2 In case RFx Events are implemented, they shall be subjected to the same provisions featured in Parts I & IV and, wherever applicable, provisions of Part III of Regulations. All possible specific provisions related to a given RFx Event, Regulation waivers, additional definitions as well as implementation systems, are stated in the Letter of Publication and/or in the information sections of the Platform.
- 7.3 Through participation in a RFx Event, the Supplier shall fully and unconditionally accept the rules of the Event as stated in the Regulations, wherever applicable, in the Letter of Publication and/or in the information sections of the Platform.

PART IV: FINAL SHARED PROVISIONS FOR ALL TYPES OF EVENTS

8. SUSPENSION AND/OR CANCELLATION OF THE EVENT

- 8.1** Buyer shall be entitled, due to a just cause, to suspend the Event for a length of time deemed appropriate by issuing a communication to all Suppliers.
- 8.2** In case of a technical breakdown or malfunctioning of IT, technological devices, telephone connections and/or recording equipment that may jeopardize the regular course of the Event, Buyer shall be entitled to suspend the Event until all the necessary measures have been adopted for its repair and resumption. Buyer, in such cases, shall reserve the right to cancel or reopen the Event even after its termination, with no liability whatsoever towards the Suppliers.
- 8.3** In case of suspension and/or reopening pursuant to the Articles above, the date and time for resumption of the Event and the time remaining shall be defined by Buyer and immediately notified to all Suppliers. Unless otherwise agreed, the Event shall be resumed on the basis of the last quotation submitted by Suppliers and recorded by Buyer systems, which must be considered as valid to all effects.
- 8.4** Should the connection to the Platform of one or more Suppliers fail, for whatever reason, Buyer shall be entitled, based entirely on its judgement of the circumstances, to suspend the Event, or allow for its reopening even after its closing or continue with its execution through the entry of quotations in the Platform through the alternative off-line bidding mode, as defined in Art. 2.3, without incurring any liability whatsoever towards Suppliers.
- 8.5** In addition to the cases provided for in the Articles above, Buyer shall be entitled, based entirely on its judgement, to suspend and/or cancel the Event at any moment in time, including after its closing, through a routine e-mail notification to the Suppliers, without incurring any liability whatsoever towards the Suppliers.
- 8.6** Buyer shall be entitled, in its unquestionable judgement, to bar from taking part in the Event any Supplier responsible for or accused of violations to the obligations set forth under Articles 1.5, 5.2, 9 and 11, without incurring any liability whatsoever towards the Suppliers, and shall reserve the right to compensation for any damages incurred as a result of such violations. Such a ban on Suppliers shall come into force through a routine e-mail communication to their respective address.

9. OBLIGATIONS AND GUARANTEES OF THE BUYER AND SUPPLIERS

- 9.1** Buyer and Suppliers shall agree amongst themselves the conditions and time frame within which to evaluate, fairly and in good faith, whether the Goods and/or Services offered comply with the description made as well as the quality promised by the Suppliers.
- 9.2** The Suppliers acknowledge Buyer's right to subordinate their participation in the Event to the prior issue of adequate guarantees acting in support of the seriousness and irrevocability of Quotations.
- 9.3** Buyer and Suppliers shall adopt all possible precautions and technical measures for safeguarding the security of all data and commercial information exchanged during the Event, in addition to barring access to the same by un-authorized personnel.
- 9.4** The Data shall be deemed as of the essence with regard to the Goods and/or Services trading contract that may be stipulated upon conclusion of the Event (the **Trading Contract**) between Buyer and the awarded Supplier.
- 9.5** The Buyer and Sellers acknowledge that the Trading Contract, as well as its negotiation, conclusion and implementation, shall be exclusively a two-way act, and that BravoSolution is to be deemed in any case extraneous to any of such negotiation successful/unsuccessful conclusion and/or performance.
- 9.6** The Buyer and Sellers acknowledge that BravoSolution provides exclusively, in an autonomous and independent fashion, all Platform related utilisation and assistance services, in consideration for which the Fees agreed for the Event are due, and that it shall not take part and/or intervene in negotiations for the conclusion of the Trading Contract. The Buyer and Sellers therefore acknowledge that all fees owed to BravoSolution in relation to the Event shall in no way be related to the conclusion of the Trading Contract, the issue or acceptance of a purchase or selling order and/or possible claims, of whatever nature, that may arise between the Buyer and Sellers prior to, during or subsequent to the Event.

10. OBLIGATIONS & GUARANTEES OF THE BUYER

- 10.1** Buyer pledges its full compliance with procedures, obligations and principles set forth under the Regulations.
- 10.2** Whenever the Event closes with an awarding, Buyer undertakes towards the Suppliers, in compliance with the provisions set forth under the Method of Awarding, to enter into the Trading Agreement with the Awarded Supplier resulting from the Event, save where the Awarded Supplier has been in breach of obligations stated in Arts. 1.5, 9 and 11 and in Art. 10.3 below.

10.3 Buyer shall be entitled to subordinate the stipulation of the Trading Contract or its effectiveness to the fulfilment of all conditions possibly stated in the Letter of Publication or in other agreements with Suppliers.

11. OBLIGATIONS AND GUARANTEES OF THE SUPPLIERS

11.1 The Suppliers pledge their full compliance with procedures, obligations and principles set forth in the General Conditions and Regulations.

11.2 Each Supplier undertakes towards Buyer to maintain its Quotations firm for the entire duration of the Event and throughout the period necessary for its awarding and the stipulation of the Trading Contract but in any case, unless otherwise agreed between the parties, not beyond 12 months from the starting date of the Event. In case of a Request for Quotation followed by a Dynamic Negotiation, each Supplier undertakes to maintain its Quotations firm throughout the whole duration of the Dynamic Negotiation, including the time necessary for awarding.

11.3 The Awarded Supplier undertakes to enter into the Trading Contract with the Buyer. Failure to do so shall entitle Buyer to seek damages.

11.4 Should the Awarded Supplier, for whatever reason, decline the award of the Event or not enter into the Trading Contract with Buyer, the Suppliers acknowledge that Buyer shall have the right, at any moment in time, including after the final awarding notification, to cancel the final awarding and proceed with the awarding of the Event to another bidding Supplier, which shall be bound to all the obligations set forth under Art. 11.3.

11.5 The Suppliers shall guarantee to Buyer:

- a) that they shall retain ownership and availability of the Goods and/or Services for the entire duration of the Event and up until its final awarding and the execution of the Trading Contract;
- b) that they shall supply a precise, truthful, honest and fair description of the Goods and/or Services to be supplied;
- c) that they shall refrain from troubling the proper course of the Event through behavior and conduct which may be deemed anti-competitive, unlawful, anti-regulatory or in violation of third-party rights, such as, by way of example only, the fixing of prices or other conditions between some Suppliers to the detriment of others, the issuing of Anomalous Quotations, etc.;
- d) that they shall refrain from marketing Goods and/or Services of doubtful or illegal origin; counterfeit Goods and/or Services manufactured in violation of third-party rights and/or national and international regulations safeguarding industrial and intellectual property; Goods and/or Services of any nature the sale of which is forbidden by Law or applicable regulations;
- e) to offer goods and/or services manufactured and/or provided in compliance with all applicable laws and in any case European standard rules regarding the health and safety of workforce, the protection of the environment, and to provide, where required, the necessary certifications.

12. AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS

12.1 Suppliers acknowledge and accept that Buyer can amend the Regulations at any point in time through publication of a notification on the Portal or, at Buyer's discretion, by means of an e-mail or fax sent to the Suppliers.

12.2 Amendments to Regulations shall come into force as of the date indicated in the notification or in the communication as provided for in the previous paragraph, but in any case, no earlier than 15 days from the communication. Such amendments are deemed to have been tacitly and unconditionally accepted by the Suppliers through continued use of User ID and/or participation in Events.

12.3 However, following the notification or communication mentioned in Art. 12.1, Suppliers maintain the faculty to recede from the General Conditions.

General Terms and Conditions for participation in Events conducted through the purchase portal of IEG (Italian Exhibition Group)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 IEG (hereafter the **Buyer**) is the owner of the purchasing portal www.illy-procurement.bravosolution.com (the **Portal**).
- 1.2 IEG and its subsidiaries operate the Portal in order to buy goods and services on their own behalf.

2. SCOPE

- 2.1 The scope of this agreement (the **General Conditions**) is to define the terms and conditions under which certain parties, operating within the range of their own business, institutional or professional activities (the **Supplier** or the **Suppliers**), can take part as suppliers, when invited, in dynamic negotiation, request for quotation as well as other events (the **Events**), organized by the Buyer, through BravoSolution's Technological Platform (the **Platform**), featuring proprietary hardware and software.
- 2.2 The implementation of Events shall be governed by the "Regulations governing participation in a Dynamic Negotiation, Request for Quotation and all other Events performed through the Purchase Portal of IEG." (the **Regulations**) annexed to the General Conditions. The General Conditions and the Regulations shall represent the full and complete Agreement between each Supplier and the Buyer (the **Agreement**).

3. REGISTRATION TO THE BUYER'S PORTAL – PARTICIPATION IN EVENTS

- 3.1 The mandatory condition for utilizing the Platform is registration and qualification to the Buyer's Websites (the **Websites**). To this purpose, the Supplier shall communicate to the Buyer, truthful and accurate personal information and any other details deemed necessary or useful by the Buyer for identifying the Supplier (the **Registration Data**).
- 3.2 Upon registration, the Supplier shall choose one or more identification code(s) (**User ID**) and be granted one or more Password(s) (**Password(s)**). The registration shall be deemed completed upon the Buyer activating the **Password** and **User ID**.
- 3.3 **User ID** and **Password** are strictly personal and non-transferable. The Supplier pledges not to disclose them to third parties and to store and safeguard them with the utmost care. The Supplier shall be held solely accountable for their use by third parties and, in any case, shall immediately notify the Buyer in case of their theft or loss.
- 3.4 Following the activation of **User ID** and **Password**, the Supplier, where invited, can participate in the Events through a personal computer, featuring a Web browser, connected to the Internet, in compliance with the minimum system requirements defined at the time by the Buyer. Purchase, installation and configuration of Supplier's hardware and software are the sole responsibility of the Supplier.
- 3.5 The implementation of Events shall be governed, in addition to the Regulations, by a letter of publication, if any, specific to the Event or to a series of Events (the **Letter of Publication**) as well as by the provisions and definitions published online in the relevant information section of the Platform.
- 3.6 The Supplier shall designate a party authorized to operate on the Platform (**Main Account**) by specifying his/her name in the appropriate space provided in the last page of this Agreement. In the absence of any specific designation, the signatory to the Agreement is implied as the Main Account.
- 3.7 The Buyer grants the Supplier the right to: (i) authorize other persons to operate on the Platform (the **Operating Accounts**); (ii) cancel such authorization, extend or limit feature access to the Operating Accounts. It is understood that the Buyer shall be entitled, at its complete discretion, to decline the request for authorization and/or extension of Operating Accounts forwarded by the Supplier.

4. OBLIGATIONS AND GUARANTEES OF THE SUPPLIER

- 4.1 With regard to Platform utilization, the Supplier agrees to:
 - (i) comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the General Conditions, the Regulations and the Letter of Publication;
 - (ii) refrain from any conduct or practice which may be deemed anti-competitive, illegal, unlawful or in violation of third party's rights and from spreading false, deceitful and illicit information;
 - (iii) treat data and information pertinent to each Event as strictly classified and confidential;
 - (iv) use and configure its own software and hardware so as to ensure the security of Events from the information technology standpoint.
 - (v) where provided for and in any case ruled by a specific document, pay to BravoSolution the Fee agreed from time to time with the Buyer with reference to the Events in which it shall participate.

- 4.2 With regards to Platform utilization, the Supplier declares and guarantees full ownership rights to and the availability of all data, information and contents provided to the Buyer. The Supplier also guarantees that the use of such data, information and content pursuant to the Agreement shall not constitute breach of any third party's rights, laws and/or regulations.

5. TERMINATION – RIGHT OF WITHDRAWAL

- 5.1 Buyer shall have the right to rescind the Agreement where the Supplier is in breach of even one of its obligations pursuant to Articles 4 and 7.2 and where the Supplier is facing bankruptcy or other similar legal proceedings.
- 5.2 Without prejudice to the provisions of Art. 5.3 below, both the Buyer and the Supplier shall have the right to withdraw from the Agreement at any time following a communication sent via fax or via e-mail, and confirmed through registered mail with acknowledgement of receipt.
- 5.3 The Supplier shall not exercise its right of withdrawal during the implementation of an Event in which the Supplier is a participant, including the awarding phase of the Event.

6. BUYER LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND ABSENCE OF WARRANTIES

- 6.1 Buyer shall in no way be deemed liable for any damage to the Supplier as a result of the utilization, malfunctioning, delayed or failed access and/or interruption or suspension in the use of the Platform including lost commercial opportunities, missed earnings, loss of data, damage to company prestige, request for damages and/or claims from Third Parties, caused by:
- a) "Force Majeure", that is to say, by way of example only: failure of power supply or telephone lines or network connection caused by third parties, strikes, industrial unrest, wars, government or civil or military reasons, embargoes, acts of vandalism and terrorism, epidemics, floods, earthquakes, fires and other natural disasters;
 - b) incorrect use of the Platform by Supplier;
 - c) flaws in the connectivity equipment used by Supplier;
 - d) breakdown of Buyer's information technology systems, telecommunications and/or computing equipment for a period of time not exceeding 30 days.
- 6.2 The Supplier acknowledges and accepts that: (i) Buyer reserves the right to interrupt and/or suspend the utilization of the Platform and/or revoke the registration and activation at any moment in time through a routine notification to the Supplier without incurring any liability; (ii) the Platform can be used as is, devoid of guarantees of any nature; the Supplier shall therefore waive any warranty, specific or implied, including, by way of example only, the guarantee of compatibility for a specific use or scope; (iii) the obligations undertaken by the Buyer hereunder are a best endeavors obligation and by no mean an obligation to achieve any result; (iv) the Buyer does not guarantee the legal capacity and/or the good faith of any user of the Platform; (v) Buyer does not guarantee access to, truthfulness and completeness of, law-compliance and respect of third party rights by the contents of any web site to which users may be referred to through possible links inserted on the Portal;

7. INDUSTRIAL AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 7.1 The contents and information provided to the Supplier through the Websites, the Platform and the software are Buyer's property, or licensed from a third party, and are protected by copyright or other intellectual property rights (inclusive of data base rights).
- 7.2 The Supplier pledges not to download, reproduce, transmit, sell or distribute, in whole or in part, in any form or fashion, the contents and the information available on the Websites or received via the Platform without Buyer's specific written authorisation and for any other purpose than that of permitting access to Portal and utilization of the Platform.
- 7.3 The Supplier acknowledges that all Registration Data, as well as the data and information provided subsequently, shall be entered in a data base set up by Buyer on an exclusive-ownership basis.
- 7.4 During the whole Contract duration, the Supplier grants to the Buyer, free of charge and without geographical limitation, the nonexclusive right to use one of more of its distinctive marks in order to perform the obligations hereunder.

8. NOTIFICATIONS

- 8.1 All communications pertinent to the Agreement shall be submitted via e-mail, to the address the Supplier has provided to Buyer upon registration; Notifications may also be sent by fax or by registered mail with acknowledgement of receipt, concerning the Supplier, to the address the Supplier has provided to Buyer; concerning Buyer, to the address reported in the "need help" section on the Portal.

9. AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 9.1** The Supplier acknowledges that Buyer can amend the General Conditions at any point in time through a notification via fax or via e-mail to the Supplier.
- 9.2** The Amendments shall be understood to have been tacitly accepted by the Supplier should Buyer not have received, within 15 days of the notification made according to section 10.1 above, a communication from the Supplier expressing his refusal of the amendments. In any case, the Supplier's continued use of the Platform shall imply unconditional acceptance of the amendments by the Supplier.
- 9.3** It is understood that the Supplier's acceptance of amendments shall not be partial and shall refer to them as a whole.
- 9.4** However, following the notification mentioned in Art. 10.1, above, the Suppliers maintains the faculty to withdraw from the General Conditions.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY OF COMMERCIAL INFORMATION – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY

- 10.1** The data and commercial information relating to the implementation of each Event shall be treated by Buyer as strictly confidential and reserved.
- 10.2** Buyer shall adopt the most suitable technical and procedural measures in order to guarantee information technology security during the course of the Events.

11. APPLICABLE LEGISLATION AND COURT OF LAW

- 11.1** Controversies relating to the interpretation, execution or resolution of the Agreement, shall be addressed in accordance with Italian legislation and assigned to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court of Trieste

The Supplier hereby acknowledges subsequent to careful reading to specifically accept the provisions contained in the following Articles: Art. 3.6 (Designation of Main Account), Art. 3.7 (Activation of Operating Accounts), Art. 4 (Obligations and Guarantees of the Supplier), Art. 5 (Termination – Disclaimer of Agreement), Art. 6 (Buyer Limitation of Liability and Absence of Warranties), Art. 7 (Industrial and Intellectual Property Rights), Art. 10 (Amendments to Conditions for the Supplier), Art. 12 (Applicable Legislation and Court of Law).