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1. Scope

These General Terms and Conditions apply to all Scholar in Residence awards made by the WCGE as part of the Doctoral Academy "Business and Leadership Ethics." By submitting an application, applicants accept these conditions. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the following provisions apply.

2. Application and Award

Applications are submitted via the application portal specified on the WCGE website. The applicant's submission constitutes a binding offer. The award is confirmed upon receipt of a written notification from the WCGE. The award is personal and non-transferable. Timing and logistics of the residency are agreed individually between the Scholar and the WCGE.

3. Stipend and Cost Reimbursement

The Scholar in Residence receives a weekly stipend of €800 to cover accommodation and food expenses. Travel costs are reimbursed up to a maximum of €500 in total (travel to and from Wittenberg), upon submission of receipts. Funds must be used exclusively for the purposes specified. Any overpayments must be returned to the WCGE.

4. Obligations of the Scholar in Residence

The Scholar in Residence is required to fulfil the following obligations:

- Spend four to six weeks in Wittenberg or the greater region (Berlin, Halle, or Leipzig) as agreed with the WCGE;
- Actively participate in at least one main format of the Doctoral Academy (Spring/Summer School or Writing Retreat), including an academic contribution (e.g. workshop or lecture);
- Be available for further activities as individually agreed, which may include Lunch & Learn sessions, participation in WCGE events, or presentations at Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg;
- Provide a short written contribution for the WCGE website after the stay;
- Acknowledge the support of the Doctoral Academy "Business and Leadership Ethics" and the Karl Schlecht Foundation in all resulting publications.

5. Withdrawal by the Scholar

The Scholar may withdraw from the programme by notifying the WCGE in writing. Weekly stipend payments already made for completed weeks of residency may be retained. Stipend payments for weeks not yet commenced must be returned in full. Travel cost reimbursements already paid must be returned unless the Scholar has already incurred the relevant costs. WCGE reserves the right to seek compensation for any organisational costs incurred.

6. Withdrawal of the Award by WCGE

The WCGE reserves the right to withdraw the award and reclaim disbursed funds in cases of:

misuse of funds; failure to fulfil the obligations set out in §4; provision of false or misleading information in the application; conduct that disrupts the activities of the Doctoral Academy or WZGE; or force majeure. The Scholar will be notified in writing. Stipend payments for weeks already completed in good faith may be retained by the Scholar.

7. Liability

Participation in the Scholar in Residence Program is at the recipient's own risk. The WCGE accepts no liability for damages unless caused by gross negligence or intent. The WCGE accepts no liability for lost or stolen items during the residency.

8. Data Protection

Personal data provided during the application process will be stored and processed exclusively for the purpose of programme administration and award decisions. As part of the selection process, application documents will be shared with the members of the expert jury, who are bound by confidentiality. Data will not be shared with third parties beyond this purpose without consent.

9. Copyright

All materials provided by the WCGE in connection with the Scholar in Residence Program programme are protected by copyright and may not be reproduced, distributed, or modified without the explicit consent of the WCGE. Recordings of sessions or events are permitted only with explicit consent.

10. Additional Agreements

Any supplementary agreements must be made in writing to be valid.

11. Place of Jurisdiction

For all disputes arising directly or indirectly from the Scholar in Residence relationship, the place of jurisdiction is Lutherstadt Wittenberg, Germany.