

## Hygiene concept for the “Haus der Universität“ (HdU)

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The Haus der Universität is open and offers public and non-public events. To ensure the safety of all guests and employees with regard to reinfection with the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, the following rules are applied with reference to the Corona Protection Ordinance of the State of NRW (as of 17.08.2021):

### **(1) Individual protection**

#### **(A) Access restrictions:**

Access will only be possible for immunized persons ("2G regulation").

The proof of immunization (complete vaccination or proof of recovery) must be presented together with an official identification document when entering the house.

#### **(B) Symptoms of disease**

Persons with symptoms typical of COVID-19 (dry cough, fever, etc.) are not allowed to enter the university building. Persons who develop such symptoms during their stay in the HdU must leave the building.

#### **(C) Hand disinfection**

All persons entering the Haus der Universität must disinfect their hands at the dispenser provided in the entrance area.

It is highly recommended to repeat hand disinfection more often. Dispensers are also located in the washrooms.

#### **(D) Mandatory face masks:**

All persons must wear at least a medical mask (OP or FFP2 mask) inside the Haus der Universität.

Exceptions: The mask may be removed in the following cases:

- At the final seat.
- When eating food and drinks (catering).
- By the employees of the house at their workplace when there is no public traffic.

#### **(E) Distance and hygiene:**

Whenever possible, keep a minimum distance of 1.5 meters from other people.

Regular thorough washing and disinfection of hands is recommended, as is avoiding physical contact with other people.

## (2) General

### (A) Accountability in the building

The implementation of the hygiene concept is the responsibility of the head of the building who delegates the general duties to the staff in the event office and, if they are not present in the house, to the persons entrusted with the responsibility by the house (event managers or auxiliary staff).

### (B) Responsibility at events

Each event is led by a person as "organiser" who is instructed in the hygiene concept by the HdU staff and is responsible for compliance with the rules during the event, for example ensuring that the participants adhere to the individual protection rules.

### (C) Disinfectant:

There is a dispenser for hand disinfection in the entrance area, which all visitors must use upon entry. Hand disinfectant is also available in all washrooms.

### (D) Surface disinfection:

Between events, the table surfaces are disinfected, as are all technical aids (microphones, laser pointers, lecterns, laptops, etc.).

### (E) Ventilation

The room ventilation in the HdU does not use recirculated air, but only fresh air and can therefore be switched on during operation. However, the dimensioning of the system does not allow simultaneous ventilation of all rooms. Therefore, additional ventilation should be provided by repeatedly opening the windows during each event.

Between events, the rooms are thoroughly aired out.

### (F) Working materials:

Working materials (handouts, scripts etc.) should not be shared or exchanged. Such materials are ideally placed on the seats before the event or are otherwise distributed centrally.

### (G) Music:

Musical performances and concerts are permitted. In the case of vocal performances or music with wind instruments, care must be taken to increase the distance to the audience, as well as in the case of theatrical speech performances.

### (H) Catering

Drinks will be provided by the HdU, but only at the fixed tables in the event rooms.

Food and drinks that you have brought yourself may be consumed at your seat.

Catering by external companies going beyond this is possible to a limited extent (e.g., cold packed lunch in disposable packaging). Buffets, standing receptions, etc. cannot be held.