

Contract between

...  
hereby named “the organizer”

and

the Semantic Web Science Association e.V.  
hereby named “SWSA”

concerning the organization of  
the Xth International Semantic Web Conference 20XX,  
take place in YYY at ZZZ from AA to BB 20YY  
hereby named “the event”

PREAMBLE:

The SWSA supervises a series of conferences called the International Semantic Web Conference. Its role is to ensure the unity and continuation of these conferences. SWSA delegates the organisation to a particular organizer and provides limited guarantees in case of deficit. These guarantees come from the benefit of previous conferences. Benefits as well as a deficit up to a specified limit (cf. Articles 7 and 8) are thus shared between the organizer and SWSA. Because it is in the interest of all parties that everything is smoothly processed, the organizer (or his representative) and the SWSA treasurer will closely interact in order to find acceptable agreements at all times.

ARTICLE 1: OBJECT

This contract expresses the agreement between SWSA and the organizer for the organization of the event.

ARTICLE 2: MUTUAL PUBLICITY

The organiser can appear as such on all promotional material of the conference.  
The organiser must mention the name of SWSA on all promotional material of the conference. It will link to the SWSA web site from the first page of the event web site. SWSA will link the web site of the conference from the conference part of its site.

ARTICLE 3: INITIAL BUDGET OF THE EVENT

The organizer must communicate the initial budget of the conference to the treasurer of SWSA at least 18 months before the event. The SWSA have 30 days to approve or reject this budget. If the budget is not approved, the treasurer will provide within the 30 days delay written observations to the organizer.

The organizer can submit a revision of the budget that SWSA has three weeks to formally approve or reject in the same terms as above.

The initial budget must be approved at least 12 month before the beginning of the conference. In case the initial budget is not approved 6 months before the beginning of the conference, the present contract is void.

#### ARTICLE 4: BUDGET REVISION

The budget can be revised at any moment by the organizer who will notify the SWSA treasurer. The SWSA treasurer will judge if the budget approval must be renewed by SWSA. In such an event the treasurer will inform the organizer within one week. SWSA has three weeks to formally approve or reject the revised budget.

#### ARTICLE 5: FINAL BUDGET OF THE EVENT

The organizer will provide the final budget of the event as soon as possible and no later than 6 months after its end. SWSA has 30 days to approve or reject this budget on the basis of the regular execution of the last approved budget.

If the final budget is not approved, the treasurer will provide within the 30 days delay written observations to the organizer concerning the divergence between the approved budget and the executed budget. The organizer will then provide a revised final budget within 30 days.

#### ARTICLE 6: RESPONSIBILITY

The organizer is responsible for all matters concerning the organization of the event including financial liability.

#### ARTICLE 7: GUARANTEE

SWSA will partially cover the risks of deficit in the organization of the event. This guarantee is limited to half of the amount of the deficit and will not exceed the amount of ... Euro in any case. It is conditional on the regular execution of the present contract. In case of a deficit, SWSA will pay the guarantee to the organizer upon approval of the final budget.

#### ARTICLE 8: BENEFITS

If the eventual benefits occurring out of the organisation of the event are less than ... Euro, then the benefits will be equally shared between the organizer and SWSA. If such benefits exceed ... Euro, then ... Euro will remain with the organizer. All the rest of the benefits shall be remitted to SWSA.

Upon approval of the final budget, the organizer will pay its share to SWSA within three months.

#### ARTICLE 9: LITIGATION

The laws of the Federal Republic of Germany govern the present contract. In the event of a dispute, the competent jurisdiction is that of the seat of SWSA, Karlsruhe (Germany).

Location, Date

Karlsruhe, Date

On behalf of Organizer

On behalf of SWSA