

ORCA Summit 2026 Scholarship Terms and Conditions

Organizer: Aidshilfe Schleswig-Holstein e.V.

Scholarships are funded through donations and sponsorships and are provided solely for professional purposes, including knowledge exchange and the development of practical skills. Scholarships are limited and awarded at the sole discretion of the organizer. Sponsors have no influence on the content, structure, or selection process and do not receive access to personal data.

1. Purpose

To support participation of individuals who could not otherwise attend for financial reasons and whose participation is considered beneficial for the objectives of the conference. Scholarships are personal, non-transferable and may not be exchanged, assigned or transferred to another person.

2. Scope

The scholarship is provided in kind and may include:

- Conference participation
- Travel
- Accommodation with breakfast
- Coffee breaks
- Lunches during the conference

Travel:

Travel arrangements are organized by the organizer. The organizer reserves the right to determine the most economical and reasonable travel itinerary. Travel dates may be adjusted according to the conference schedule. Changes requested by the participant after booking may result in additional costs payable by the participant.

Flights:

- Direct or connecting flights, subject to availability and the most economical fare.
- No upgrades are covered.
- From nearest international airport
- Frequent flyer benefits remain with the participant.
- Economy class, lowest available fare
- Necessary ground transportation between the airport or railway station, hotel and conference venue.

Not covered:

- Seat reservation
- Extra baggage
- Meals (unless included)

Train: 2nd class, no seat reservation

Bus: Direct or connecting routes, no premium seat upgrades covered.

3. Accommodation and meals

Hotel selection is at the sole discretion of the organizer. Accommodation in Kiel from 24–26 September 2026, including breakfast. Accessibility needs should be communicated, where possible, at least 21 days

Participants must be notified from cancellations made less than 48 hours before the conference. Cancellations without prior notice may be charged to the participant unless the cancellation is due to illness and supported by appropriate medical documentation. Breakfast is provided by the hotel. Coffee breaks and lunches during the conference are provided by the organizer. Dinners, alcoholic beverages, room service, minibar expenses and any additional meals are not included and remain the responsibility of the participant. Special dietary requirements should be communicated at least 21 days before the conference.

4. Selection

Selection by organizers. Decisions of the organizer are final and cannot be appealed.

5. Obligations

Participants are expected to

- attend all conference sessions
- participate actively
- represent their organization professionally
- comply with the conference Code of Conduct
- respect other participants
- Actively participate
- Deliver a presentation, project, or workshop

6. Form of Support

Provided in kind only. No cash payments or reimbursements. The scholarship has no monetary value and cannot be exchanged for cash.

7. Reimbursement Claims

The organizer reserves the right to reclaim all or part of the scholarship costs if

- false information was provided;
- the participant cancels without valid reason;
- the participant fails to attend;
- the participant seriously violates these Terms.

8. Data Protection

In accordance with Datenschutz-Grundverordnung (DSGVO). Personal data will only be processed for purposes related to the organization of the conference.

9. Liability

No liability for travel issues or personal belongings. The organizer is not liable for

- missed flights;
- visa refusals;
- travel delays;
- lost luggage;
- theft;
- personal belongings;
- medical expenses;
- accidents outside the conference venue.

Participants remain responsible for compliance with immigration, customs and public health regulations.

10. Force Majeure

The organizer shall not be liable for cancellation or modification of the conference due to force majeure including pandemics, natural disasters, war, strikes, governmental restrictions or other events beyond reasonable control.

11. Insurance

Participants are responsible for obtaining adequate travel and health insurance.

12. Visa

The organizer may provide invitation letters but cannot influence or guarantee the outcome of any visa application.

13. Governing Law

To the extent permitted by law, the place of jurisdiction shall be Kiel, Germany.

14. Jurisdiction

Place of jurisdiction is Kiel, Germany.

15. Final Provisions

Invalid clauses do not affect the rest.

Language Clause

This document is available in German and English. In the event of discrepancies, the German version shall prevail.

I hereby confirm that I have read, understood, and agree to the scholarship terms and conditions outlined above. I agree to comply with them. I have read the Code of Conduct.

☐ I consent to the processing of my personal data in accordance with the GDPR.

Full Name: _____

Place: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____