

# Certification



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## **Certification by FKM**

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#### 1.1 Trade fair / exhibition

A trade fair or exhibition is an event which takes place in a physical location, over a limited period of time, and is where economic goods (products, services and/or rights) are presented and/or marketed.

**Note:** The individual elements defining a trade fair or an exhibition are laid down in the current versions of §§ 64 and 65 respectively of the German Industrial Code.

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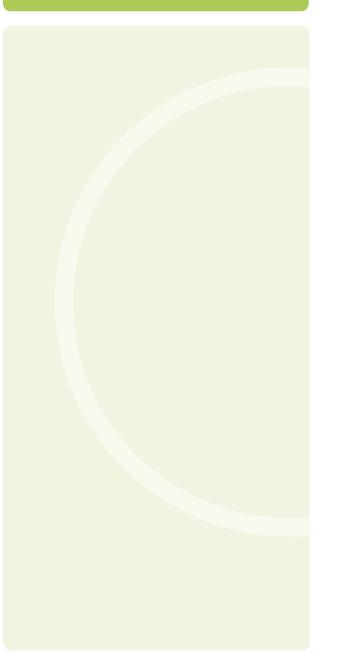
#### 3.0 Certification criteria

#### 3.1 Certification guidelines

The guidelines according to which FKM carries out certification (auditing) of a trade fair or exhibition, and the resultant certification criteria. to be used if any uncertainties arise, will be listed here first. Situations in which no specific certification criteria apply are to be treated in accordance with these principles, which shall also form the basis for interpreting the certification criteria. Should uncertainties arise, particularly concerning questions with regard to the general interpretation of the admissibility and nature of definitions and documents, the auditors tasked with certification are to coordinate with the management of FKM. In such cases the neutrality of the auditors must be safeguarded.

The certification guidelines are defined as follows:

3.1.1 Certification by FKM testifies to the fact that, in respect of the exhibition statistics submitted, FKM's rules (definitions, documents and certification criteria) have been adhered to and applied. Certification is carried out by auditors (certification authority as per § 12 of the statutes of FKM).

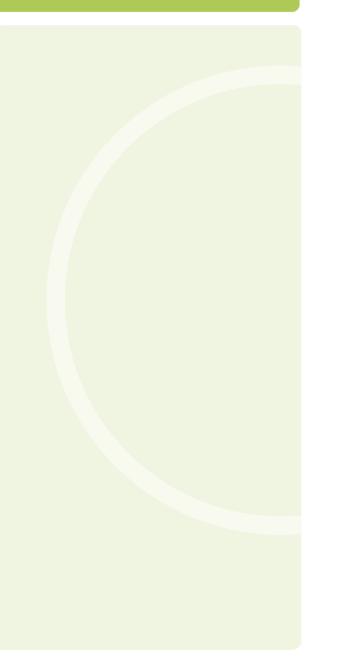


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- 3.1.2 As a rule all registered events are to be certified. This rule applies to all newly registered events, if any significant changes are made to the event concept, if automatic visitor admission systems are introduced or significantly changed, if the event venue changes and if an event takes place at intervals of more than two years. Follow-up events which do not comply with the above criteria shall be certified as the auditor in question sees fit.
- 3.1.3 Conclusive documentation shall be submitted by the event organiser as proof of the data supplied. The auditor in question shall undertake a visual inspection of the event while it is being held.
- 3.1.4 If automatic visitor admission systems are used to record visitor attendance, then they shall be tested upon their introduction and upon any significant alterations being made. This shall be undertaken by the auditor in question. In this context the system's operators must observe the technical and organisational requirements issued by the auditor carrying out certification.





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- 3.1.5 Certification of statistics as regards both quantity and quality shall in each case take place based upon the statistical survey forms filled out by the organiser and containing the figures to be audited. They are to be mailed on time to the auditor responsible for certification as well as to the management of FKM.
- 3.1.6 The auditor responsible for certification shall carry out his audit by conducting surveys, analyses, comparisons, follow-up calculations, activities, obtaining access, undertaking inspections, as well as if necessary by accessing revenue accounts and by obtaining confirmation from third parties. Furthermore, during certification spot checks will be made. The number of spot checks depends on the size of the event. The checks must be undertaken in sufficient numbers to ensure adequate certainty for issuing certification.
- 3.1.7 Following certification of an event the auditor responsible for certification will issue a certificate. This certificate will be denied if, in conclusion, the organiser cannot supply proof of compliance with the requirements stipulated by FKM (definitions, documents and certification criteria). The certification procedure does not take an event's international dimension into account.

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An exhibition shall be deemed an international event if at least 5 % of the visitors and at least 10 % of the exhibitors are from abroad. (This is not part of the certification procedure).

#### 1.3 Combined exhibition

Combined exhibitions are two or more exhibitions which take place at the same time, or which overlap at the same venue, and feature a joint visitor admission.

**Note 1:** Combined exhibitions may feature similar themes, but this is not mandatory.

**Note 2:** Combined exhibitions may be managed by one or more exhibition organisers.

**Note 3:** Visitor access to a combined exhibition may be granted in full or separately to each individual event.

## ••••• 2.1 Visitor to a combined exhibition

2.1.1 Description of the document

**Note 1:** As regards combined exhibitions with overlapping individual events an additional requirement applies: during the visitor survey appropriate methods shall apply regarding the sample size in respect of non-overlapping periods.

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3.1.8 Organisers are obliged to keep the documentation required for certification by FKM for a period of three months following publication of the FKM Annual Report.

Surveys of combined events shall be carried out by one institute only.

Admission of a visitor to a combined event shall be counted once per day.



**Note 4:** Independent sections within exhibitions presenting various sectors of industry are to be treated as combined exhibitions, on condition they meet the following criteria: (1) that they are held in an enclosed and strictly demarcated area; (2) that the exhibitors represent a physically independent unit; (3) that in respect of exhibitors and visitors separate advertising is used whose content specifically targets this independent section.

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**Note 2:** In the case of combined exhibitions organised by a number of organisers where certification by FKM is not being undertaken for all events comprising the combined exhibition an additional requirement applies: the visitor survey shall be based upon all the individual events comprising the combined exhibition.

#### 2.1.2 Conditions for publication

- Publication of visitor statistics for individual events forming part of a combined exhibition shall only be permitted if simultaneously accompanied by information on the combined exhibition (specifying the individual events) and along with a reference indicating multiple admissions.
- b) Publication without reference to the combined exhibition may be permitted on condition that the sum of visitors attending the individual events is equal to the overall total of visitors attending the combined exhibition.
- c) If only sum totals exist for a combined exhibition, while at the same time in publications these figures make reference to an individual event, then they must be marked thus: "together with (name of exhibition)".

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#### 1.4 Exhibition organiser

An exhibition organiser is defined as an institution which develops a concept for, organises and/or holds a trade fair or exhibition, (1.1).

#### 1.5 Gross exhibition space

The gross exhibition space is defined as the hall space and/or outdoor space, which comprises the net exhibition space (1.6) made up of stands (omitting upper tiers) and ancillary areas used for traffic and services for the exhibition in question (1.1).

**Note 1:** Service areas are defined as areas which pertain directly to a respective exhibition but which may not be used by exhibitors for their presentations.

Service areas include temporary catering areas within the halls; areas for public authorities, associations and institutions used to provide general services for exhibitors and/or visitors; demonstration areas such as arenas, stages, halls etc. insofar as they do not fulfil the requirements of a special show space.

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d) If an event is alternately held as part of a combined exhibition and as an individual event, then in publications only figures for events which are comparable in each case may be named.

**Gross exhibition space** 

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Proof of the gross exhibition space shall be supplied by printed or electronic plans showing occupancy of the halls and outdoor space, which indicate the net exhibition space, the total gross exhibition space available, as well as the gross exhibition space occupied by the event. The plans in question must be to scale and show adequate measurements.

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**Gross exhibition space** 

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The document entitled "2.2 Gross exhibition

space" shall constitute the proof required for

Gross exhibition space inside covered spaces outside of exhibition halls, such as in foyers,

passageways etc., is calculated by adding an

The gross outdoor exhibition space is calculated by adding an extra 80 % to the net outdoor ex-

extra 80 % to the net exhibition space.

certifying the gross exhibition space (1.5).

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**Note 2:** All areas designated for regular office use, for meetings and conferences etc. are not part of the gross exhibition space. Nor are storage areas, catering areas featuring permanent installations or corresponding outdoor areas part of the gross exhibition space.

Note 3: At farming exhibitions, outdoor demonstration areas are calculated without any extra percentage as part of the gross exhibition space.

#### Net exhibition space 1.6

The net exhibition space is defined as the areas of the halls and/or outdoor exhibition space calculated as the sum of exhibitor stand space (1.8) in conjunction with the special show space (1.7).

#### **Special show space** 1.7

A special show space is defined as an area of an exhibition (1.1) which illustrates the subject matter of an exhibition by taking a general look at it or by examining individual aspects. Special show space may consist of areas which feature stands, information boards and demonstrations.

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#### **1.8 Exhibitor stand space**

Exhibitor stand space is defined as a surface area inside and/or outside a hall, allocated to one or more exhibitors (1.9) by the exhibition organiser for a contractually agreed purpose at a trade fair (1.1) or exhibition.

**Note:** A surface area may be at ground level or at other levels.

#### 1.9 Exhibitor

An exhibitor is defined as an entity (company, individual person or organisation) which has been granted approval for an exhibitor stand (1.8) and, in said area together with present staff, exhibits and/or markets products, services and/or rights.

**Note 1:** An exhibitor may be represented as a main exhibitor (1.10) or co-exhibitor (1.11).

**Note 2:** An exhibitor may be counted more than once, provided that he is represented in more than one exhibitor stand space, which must be in a visually distinctly separate area, and provided that the exhibitor targets different audiences with different key products.

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••• 2.5 Exhibitor approval (p. 15)

#### ••••• 2.5 Exhibitor approval

Approval consists of a written or electronic and legally binding notice, from the exhibition organiser (1.4) to the exhibitor (1.9), authorizing the latter to participate in an exhibition on the basis of certain conditions.

With regard to documentation required for certification, as a rule the notice of approval contains the following information, including whether the participant is a main exhibitor (1.10), a co-exhibitor (1.11) or an additionally represented company (1.12); the nationality of the exhibitor (1.13) and the size and location of the exhibitor stand space (1.8).

**Note 1:** A notice of approval constitutes documentary proof of an exhibitor's written or electronic registration.

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#### ••••• 3.5 Number of exhibitors

#### 3.5.1 Method

The notices of approval in conjunction with the respective written or electronic registrations, including corresponding lists, serve as documentary proof of the number of exhibitors (main exhibitors (1.10) and co-exhibitors (1.11)). If the exhibitor is obliged to pay for his participation, then alternatively an invoice may be used as a document.

For these receipt categories, consolidated lists by order of documented receipts must be submitted. Within these lists sub-totals for hall space occupied by domestic and foreign exhibitors and outdoor space occupied by domestic and foreign exhibitors must be evident.



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Note 2: If exhibitor approval is subject to a The use of file cards, hall plans or supplemenparticipation fee, then alternatively an invoice tary documents as evidence of exhibitor nummay be used as a document. bers is insufficient. 3.5.2 Counting method Every exhibitor who has been approved is counted once, providing he fulfils the criteria as a main exhibitor or co-exhibitor. 2.5 Exhibitor approval (p. 15) 3.5 Number of exhibitors (p. 15) 2.5 Exhibitor approval (p. 15) 3.5 Number of exhibitors (p. 15) 2.5 Exhibitor approval (p. 15) Additionally represented company 3.6 The proof required for certifying additionally represented companies (1.12) shall be supplied by submitting the exhibitor's written or electronic registration forms, which must contain the represented company's full address.

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1.10 Main exhibitor

A main exhibitor is defined as an exhibitor (1.9) who has entered into a direct contractual relationship with the exhibition organiser (1.4) with regard to an exhibitor stand space (1.8).

#### 1.11 Co-exhibitor

A co-exhibitor is defined as an exhibitor (1.9) who, with the consent of the exhibition organiser (1.4), is represented on the stand of the main exhibitor (1.10) with his own economic goods and own staff.

#### 1.12 Additionally represented company

An additionally represented company displays economic goods on the stand of an exhibitor (1.9) without employing his own staff.

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**Note 1:** An additionally represented company can be a company, individual person or organisation.

**Note 2:** An additionally represented company is not to be regarded as an exhibitor, however it can be listed in an exhibitor directory if appropriately marked.

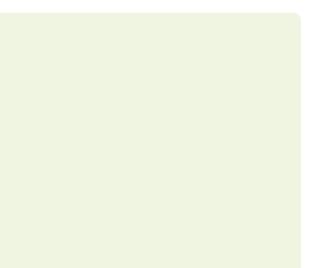
#### 1.13 Nationality of exhibitors

The nationality of an exhibitor (1.9) is determined by the address he uses in order to enter into a contractual relationship with the exhibition organiser (1.4).

**Note 1:** If the invoice address and the address of the exhibitor who is registering differ from one another then the address of the recipient of services shall apply.

**Note 2:** If the address used for entering into a contractual relationship and the nationality of an exhibitor do not coincide then a note in writing from the exhibitor declaring his nationality can be accepted.

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The number of additionally represented companies must be documented in a consolidated list with separate categories for domestic and foreign exhibitors.

**Note 1:** An additionally represented company shall always be counted only once.

**Note 2:** Upon release of the overall total of exhibitors the number of exhibitors may not be added to the number of additionally represented companies.

#### ••••• 3.7 Foreign exhibitor

Documented information on the nationality of exhibitors (1.13) shall constitute the proof required for certifying exhibitors from abroad (1.9), whereby foreign exhibitors must be sorted in tables according to country of origin, and furthermore the overall total of countries participating must be given.

#### 1.14 Visitor to an exhibition

A visitor to an exhibition is defined as a person attending an exhibition (1.1) during the hours in which it is officially open to visitors, who wishes to obtain information and/or make contact with exhibitors (1.9).

**Note 1:** Employees on the stands, journalists, employees of exhibition service providers, employees of the exhibition organiser and of the operators of the exhibition grounds are not categorized as visitors.

The exhibition organiser must supply suitable proof that the persons listed above are not counted as visitors.

**Note 2:** Speakers and congress attendees are only to be counted as visitors providing they attend the exhibition.

#### 1.15 Visit to an exhibition

A visit to an exhibition is defined as a visitor admission to an exhibition (1.1).

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#### ••••• 2.6 Admission tickets for visitors to exhibition

Admission tickets granting access to an exhibition serve to document the number of visitor admissions to an event.

What shape an admission ticket takes is determined by the type of visitor admission system employed. As a rule a distinction must be made between manual and automatic monitoring of admissions.

#### 3.8 Visitor admission

#### 3.8.1 Method

Certification of "Visits to an exhibition" (1.15) shall be based upon documentation of "Admission tickets for visitors to exhibitions" (2.6) or on documentation of "Visitor registration" (2.7)

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In the case of manual monitoring of admissions a) the ticket counterfoils retained by the exhibition organiser shall serve as documentation. The retained counterfoils must bear attributes identifying the event beyond any doubt.

> An evaluation of the day's takings from the ticket offices providing visitors with admission tickets may also serve as documentation. Any counterfoils of these admission tickets need not be retained. In this case the admission tickets must bear individual markings to prevent them being counted more than once.

> If the attributes described in the first paragraph cannot be realised or the counterfoils cannot be retained, then exhibition related invoices from ticket agencies will also serve as documentation.

In the case of an automatic entry monitoring b) system the respective records, which must be submitted either in paper form or be electronically readable, will serve as documentation of visitor admissions to the exhibition.

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Certification of visitor admissions to an event recorded by an automatic entry monitoring system is carried out by analysing an electronic report, which the auditor responsible for certification will undertake.

The records supplying proof of visitor admissions must provide the following minimum information: (1) The type of participant in the exhibition, as distinct from other participants (e.q. employees on stands, journalists, service employees), (2) the duration of admission (admission for one day, multiple admission, unlimited admission etc.), (3) an entry date and time stamp, (4) an individual marking (e.g. running numbers) to ensure unique identification of an admission ticket and, (5) the counting method.

- 3.8.2 Counting method
- Visitor admissions are counted only once per a) day.
- b) Multiple admission tickets, being frequently used, are counted more than once, but only once per day.





#### 2.7 Visitor registration

Proof of a visitor being admitted to the exhibition may be supplied in conjunction with visitor registration. The way in which this is documented depends on whether a manual or automatic registration system is used.

**Note 1:** A manual registration system is based upon the visitor supplying personal details (at minimum a full address) on an appropriate form, which he can fill in either ahead of the event or prior to entering the exhibition grounds.

**Note 2:** With an automatic registration system the visitor can register electronically either ahead of the event or prior to entering the exhibition grounds.

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#### • 3.9 Registered visitor admission

#### 3.9.1 Method

- a) In the case of a manual registration system filled-in registration forms shall serve as proof.
- b) In the case of an automatic registration system data input by visitors, electronically stored in corresponding files, in conjunction with data from an automatic entry monitoring system and/or a manually signed registration form, shall serve as documentary proof.

#### 3.9.2 Counting method

Registered persons entering free of charge who are not recorded by the automatic entry monitoring system (2.6) are counted only once, unless proof exists of how often they are admitted.



#### 1.16 Trade visitor

Trade visitors are defined as visitors attending a trade fair (1.14) or exhibition (1.1) for reasons to do with their employment or for business purposes.

1.17 General public visitor

Visitors who are members of the general public are defined as visitors attending a trade fair (1.14) or exhibition (1.1) for private reasons.

#### 1.18 Visitor profile

Information breaking down the individual characteristics of visitors to exhibition, as defined by FKM, serves to provide a more detailed look at the volume of visitor data (2.6 and 2.7). Information is to be polled according to standardised questionnaires in the shape of FKM visitor profile analyses.

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2.8.1 Description of the document

Data from a visitor survey may be used as documentary proof for purposes of additionally classifying visitors.

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#### **3.10** Visitor profile

Certification of the structural characteristics of visitors to exhibitions is based upon information in the FKM visitor profile analysis (1.18).



In order for the FKM visitor profile analysis to be recognised, volume data certified by FKM for the corresponding exhibition must exist.

- b) The basic requirements for conducting an FKM visitor profile analysis are described in annex 3. The time requirements and conditions for publication are listed below:

c) Time requirements

1. Members shall conduct an FKM visitor profile analysis for the events for which they have registered. Registration must take place at the members' meeting, at the latest four weeks prior to the event at the offices of the auditor.

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In order to obtain FKM-certified proof of visitor profile an FKM visitor profile analysis must take place which must be carried out as part of a visitor survey. This is described in detail in the annex.

In respect of certification by FKM of data obtained through visitor surveys the following basic requirement applies: the survey must be conducted according to scientifically approved methods (e.g. random samples and spot checks) which without exception shall apply to all phases of the survey, including field work (e.g. the appointment of interviewers on the exhibition grounds, training etc.).

#### 2.8.2 Conditions for publication

Publication of data obtained by visitor surveys shall only be permitted if the methods used are stated (e.g. a representative survey employing random samples / spot checks), plus the name of the market research institute and/or of the respective member of FKM.

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Auditing of the FKM visitor profile analysis shall be based upon the questionnaires, a brief description by the organiser and a description of the data collection methods used by the research institute or the member, and upon the interviewer schedule and evaluation charts.

The auditor responsible for certification has the right to examine the evaluation methods at the offices of the institute or of the member and to request any necessary information in this regard. The auditor responsible for certification also has the right to examine the procedures of an ongoing survey.

In each case the first FKM visitor profile analysis of an event will be certified; certification in additional cases will be issued in accordance with the certification guidelines under 3.1.2.



2. Registration is valid for the next date on which the exhibition is due to be held and, barring cancellation of the registration, for all the following dates on which the exhibition is due to take place. Registration remains valid even if the event takes place without the member conducting a survey.

3. However, registration expires if a FKM visitor profile analysis is not carried out every second time an event takes place, if that event is held at annual or bi-annual intervals. Similarly, registration expires if an FKM visitor profile analysis is not carried out every time an event takes place, if that event is held at tri-annual or longer recurring intervals.

In the case of an exhibition held at annual intervals, if a visitor survey is conducted containing basic and supplementary questions for members of the general public, registration will only expire if an FKM visitor profile analysis is not carried out every third time that event takes place.

4. In accordance with these rules, exhibitions which are held several times a year count as individual events.

d) Conditions for publication

1. The results of the basic questions for trade visitors or for members of the general public and the results of the supplementary questions for the corresponding group of visitors represent

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the minimum amount of information that must be published. The following may optionally be published:

a) the overall results of the basic questions,
b) the results of the basic questions for trade visitors and for members of the general public and
c) the results of the supplementary questions for trade visitors and for members of the general public.

2. Publication of the evaluated data is undertaken by FKM and AUMA in accordance with annexes 5, 6 and 7.

#### 1.19 Nationality of visitors

The nationality of a visitor to an exhibition is based upon his own information during the visitor registration process or upon a representative visitor survey.

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## 2.9 Nationality of visitors

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#### 2.9.1 Description of the document

Documents stating the nationality of visitors to an exhibition (1.19) are data obtained either from a visitor registration system or from a representative visitor survey (2.8), which should be carried out as part of an FKM visitor profile analysis (1.8), which in any case provides statistics on domestic and foreign visitors.

This information can also be obtained by carrying out a separate survey, containing less data than the FKM visitor profile analysis, but whose data collection and auditing requirements correspond to the rules of the FKM visitor profile analysis. However, this must be carried out at every event.

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#### 2.9.2 Conditions for publication

If an exhibition is described as being "international" separate lists must be drawn up of domestic and foreign visitors. It is up to the organiser whether the proportion of foreign visitors is determined by a verifiable count or by a representative survey.

A survey must correspond with the rules of the FKM visitor profile analysis. In this case the proportion of foreigners is based upon the overall total of all the visitors and then expressed as an absolute figure; the resultant number of foreign visitors shall be marked by a footnote thus: "as per a representative survey".

#### 2.10 Use of the FKM logo

Exhibition statistics may only carry a reference to FKM and be published if they are subject to certification by FKM.

The FKM logo may be used on documents relating to events registered with FKM. General business papers bearing the FKM logo may not be used for events which are not registered with FKM. This constitutes misuse.



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In principle, general use of the FKM logo on event programmes or other lists of events is not permitted. However, individual events contained in such publications may carry the FKM logo if they have registered to be certified by FKM. If every event has registered to be certified by FKM then general use of the FKM logo is permitted.

Exhibitions which have registered to be certified by FKM for the first time may not carry the FKM logo until certification has been carried out for the first time.

#### 2.11 FKM Annual Report

#### 2.11.1 Description of the document

FKM visitor profile analyses carried out by members of FKM constitute an additional section of the FKM Annual Report.





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#### 2.11.2 Conditions for publication

The FKM Annual Report is published at the latest by 30 April of the following year.

In order to ensure that the annual report is published on time all partners are obliged to submit any outstanding exhibition statistics for the year covered by the report at the latest by 15 February of the following year. Any figures received beyond this deadline cannot be guaranteed inclusion in the annual report.

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## FKM certification – Annex 1 Certificate form — Exhibition space, numbers of exhibitors and visitors

#### Exhibition space

I. a Net exhibition space

	Domestic	Foreign	Total	
Exhibitor stand space (hall)				
Exhibitor stand space (outdoor)				
Exhibitor stand space (total)				
Special show space				
Net exhibition space (total)				
I.b Gross exhibition space				

### II. Number of exhibitors and additionally represented companies

	Domestic	Foreign	Total	Participating countries
Exhibitors				
additionally represented companies				

#### **III.** Number of visitors = total number of visits, 1 visit per day

	Ascertained by cour	nting visits		Ascertained by a representative survey		
	Domestic	Foreign	Total	Domestic	Foreign	Total
Total						

determined through

- □ Manual admission control
- □ Manual visitor registration
- Manual admission control and manual visitor registration

- Automatic admission control by visitor entry control system
- Automatic visitor registration and visitor entry control system



## FKM certification – Annex 2 Record of gross exhibition space

Name, place, and date of the event		Date
Halls used		Gross hall space in m <sup>2</sup> (excluding service facilities)
Net exhibition space in c spaces outside halls	covered	
80 % surcharge	+	
Gross hall space (total)		
Net outdoor space		
80% surcharge	+	
Gross outdoor space		
Gross exhibition space		



#### A. Visitor profile analyses for individual events

- 1. Visitor profile analyses by FKM may be carried out on their own or in conjunction with another visitor survey.
- 2. The survey shall be carried out using a scientifically recognised representative sampling procedure. The sample selection shall take place according to a random procedure.
- 3. The number of visitors at the event in question shall count as the universe. In the case of already existing exhibitions the universe upon which the survey is based shall correspond with visitor figures established empirically by FKM at previous events. In the case of new exhibitions it shall be an estimate that takes certification by FKM into account.
- 4. The sample size varies depending on the size and structure of the universe, on the designated confidence levels and confidence intervals, and on how accurate the survey's results must be.

The following minimum sample sizes must be made:

In the case of events whose attendance is less than 3,000, 8 % of the visitors have to be interviewed, but no less than 100 persons.

In the case of events whose attendance ranges from 3,000 to under 5,000 at least 250 persons must be interviewed.

In the case of events whose attendance ranges from 5,000 to under 10,000 at least 5 % of the visitors must be interviewed.

In the case of events whose attendance ranges from 10,000 to under 25,000 at least 500 persons must be interviewed.

In the case of events whose attendance ranges from 25,000 to under 50,000 at least 2 % of the visitors must be interviewed.

In the case of events whose attendance is 50,000 or more at least 1,000 persons must be interviewed.

If both trade visitors and the general public visitors are to be interviewed, then the sample size must be applied to each group individually, each number being proportionate to the attendance of the respective group.

Thus, when determining the total size of the sample, prior to separating into groups one must take the ratio of trade visitors to members of the general public into account, in order to ensure a sufficiently high total sample size and, after separating into groups, in order to still meet the individual minimum requirements of each group. No less than the minimum number of interviews must be made. The numbers in question refer to valid questionnaire returns, i.e. the total sample size must be raised to balance an anticipated number of invalid questionnaire returns. The evaluation may not take invalid or incomplete questionnaire returns into account.

The number of valid questionnaire returns shall provide the basis for all subsequent percentages given.

- 5. Overall visitor origin information (domestic/foreign) and the origin of foreign visitors by country can be replaced by visitor registration results under the following conditions:
  - Use of a certified entry system that is linked to the visitor registration system for the information to be replaced (domestic/foreign, origin by country).
  - Confirmation by the FKM auditor during the respective audit that this data linkage is plausible and transparent and can be proven by a random sample test of the registration data as part of the audit.
  - No group of visitors may be excluded from registration.
  - If origin information exists for at least 85% of visitor entries, origin registration data can be applied to the overall visitor figures.



- Answers to other visitor structure questions can be weighted by the origin (domestic / foreign) figures from registration.
- If the other visitor structure data have not been weighted, figures replaced by registration data should be indicated in visitor structure evaluations and/or depictions.

Please note that the 85% quota can also be reached if homogenous groups that are registered together are assigned as a whole to one country.

- 6. Interviewers shall be allocated to exhibition areas according to plan, the requirements of random selection, and according to a written timetable. Interviews are to be carried out in the same manner on every day of the event.
- 7. The questions and answers provided by FKM are to be copied word for word in accordance with annexes 5 to 7, irrespective of any other voluntary details provided as a result of additional questions.
- 8. The interviewers are to receive appropriate training prior to each event. They are to be given instructions on basic interviewing techniques and on methods of selecting interviewees, as well as special training in standard practices at exhibitions and in dealing with visitors.

Furthermore, there will be daily meetings in order to discuss general and technical matters encountered during the survey, and in order to monitor the interviewers' performance.

The auditor has the right to attend training sessions and meetings.

9. FKM visitor profile analyses can be carried out by an institute contracted for this purpose or by the exhibition organisers themselves.

If an institute is chosen then due care must be taken during selection. The institute must be obliged in writing to comply with the relevant criteria governing data input, publication and certification with regard to qualitative data from FKM, and to also permit FKM's certification authority to inspect its evaluation methods at any time.

The organiser must communicate the name of the institute responsible in good time to the neutral certification authority; this also applies in the case of a change of institute.

10. Questionnaires are to be evaluated by data processing. Any exceptions to this rule must be coordinated with the neutral certification authority beforehand. Evaluation charts must be able to clearly retrace the evaluation process. 

#### B. Visitor profile analyses for combined exhibitions

1. In the case of combined exhibitions the number of random samples taken for visitor surveys for the relevant exhibitions shall be in relation to the number of visitors to the individual exhibitions.

The results of visitor profile analyses are based either on data from such persons whose main objective was to attend a particular exhibition **or** on data from such persons whose main objective was to attend a particular exhibition as well as from such persons who had already visited the particular exhibition at the time of the survey (without it having been their main objective).

2. In all other cases the provisions as understood under A. shall apply.

#### C. Determination of visitor attendance at combined exhibitions

- 1. Individual visitor attendance at the various events making up a combined exhibition with a joint admission ticket may be established by interviewing the visitors. In this case all the events making up a combined exhibition must be registered for certification by FKM. If interviewees are permitted to name more than one exhibition then interviewing may only take place at the exits. If interviewees are asked which event was the prime influence on their decision to attend, then interviews may take place at the entrances or the exits. Interviewing at the entrances may be substituted by asking relevant questions during visitor registration which must take at least 80 % of the visitors into account.
- 2. As regards the interviewing method the following requirements must be fulfilled:
- 2.1 Interviews must be carried out at entrances/exits which combined must account for at least 80 % of visitor traffic.
- 2.2 Interviews must take place at the aforesaid entrances/exits during all peak entry/exit periods on every day of the event. Interviewers may rotate between entrances/exits.

- 2.3 The sample size must correspond with the levels of visitor traffic at the entrances/exits. If no entry monitoring system exists then the numbers must be based on estimates or a manual count.
- 3. Only one institute may carry out interviews to determine visitor attendance figures, even if the individual events which make up a combined exhibition are held by different organisers. Interviews to establish visitor profile may be carried out by different institutes.
- 4. If visitor attendance figures are to be published with their respective synergy effects, i.e. if the interviewees can name more than one exhibition, the following question has to be used: Today, the exhibitions A, B, etc. take place (if necessary visual support by the interviewer by means of a list of the individual exhibitions, hall plans etc.). Which of these exhibitions did you visit today? The visitor figures of the individual exhibitions must be published stating: "established by a representative survey combined with (names of events). Multiple answers were permitted".

If a question asks which event was the prime influence on a visitor's decision to attend, and if only the figures for the individual events are to be published, then only the following additional information is required: "established by a representative survey".

5. If multiple answers are permitted in a questionnaire then the net visitor attendance figure for the combined exhibition will also be certified and published in the FKM report, including the combined figures for exhibitor attendance and exhibition space, as well as the results obtained for the individual events.



## FKM certification – Annex 4 FKM visitor profile analysis — Conducting institute and summary of the sample

## FKM visitor profile analysis of

		(event			
Customer					
Conducting institute					
Project manager at the institute					
Specialist responsible in the customer company					
Survey method*:		*Possibilities: CASI – Computer Assisted Self Interview (Interviewee enters his own answers using a terminal) CAPI – Computer Assisted Personal Interview (Interviewer enters the answers using a mobile computer			
Basis total	visitors	Paper / Pencil-Interview (Interviewer enters the answers onto a paper questionnaire)			
Size of sample	cases				
Number of interviewers					
Interviews on the individual days:					
1st day:	4th day:	further days:			
2nd day:	5th day:				
3rd day:	6th day:				
Distribution of interviewers within the exhibition area according to the attached plan					
Evaluation procedure: manual / computerised					



## FKM certification – Annex 5

FKM visitors profile analysis A -----> Basic questions

	Interview question	Pre-formulated answer	Presentation of answers at publication	Comments
A1 Proportion of trade/ public visitors	Are you visiting the exhibition more for professional/business reasons or more for private reasons?	<ul> <li>1/01 □ professional/business reasons</li> <li>1/02 □ private reasons</li> </ul>	proportion of trade visitors % proportion of public visitors %	
	Question for exhibitions with more then 50% trade visitors or with trade visitors as a significant targetgroup to those who ans- wered questions 1/02 with "yes": Does your visit to (exhibition) have anything to do with your profession or training?	1a/ 01 □ yes 1a/ 02 □ no		The result is not intended for publication, it serves as a correc- tion of the results for question 1. The absolute number of responses to question 1a/ 01 will be addad to the absolute number of respon- ses to question 1/01. The total will then be made into a percent- age on the basis of all answers to question 1.
A2 Region of residence	Where is your regular place of residence?	<ul> <li>Germany</li> <li>Other country</li> </ul>		
	If in Germany: In which federal state do you live?	<ul> <li>Baden-Württemberg</li> <li>Bavaria</li> <li>Berlin</li> <li>Brandenburg</li> <li>Brandenburg</li> <li>Mermen</li> <li>Hamburg</li> <li>Hessen</li> <li>MecklenbgWest-Pom.</li> <li>Lower Saxony</li> <li>North Rhine Westfalia</li> <li>%</li> </ul>	Germany total:%Of which (regions according to Nielsen)%Nielsen 1%Bremen%Hamburg%Lower Saxony%Schleswig-Holstein%Nielsen 2%North Rhine Westf.	If the result for a Nielsen region is less than 5%, the results for the respective federal states do not need not be published.



	Interview question	Pre-formulated answer	Presentation of answers at publication	Comments
		<ul> <li>Rhineland-Palatinate%</li> <li>Saarland%</li> <li>Saxony%</li> <li>Saxony-Anhalt%</li> <li>Schleswig-Holstein%</li> <li>Thuringia%</li> </ul>	Nielsen 3a %Hessen %Rhineland-Palatinate %Saarland %Saarland %Baden-Württemberg %Nielsen 3b %Bavaria %Nielsen 5+6 %Brandenburg %Brandenburg %MecklenbgWest-Pom %Saxony-Anhalt %Nielsen 7 %Saxony %Thuringia %	
36 <b>FKM</b> √	If elsewhere: In which country do you live?	Open mention of the country	Total foreign%Of which%EU%Other Europ. countries%Africa%North America%South & Central America%Middle East%South-East-Central Asia%Australia / Oceania%If continents are summarised: remaining countries%The five countries with highest visitor shares (without Germany)%%%%%%%	In order to arrange countries by continent and parts of continents the country list provided by FKM (

	Interview question	Pre-formulated answer	Presentation of answers at publication	Comments
	How far away is your regular place of residence?	<ul> <li>Up to 50 km</li> <li>More than 50 km up to 100 km</li> <li>More than 100 km up to 300 km</li> <li>More than 300 km</li> </ul>	As ascertained %	If an individual category covers less than 5 % of the answers, it can be added to another category.
A3 Occupational status	What is your occupational status?	<ul> <li>Entrepreneur, co-owner, freelancer</li> <li>Managing director, board member, [head of an authority]</li> <li>Director, Works manager, plant manager, branch manager, [head of public office]</li> <li>Department head, group head, team leader</li> <li>Other salaried staff, [civil servant] skilled worker</li> <li>Lecturer, teacher</li> <li>Trainee</li> <li>Other position</li> <li>Student*</li> <li>Other not working*</li> </ul>	As ascertained %	If a large percentage is likely to fill the category "other occupational status" then other individual answer suggestions can be added. Furthermore, hierarchical terms rela- ting to public authorities may optio- nally be added. * Trade visitors' answers to this ques- tion are also to be used as responses to the additional questions for trade visitors B2, B3 and B4. Thus these answer suggestions should not be repeated there.
A4 Frequency of visits to the exhibition	Which of the last events have you already attented?	<ul> <li> (Year of last event)</li> <li>Earlier event(s)</li> <li>None, I´m here fore the first time</li> </ul>	Last event % Earlier event(s) % First visit %	



## FKM certification – Annex 6 FKM visitors profile analysis B — Additional questions for trade visitors

	Interview question	Pre-formulated answer	Presentation of answers at publication	Comments
B1 Economic sectors (Multiple entries are permissible)	Which economic sector or industry does your company/ organisation belong to?	System used to define sectors of industry by the Federal Statistical Office (if not applicable, then individual terms). If experience shows that considerable percentage fall to individual sectors of industry, a differentiation should be made according to these sectors.	As ascertained %	
B2 Influence on purchasing / procurement decisions	How would you describe your influence on purchasing or procurement decision making?	<ul> <li>Decisive</li> <li>Jointly decisive</li> <li>Consultative</li> <li>None</li> <li>Student*</li> <li>Other not working*</li> </ul>	As ascertained %	* This possible answer should not be presented, instead the corresponding number of trade visitor answers to question A2 should be used.
B3 Area of responsibility (can be replaced by "B4 Occupation")	In which area of respon- sibility are you employed?	<ul> <li>Management</li> <li>Research, development, design</li> <li>Manufacture, production, quality control</li> <li>Buying, procurement</li> <li>Finance, accounting, controlling</li> <li>Information and communication technology</li> <li>Personnel, administration</li> <li>Sales</li> <li>Marketing, advertising, PR</li> <li>Logistics: material management, storage, transport</li> </ul>	As ascertained %	The item "other area" should be subdivided in consultation with the FKM, if experience indicates signi- ficant percentages are achieved.



	Interview question	Pre-formulated answer	Presentation of answers at publication	Comments
		<ul> <li>Maintenance/repairs</li> <li>Other area</li> <li>Student*</li> <li>Other not working*</li> </ul>		* This possible answer should not be presented, instead the corresponding number of trade visitor answers to question A3 should be used.
B4 Occupation (Alternative or additional to "B3 Area of responsibility")	Which occupation do you pursue?	Preset indivual terms (max. 15)	As ascertained %	
<b>B5</b> Size of company / organisation	How many people does your company/organisation employ?	□ 1 - 4 □ 200 - 499 □ 5 - 9 □ 500 - 999 □ 10 - 49 □ 1000 and more □ 50 - 199 □ Student* □ Other not working*	As ascertained %	Special provisions are possible with the agreement of FKM. * This possible answer should not be presented, instead the corresponding number of trade visitor answers to question A3 should be used.
B6 Length of stay	On how many days are you visiting the exhibition?	□ 1 day □ 2 days □ n days	Average length of stay: days	
			At all points, answers which make up no more than 5 % of all answers can be combined in a group of "others":	



# FKM certification – Annex 7 FKM visitor profile analysis C Additional questions for general public visitors

	interview question	pre-formulated answer	presentation of answers at publication	comments
C1 Sex		□ Male □ Female	As ascertained %	In personal interviews marked by the interviewer
C2 Age	How old are you?	<ul> <li>Up to 20</li> <li>Over 20 up to 30</li> <li>Over 30 up to 40</li> <li>Over 40 up to 50</li> <li>Over 50 up to 60</li> <li>Over 60 up to 70</li> <li>Over 70</li> </ul>	As ascertained %	
<b>C3</b> Size of household	How many persons are there in your household?	<ul> <li>1 Person</li> <li>2 Persons</li> <li>3 Persons</li> <li>4 Persons</li> <li>5 Persons or more</li> </ul>	As ascertained %	
C4 Buying or ordering capacity	<ul> <li>a) Have you bought or ordered something at the exhibition? (excluding personal con- sumption during the visit)</li> <li>b) Do you intend to buy or order something else?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Yes</li> <li>□ Yes</li> <li>□ No</li> <li>□ Maybe</li> </ul>	For a) and b) together: Purchase or order made or intended at the exhibition: Yes % No % Maybe %	<ul> <li>Notes on evaluation:</li> <li>when the answer to question a) and b) is at least one "yes" then ▶ publish: yes</li> <li>when the answer is "no" twice then ▶ publish: no</li> <li>when the answer to question a) is "no" and question b) "maybe" then ▶ publish: maybe</li> </ul>
C5 Follow-up business	Do you intend to buy some- thing at a later date because of information you received here at the exhibition?	□ Yes □ No □ Maybe	Intention to purchase at a later date:Yes %No %Maybe %	

## FKM rules – Annex 8

List of countries\* ------> Assignment of visitors in the FKM visitor profile analysis -----> Assignment of foreign exhibitors

Africa

#### **EU countries**

Austria (AUT) Belgium (BEL) Bulgaria (BGR) Croatia (HRV) Cyprus (CYP) Czechia (CZE) Denmark (DNK) Estonia (EST) Finland (FIN) France (FRA) Germany (DEU) Greece (GRC) Hungary (HUN) Ireland (IRL) Italy (ITA) Latvia (LVA) Lithuania (LTU) Luxembourg (LUX) Malta (MLT) Netherlands (NLD) Poland (POL) Portugal (PRT) Romania (ROU) Slovakia, Republic (SVK) Slovenia (SVN) Spain (ESP) Sweden (SWE) United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (GBR)

## Other European countries

Åland Islands (ALA) Albania (ALB) Andorra (AND) Belarus (BLR) Bosnia and Herzegovina (BIH) Faroer Islands (FRO) Gibraltar (GIB) Greenland (GRL) Guernsev (GGY) Iceland (ISL) Isle of Man (IMN) Jersey (JEY) Kosovo (XKX) Liechtenstein (LIE) Macedonia, former Yugoslav Republic (MKD) Moldova, Republic (MDA) Monaco (MCO) Montenegro (MNE) Norway (NOR) Russian Federation (RUS) San Marino (SMR) Serbia (SRB) Svalbard and Jan Mayen (SJM) Switzerland (CHE) Turkey (TUR) Ukraine (UKR) Vatican (VAT)

#### Algeria (DZA) Angola (AGO) Benin (BEN) Botswana (BWA) Burkina Faso (BFA) Burundi (BDI) Cameroon (CMR) Cape Verde (CPV) Central African Republic (CAF) Chad (TCD) Comoros (COM) Congo (COG) Congo, Democratic Republic (COD) Diibouti (DJI) Eqypt (EGY) Equatorial Guinea (GNQ) Eritrea (ERI) Ethiopia (ETH) Gabon (GAB) Gambia (GMB) Ghana (GHA) Guinea (GIN) Guinea-Bissau (GNB) Ivory Coast (CIV) Kenya (KEN) Lesotho (LSO) Liberia (LBR) Libya (LBY) Madagascar (MDG)

#### Malawi (MWI) Mali (MLI) Mauritania (MRT) Mauritius (MUS) Mayotte (MYT) Morocco (MAR) Mozambique (MOZ) Namibia (NAM) Niger (NER) Nigeria (NGA) Reunion (REU) Rwanda (RWA) Sao Tom and Principe (STP) Senegal (SEN) Sevchelles (SYC) Sierra Leone (SLE) Somalia (SOM) South Africa (ZAF) South Sudan (SSD) St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha (SHN) Sudan (SDN) Swaziland (SWZ) Tanzania, United Republic (TZA) Togo (TGO) Tunisia (TUN) Uganda (UGA) Western Sahara (ESH) Zambia (ZMB) Zimbabwe (ZWE)

#### America

#### **North America**

Canada (CAN) St Pierre and Miquelon (SPM) United States Minor Outlying Islands (UMI) USA (USA)

#### **Central and South America**

Anguilla (AIA) Antigua and Barbuda (ATG) Argentinia (ARG) Aruba (ABW) Bahamas (BHS) Barbados (BRB) Belize (BLZ) Bermudas (BMU) Bolivia (BOL) Bonaire, St Eustatius, Saba (BES) Brazil (BRA) Cayman Islands (CYM) Chile (CHL) Colombia (COL) Costa Rica (CRI) Cuba (CUB) Curaçao (CUW) Dominica (DMA)

Annexes

\* According to ISO 3166-1-alpha 3, without uninhabited islands. In individual cases terms were used which are common in Germany. Countries recognised by Germany but not listed by ISO have been complemented.



#### Asia

Ecuador (ECU) El Salvador (SLV) Falkland Islands [Malvinas] (FLK) French Guiana (GUF) Grenada (GRD) Guadeloupe (GLP) Guatemala (GTM) Guyana (GUY) Haiti (HTI) Honduras (HND) Jamaica (JAM) Martinique (MTQ) Mexico (MEX) Montserrat (MSR) Nicaragua (NIC) Panama (PAN) Paraguay (PRY) Peru (PER) Puerto Rico (PRI) St Barthélemy (BLM) St Kitts and Nevis (KNA) St Lucia (LCA) St Martin [French part] (MAF) St Martin [Dutch part] (SXM) St Vincent and the Grenadines (VCT) Surinam (SUR) Trinidad and Tobago (TTO) Turks and Caicos Islands (TCA) Uruguay (URY) Venezuela (VEN) Virgin Islands [British] (VGB) Virgin Islands [U.S.] (VIR)

#### Middle East

Bahrain (BHR) Iran, Islamic Republic (IRN) Iraq (IRQ) Israel (ISR) Jordan (JOR) Kuwait (KWT) Lebanon (LBN) Oman (OMN) Palestinian Territories (PSE) Qatar (QAT) Saudi Arabia (SAU) Syrian Arabic Republic (SYR) United Arab Emirates (ARE) Yemen (YEM)

#### South-East-Central Asia

Afghanistan (AFG) Armenia (ARM) Azerbaijan (AZE) Bangladesh (BGD) Bhutan (BTN) Brunei Darussalam (BRN) Cambodia (KHM) China, People's Republic of (CHN) Georgia (GEO) Hongkong, China SAR (HKG)

India (IND) Indonesia (IDN) Japan (JPN) Kazakhstan (KAZ) Korea, Democratic People's Republic (PRK) Korea, Republic (KOR) Kyrgyztan (KGZ) Lao People's Democratic Republic (LAO) Macao, China SAR (MAC) Malaysia (MYS) Maldives (MDV) Mongolia (MNG) Myanmar (MMR) Nepal (NPL) Pakistan (PAK) Philippines (PHL) Singapore (SGP) Sri Lanka (LKA) Taiwan (TWN) Tajikistan (TJK) Thailand (THA) Timor-Leste (TLS) Turkmenistan (TKM) Uzbekistan (UZB) Vietnam (VNM)

#### **Australia and Oceania**

American Samoa (ASM) Australia (AUS) Cocos [Keeling] Islands (CCK) Christmas Island (CXR) Cook Islands (COK) Fiji (FJI) French Polynesia (PYF) Guam (GUM) Kiribati (KIR) Marshall Islands (MHL) Micronesia (FSM) Nauru (NRU) New Caledonia (NCL) New Zealand (NZL) Niue (NIU) Norfolk Island (NFU) Northern Mariana Islands (MNP) Palau (PLW) Papua New Guinea (PNG) Pitcairn (PCN) Samoa (WSM) Salomon Islands (SLB) Tokelau (TKL) Tonga (TON) Tuvalu (TUV) Vanuatu (VUT) Wallis and Futuna (WLF)



## FKM certification – Annex 9 FKM report — Exhibition categories

## A Multi-industry trade fairs

- A 1 Investment and consumer goods fairs
- A 2 Investment goods fairs
- A 3 Consumer goods fairs

## B Specialised trade fairs and exhibitions

- B 1 Agriculture, forestry, fishery, viticulture, horticulture, landscaping and their equipment
- B 2 Food, drink and tobacco, restaurant and hotel trade, catering and their equipment
- B 3 Textiles, clothing, shoes, leather goods, jewelry and their equipment
- B 4 Building, completion and extension, and their equipment
- B 5 Furnishing, household appliances, houseware, and their equipment
- B 6 Health, body care, protection at work, and their equipment
- B 7 Environment protection, safety, cleaning, communal services, and their equipment
- B 8 Transport, traffic, logistics, and their equipment

- B 9 Information, communication, office, entertainment electronics, photo, film, and their equipment
- B 10 Education, setting up a business
- B 11 Sports and games, leisure, and their equipment
- B 12 Electrical engineering and electronics
- B 13 Metal-working, automation, measuring, quality assurance
- B 14 Plastics and wood processing, and their equipment
- B 15 Power supply industry
- B 16 Other investment goods industries
- B 17 Other consumer goods and service industries
- B 18 Arts and antiques

## **C** Multi-industry public exhibitions





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