CATERING REGULATIONS AT CONFERENCE CENTRES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF GÖTTINGEN DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

(English translation provided for informational purposes. If the English and German versions allow different interpretations, the German version should be followed)

Hygiene and protection plan in line with Lower Saxony’s coronavirus regulations

Due to the current situation, catering and hospitality at events is only possible to a limited extent. Generally, you should only have catering if you can guarantee compliance with the distancing, hygiene and other protection measures on the way to the food and drink, while it is served and while it is consumed, in order to reduce possible risks of infection.

Please contact the event management for specific arrangements.

The following rules must always be observed:

General health and hygiene rules

- Hand hygiene: frequent hand washing with soap and water or hand disinfection.
- Sufficient hand-washing facilities are available in the venue.
- Adequate ventilation: a thorough airing for 5 minutes every 20 minutes.
- Refrain from physical contact (shaking hands, patting shoulders, etc.)
- Keep a minimum distance of 1.5m and wear facemasks
- Follow guidelines for sneezing and coughing (that is cough or sneeze into the crook of the arm)

Catering rules

- Cold drinks may only be offered in small individual bottles which can be sealed, or in individual carafes with glasses.
- Sandwiches, biscuits, fruit or other food must be offered as individual portions on plates (if possible individually wrapped) on a buffet or served while seated.
- The provision of soups is permitted as self-service in compliance with the above hygiene rules, but should be avoided if possible (service recommended).
- Coffee and hot drinks may be taken from large pots in self-service, provided the above hygiene rules are observed.
- Consumption should always take place directly while seated or in a room in which compliance with the distance rule of 1.5m can be ensured during consumption.
• The use of the kitchenettes is generally permitted. However, the coffee machine and the
distribution of dishes may only be operated by a designated person wearing appropriate gloves and
facemask.
• Snacks or finger food may not be provided in trays for general self-service.

Receptions are only possible if compliance with the appropriate distancing and access regulations is
ensured; a separate hygiene concept with prior approval is necessary. We recommend avoiding
receptions wherever possible.