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To the
Österreichische Vereinigung
für das Gas- und Wasserfach
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A-1010 Vienna

APPLICATION

for

- award
- renewal
- supplementary (modification)

of

- ÖVGW Quality Mark for Gas
- ÖVGW Quality Mark for Water
- ÖVGW Quality Mark for Water/GRIS
Quality Seal
- ÖVGW Quality Mark for Hydrogen

Applicant (Invoice Recipient)

ÖVGW-Member:

No Yes (Membership Number: _____)

(exact designation or company stamp)

VAT-no.: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Contact person: _____

Product/Proposed Scope of Registration (please state the exact model designation and the total proposed scope of registration that is to be tested and inspected by the selected Testing and Inspection Body)

For continuation see attachment

Supplement/Modification (if supplements/modifications are proposed, please provide details here)

For continuation see attachment

Manufacturer/Country of Origin

Compulsory Representation of the Applicant in Austria
(Name, Address and Telephone Number)



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Any Further Representations of the Applicant in Austria

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Any Representations of the Applicant in Other EU Member States

(Name, Address and Telephone Number)

Testing and Inspection Body

We authorize ÖVGW to commission, on our behalf and at our expense, the following institutions

- Staatliche Versuchsanstalt – TGM (1200 Wien, Wexstraße 19 - 23)
- OFI – Technologie & Innovation GmbH (1030 Wien, Franz-Grill-Straße 5)
- Magistratsabteilung 39 – Prüf-, Überwachungs- und Zertifizierungsstelle der Stadt Wien (1110 Wien, Rinnböckstraße 15)
- TÜV Rheinland Energy GmbH (51105 Köln, Am Grauen Stein)
- Medizinische Universität Wien (1090 Wien, Kinderspitalgasse 15)
- Energy Klagenfurt GmbH (9020 Klagenfurt, Pischeldorferstraße 28a)
- HyCentA Research GmbH (8010 Graz, Inffeldgasse 15)

to carry out the following examinations:

- Initial test
- Renewal test for registration number: _____ Expiry: _____
- Supplementary (modification) test for registration number: _____

We agree to ÖVGW collecting and storing our personal data and processing it in accordance with the association's purpose. We are aware that this consent may be revoked at any time.

By signing this form, we acknowledge and accept the General Terms and Conditions GW30 and the applicable fee schedule (Fee Schedule for the ÖVGW Quality Mark for Gas, Fee Schedule for the ÖVGW Quality Mark for Water or Fee Schedule for the ÖVGW Quality Mark for Hydrogen) as binding components of the contract.

Place, Date

Legally binding signature



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To be completed by ÖVGW:

Assessment

of the application overleaf:

Performance of the following tests according to the General Terms and Conditions GW 30:

- Initial test
- Renewal test for registration number:
- Factory inspection and sampling (for initial and renewal tests)
- Supplementary test for registration number:

according to ÖVGW quality standard(s), norm(s) or other regulations:

- QS-G:
- QS-W:
- QS-H:
- Norm(s):
- Other regulations:

Module according to the guidelines for the products of Modules A-B-C (ÖVGW Quality Mark):

- Module A (pipes, fittings, domestic installation systems)
- Module B (valves, measuring devices, sealing materials, lubricants, devices and systems for treating drinking water, reverse-current-proof water consumption devices, and other products for the water sector)
- Module C (gas appliances and their accessories)

Additional requirements from decisions of the ÖVGW Certification Board are to be taken into account.

Place, Date

ÖVGW Certification Authority

Additions/suggestions for assessment, corrections by the ÖVGW Testing and Inspection Body or by the auditor (to be returned to the certification body):

Place, Date

ÖVGW Testing and Inspection Body/Auditor



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Attachment (for Product/Proposed Scope of Registration and/or Supplement/Modification)

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0 Purpose

These General Terms and Conditions GW 30 set out the requirements for granting ÖVGW quality marks for products used in the gas and water sectors.

1 ÖVGW quality marks for gas, hydrogen & water products

1.1 General information

The ÖVGW quality marks for gas, hydrogen and water products, together with the associated registration numbers, constitute certification marks granted to products used in gas and water supply on the basis of these General Terms and Conditions GW 30.

The quality mark is registered as a certification mark in the Austrian Patent Office Trademark Register in the following form and enjoys legal protection.



1.2 ÖVGW quality mark for gas

In the gas sector, the quality mark may be granted to products used for gas supply under the name "ÖVGW quality mark for gas". It serves as proof that the relevant components of such products comply with the current state of the art and the requirements of the applicable quality standards at the time the mark is granted, in addition to conformity with applicable standards regarding design and manufacture, in particular with respect to operational safety, environmental compatibility, energy efficiency and proper handling.

1.3 ÖVGW quality mark for hydrogen

In the hydrogen sector, the quality mark may be granted to products used for hydrogen supply under the name "ÖVGW quality mark for hydrogen". It serves as proof that the relevant components of such products comply with the current state of the art and the requirements of the applicable quality standards at the time the mark is granted, in addition to conformity with applicable standards regarding design and manufacture, in particular with respect to operational safety, environmental compatibility, energy efficiency and proper handling.

1.4 ÖVGW Quality mark for water

In the water sector, the quality mark may be granted to products used for water supply under the name "ÖVGW quality mark for water". It serves as proof that the relevant components of such products comply with the current state of the art and the requirements of the applicable quality standards at the time the mark is granted, in addition to conformity with applicable standards regarding design and manufacture, in particular with respect to operational safety, environmental compatibility, energy efficiency and proper handling.

1.5 Registration number

When a quality mark is granted, a registration number is assigned to identify the product. The registration number consists of a four-digit code prefixed by the letter "G", "H" or "W" to indicate a gas, hydrogen or water sector product respectively (for example: G 9.999, H 9.999 or W 9.999). The relevant certification data may be retrieved using the registration number.

2 Basis of applicability

These General Terms and Conditions GW 30 govern the contractual relationships entered into for the purpose of granting quality marks. They are provided to the applicant for a quality mark together with, or no later than, the form "Application for the grant of a quality mark" and shall be deemed expressly accepted when the applicant signs the application.

3 General provisions

3.1 Manufacturer

For the purposes of these General Terms and Conditions GW 30, and in accordance with Section 3 of the Product Liability Act, a manufacturer is any person or entity that manufactures a finished product, a raw material or a component part, or that presents itself as the manufacturer by affixing its name, trademark or other distinguishing sign to the product.

3.2 ÖVGW auditor

An ÖVGW auditor ("auditor") is a suitably trained person qualified to carry out tests in accordance with Item 7. ÖVGW must recognise the auditor's scope of activity. Recognition as an auditor is granted in accordance with a procedure governed by ÖVGW's quality management system.

3.3 ÖVGW's quality standards

ÖVGW's quality standards ("quality standards") define the requirements for the certification of products used in the gas and water sectors and related fields. They constitute product requirements within the meaning of ÖVE/ÖNORM EN ISO/IEC 17065. The tests referred to in Item 7 are based on these quality standards. The standards may be requested from the ÖVGW certification body and are also available on the ÖVGW website.

Unless ÖVGW decides otherwise in an individual case, quality mark holders must implement changes to quality standards and applicable standards without undue delay.

3.4 ÖVGW certificate

The right to use the quality mark is granted by the issuance of an ÖVGW certificate ("certificate"). The certificate specifies the registration number, the period of validity, the quality mark holder, any authorised distributors, the manufacturer where applicable, the type of test under Item 7, the test report number issued by the testing and inspection body, the quality standards on which the test is based, and the products for which the quality mark has been requested and which have been tested. The certificate shall be issued only in the name of the quality mark holder and must clearly identify the certified product in question, including its type, dimensions, length, material, pressure, performance class, model, design and any comparable characteristics.

Certificates remain the property of ÖVGW. The quality mark holder may provide them to third parties only in accordance with these General Terms and Conditions GW 30 and the requirements of the certification body.

If the quality mark holder provides the certificate to third parties, only the complete and unaltered certificate may be provided. In addition, the quality mark holder must also provide a current extract from ÖVGW's Quality Mark Register confirming that the quality mark remains valid.

3.5 Products

A product is any tangible movable item within the meaning of Section 4 of the Product Liability Act, including any services associated with such a product where applicable.

3.6 Test and inspection report

A test and inspection report ("test report") shall be prepared for every test referred to in Items 7.1 to 7.7. The test report forms the basis for the decision regarding the quality mark. It shall be prepared by a testing and inspection body and must contain all evidence and documents required under the relevant quality standards. Unless ÖVGW has imposed additional requirements, the test report must comply with the current requirements of the relevant standards, in particular ÖVE/ÖNORM EN ISO/IEC 17020 or ÖNORM EN ISO/IEC 17025, and must not be more than one year old at the time it is received by ÖVGW, unless the certification board decides otherwise. For this purpose, the decisive date is the date on which the test report is signed by the testing and inspection body.

3.7 Testing and inspection bodies

The tests under Item 7 and the preparation of test reports in accordance with Item 3.6 shall be carried out by recognised, state-accredited testing and inspection bodies contractually bound to ÖVGW. Recognition as an ÖVGW testing and inspection body is granted in accordance with a procedure governed by ÖVGW's quality management system. A list of recognised testing and inspection bodies may be requested from ÖVGW or accessed on the ÖVGW website.

3.8 Quality mark holder

A quality mark holder is any natural person or legal entity to whom a quality mark has been granted. The quality mark holder must ensure that the certified products meet all certification requirements throughout the entire period of validity of the quality mark.

3.9 Quality mark applicant

A quality mark applicant is any natural person or legal entity that has applied to be granted a quality mark. The applicant must ensure that the product to be certified meets all certification requirements.

3.10 Confidentiality

Unless statutory disclosure obligations require otherwise, the certification body shall treat as confidential all information, data and documents received from or concerning the quality mark applicant or holder.

3.11 Authorised distributors

Authorised distributors are companies authorised to place products on the market in accordance with Section 6 of the Product Liability Act.

3.12 Certification boards

The ÖVGW bodies known as the Certification Board for Gas and the Certification Board for Water are committees of the gas and water sectors composed on an equal basis. They act as specialist advisory, steering and recommending bodies in matters relating to product certification. Their composition and structure are governed by ÖVGW's Rules of Procedure.

3.13 Certification body

ÖVGW is a state-accredited, independent certification body for products used in gas and water supply. It has been accredited for this purpose by order of the competent Federal Minister.

4 Granting of the quality mark

Only manufacturers and/or authorised distributors of products used in gas or water supply may apply for a quality mark, that is, for the right to use the quality mark.

The quality mark shall be granted if the products submitted for certification meet the requirements of the relevant quality standards. Such conformity must be demonstrated by a test report issued by a testing and inspection body. The quality mark is granted on the basis of that test report by issuing a certificate together with the corresponding registration number.

During the validity period, the quality mark holder is entitled to use the quality mark in its business dealings for the products listed in the certificate, together with the corresponding registration number.

5 Period of validity of the quality mark

The quality mark is granted for a period of three years. The validity period begins on the date the certificate is issued.

The validity period may be renewed for further periods of three years provided that a renewal test confirms continued compliance with the relevant quality standards. If an application for renewal testing is submitted before the current validity period expires, the validity period shall be extended until ÖVGW issues a decision on renewal, but for no longer than six months. In justified exceptional cases, the certification board may grant a further extension of up to six additional months beyond the initial six-month period. If the renewal test has not been successfully completed within this maximum period of twelve months, a new initial application must be submitted.

6 Certification requirements

The right to use the quality mark requires that the submitted products meet the relevant certification requirements. In addition to the quality standards, these requirements include all other provisions with which ÖVGW requires compliance, such as these General Terms and Conditions GW 30, the Fee Schedule and any requirements imposed by resolution of the certification board. All certified products must comply with the certification requirements at all times.

ÖVGW shall give appropriate notice of the current certification requirements, for example on its website.

Products that deviate from the provisions of the relevant quality standards may nevertheless be granted the quality mark upon a reasoned application, provided that the certification board considers this objectively justified. In such cases, the provisions of the relevant quality standards shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the testing of those products. The test results must include an assessment of the deviating features.

7 Types of test

7.1 Initial test

The purpose of the initial test is to determine whether a product submitted for certification for the first time meets the relevant quality standards. The quality mark applicant shall commission the test, which shall extend to all parts of the product.

Unless the quality standards provide otherwise, the auditor shall select the test sample from production and/or from stock. Any deviation from this rule shall be permissible only in special product-specific cases and must be justified in the test report.

Together with the products to be tested, the test documentation prescribed by the relevant quality standards shall be submitted electronically to the testing and inspection body in German, unless the certification body determines otherwise.

Unless the quality standards provide otherwise, the auditor shall carry out an initial inspection of the plant in order to verify compliance with production requirements and production quality. Such an initial inspection may be omitted if an inspection has already been carried out under other applicable provisions, in particular EU legislation or standards, or if an inspection is not

appropriate in the specific case in light of the recognised objectives of certification under EU law. The quality mark applicant must permit such inspection.

7.2 Control test

At least once a year, the quality mark holder, whether manufacturer and/or authorised distributor, must allow an auditor to carry out a control test in order to verify the continued compliance of the certified products. The content and scope of the control test are defined in the relevant quality standards. The results of the control test shall be documented and shall form the basis for any renewal test. The quality mark holder shall conclude a monitoring agreement with a testing and inspection body designated by ÖVGW in order to ensure that the annual control test is carried out in due time.

7.3 Supplementary test

A supplementary test of a product bearing a quality mark is intended to determine the impact of changes in the production method or product composition on product quality. Parts unaffected by the change may be excluded from the investigation. In the case of a type series, the auditor shall determine which individual products are to be tested. The test documentation prescribed by the relevant quality standards shall be submitted to the extent required by the testing and inspection body.

7.4 Design Drawing Review

A design drawing review may be carried out where a product bearing a quality mark is acquired and modified only to the extent that its risk profile remains unchanged. In doubtful cases, the certification board shall decide, at the request of the quality mark applicant or holder, whether a drawing review is sufficient. The test documentation prescribed by the relevant quality standards shall be submitted electronically to the testing and inspection body in German, unless the certification body determines otherwise.

7.5 Renewal test

The purpose of the renewal test is to extend the validity period of the quality mark for a further three years. It shall be carried out if the required control tests have been conducted in due time. The renewal test shall be commissioned by the quality mark holder and carried out on the basis of the quality standards in force at the time of renewal.

Unless the quality standards provide otherwise, the auditor shall select the test sample from production and/or from stock. Any deviation from this rule shall be permissible only in special product-specific cases and must be justified in the test report.

Together with the products to be tested, the test documentation prescribed by the relevant quality standards shall be submitted electronically to the testing and inspection body in German, unless the certification body determines otherwise. Documentation from previous tests that is still valid at the time of the renewal test may also be used.

The auditor shall inspect the plant in order to verify compliance with production requirements and production quality, unless such an inspection has already been carried out under other applicable provisions, in particular EU legislation or standards, or an inspection is not appropriate in the specific case in light of the recognised objectives of certification under EU law. The quality mark holder must permit such inspection.

7.6 Special test

Upon a duly substantiated request by ÖVGW, the quality mark holder shall have the test item undergo a special test in order to demonstrate continued compliance with the requirements of the relevant quality standards. ÖVGW shall prescribe a procedure that constitutes the least burdensome measure with regard to the requirements to be examined.

If the test item meets the requirements, the costs of the special test shall be borne equally by the quality mark holder and ÖVGW. If the test shows that the test item does not meet the relevant quality standards, the quality mark holder shall bear the full costs.

7.7 Witness test

As an accredited certifier, ÖVGW is legally required to review the activities and expertise of its auditors on a regular basis. For this reason, ÖVGW must conduct random witness tests at regular intervals. For that purpose, a suitably qualified and knowledgeable member of ÖVGW's supervisory body accompanies the respective auditor during the audit activities in order to help safeguard the quality level of the testing process.

7.8 Test expenses

The costs of the tests/review shall be borne by the quality mark applicant or holder, except for the costs of witness tests. The quality mark applicant or holder shall also provide the test item free of charge, again with the exception of witness tests.

8 Procedure for granting the quality mark

ÖVGW grants the quality mark in accordance with the following procedure:

- a. The quality mark applicant submits a written application to ÖVGW for the grant of a quality mark. The required form may be obtained from ÖVGW by post or via the internet at www.ovgw.at. By submitting the application, the quality mark applicant accepts these General Terms and Conditions GW 30. Acceptance or rejection of the application shall be at ÖVGW's sole discretion.

The application to ÖVGW, whether an initial application, renewal application or supplementary application, must be submitted in good time before the commencement of testing and inspection activities by the testing and inspection body selected by the quality mark applicant.

- b. In the application for the grant of a quality mark, the quality mark applicant requests that ÖVGW issue a testing order, in the applicant's name and for the applicant's account, to the testing and inspection body designated in the application. ÖVGW forwards the application to the testing and inspection body and informs the quality mark applicant accordingly. Upon such notification, a contract relating to the granting of the quality mark comes into existence between the quality mark applicant and ÖVGW.
- c. If testing and inspection activities cannot commence within a maximum period of twelve months after submission of the application for reasons attributable to the quality mark applicant, the applicant must submit a new application for the grant of the quality mark.
- d. Once the necessary tests have been completed or the test reports have been received, the products are submitted to the certification board, which evaluates the tested products. Any notices or requirements to be issued to the quality mark applicant shall be determined at that stage. The certification board then decides whether it can recommend the grant of the quality mark.
- e. The testing and inspection body shall simultaneously send its final test report, together with the invoice, electronically and in German to both the quality mark applicant and ÖVGW, unless the certification body determines otherwise.
- f. Upon receipt of a positive recommendation from the certification board, ÖVGW grants the quality mark and sends the certificate and the corresponding registration number to the quality mark holder. If a quality mark is not granted, the quality mark applicant shall be informed accordingly and the reasons shall be given.
- g. The right to use the quality mark applies only to the products expressly identified in the relevant certificate. The quality mark holder may enforce through the courts any claims arising from this right against third parties.

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Labelling

After receipt of the certificate, the quality mark holder must label the tested products with the quality mark and the corresponding registration number, or with the name "ÖVGW" and the corresponding registration number, in a clearly legible and durable manner. If it is impossible to label the products in this way, the label must at least appear on the immediate packaging. The quality mark holder may also use the quality mark in documents, brochures, electronic media, advertising materials and similar materials.

The quality mark, or the name "ÖVGW" together with the corresponding registration number, may be used only for those products expressly identified in the certificate.

By labelling the products, the quality mark holder confirms that the manufactured products fully conform to the tested product. If the manufactured products differ from the tested product, they may not be labelled with the quality mark and corresponding registration number.

The following forms of labelling are permissible for certified products:

ÖVGW (geprüft) W X.XXX



W X.XXX

or

ÖVGW (geprüft) G X.XXX



G X.XXX

or

ÖVGW (geprüft) H X.XXX



H X.XXX

Other forms of labelling, in particular those involving integration of the registration number into the ÖVGW logo, are not permitted.

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Fees

ÖVGW charges a registration fee for granting the right to use the quality mark. The amount of the fee is determined by the Management Board of ÖVGW and is set out in the current Fee Schedule applicable at the time of invoicing, which is published on the ÖVGW website. The fee is indicated to the quality mark holder in the invoice.

If the quality mark is withdrawn or if the quality mark holder terminates the contractual relationship prematurely, no claim to a refund of registration fees shall arise. Nor shall any refund be available if the quality mark holder becomes insolvent or ceases to exist as a legal entity.

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Withdrawal of the quality mark

ÖVGW may withdraw from the quality mark holder, with immediate effect or within a reasonable period of time, the right to use the quality mark and the corresponding registration number, after first giving the holder an opportunity to comment, if:

- a. the quality mark holder does not allow the control tests under Item 7.2 to be carried out;
- b. the quality mark holder fails to comply with its obligations under the contractual relationship;
- c. circumstances become known that would preclude the grant or renewal of the quality mark;
- d. it transpires that the quality mark was granted or renewed on the basis of false or incorrect information;
- e. the quality mark, the certificate or the registration number is or has been misused;
- f. misleading information is or has been provided regarding the circumstances or scope of the certification;
- g. the quality mark holder fails, or fails fully, to satisfy the requirements or obligations imposed upon it; or
- h. the certification requirements are no longer met.

12 Expiration of the quality mark

The right to use the quality mark expires, unless the certification board sets a later date in an exceptional case at the request of the quality mark holder, if:

- a. the quality mark holder does not apply for a renewal test by the end of the validity period;
- b. no positive test reports for a renewal test applied for in due time are available within six months after the end of the validity period, unless the certification board decides otherwise;
- c. production of the certified products is permanently discontinued, unless the certification board sets a later expiration date in an exceptional case at the request of the quality mark holder;
- d. the relevant contract is terminated; or
- e. the quality mark holder fails to conduct an annual control test by the end of the relevant calendar year.

13 Other rights and obligations of the quality mark applicant/holder

Quality mark applicants and holders shall also have the following rights and obligations:

- a. The quality mark applicant or holder must satisfy all certification requirements. This includes compliance with changes announced by ÖVGW and with orders issued in individual cases.
- b. The quality mark holder shall provide information to any person about the version of the relevant quality standards on which certification of the products it has placed on the market is based.
- c. The quality mark applicant or holder shall comply in due time with any orders issued by ÖVGW requiring defects to be remedied.
- d. Any transport of test items required for testing and evaluation, including transport to and from the testing and inspection body and/or to and from the meeting place of the certification board, shall be at the expense and risk of the quality mark applicant or holder.
- e. The quality mark holder shall maintain a system ensuring the handling and documentation of complaints and notices of defects relating to certified products.

f. The quality mark holder shall maintain records of any defects identified and of any complaints concerning certified products made by third parties, and shall retain such records for at least three years. As part of control tests, or upon request by ÖVGW, those records and documentation concerning corrective measures taken must be submitted.

g. If the quality mark holder becomes aware of material defects in certified products it has placed on the market, it must promptly notify ÖVGW. ÖVGW shall be entitled to disclose such defects.

h. The quality mark holder must promptly notify ÖVGW of any intended change to a certified product arising from technical, commercial or other considerations. ÖVGW shall then decide what type of test under Item 7 may be required.

i. The quality mark holder shall ensure that auditors are granted access to all manufacturers and authorised distributors for the purposes of the relevant tests under Item 7.

j. To the extent that ÖVGW receives complaints concerning a quality mark holder, the latter must permit those complaints to be examined and must cooperate in the examination.

k. Following withdrawal or expiration of a quality mark, the former quality mark holder may no longer refer to the certification. All promotional activity must cease. The original certificate must be returned.

l. The quality mark may be transferred to a new quality mark holder only with the prior consent of ÖVGW. A condition of such consent is that the current quality mark holder declares that it will transfer all rights and obligations arising from the contractual relationship with ÖVGW to the intended future quality mark holder, and that the future quality mark holder declares that it will fully assume those rights and obligations.

14 Publications

The granting, withdrawal or expiration of quality marks shall be published in ÖVGW's trade journal "Forum – Gas Wasser Wärme" and, where necessary, in other publications and/or on the internet, citing the relevant registration numbers. In addition, ÖVGW shall regularly publish a complete list of all valid quality marks.

15 Limitations of liability

Except in cases of wilful misconduct or gross negligence, ÖVGW shall not be liable for any damage suffered by quality mark applicants or holders arising from the granting or failure to grant, modification, withdrawal or expiration of a quality mark, or from incorrect or inaccurate information contained in the corresponding certificates. In this connection, ÖVGW may in particular rely on the fact that the essential test results stated in the summary of the relevant test report have been determined and assessed by experts and are substantively correct. Quality mark applicants and holders must pass these limitations of liability on to their customers for the benefit of ÖVGW.

16 Applicable law

This contractual relationship and all questions relating to its validity shall be governed by Austrian law, excluding the conflict-of-law rules of private international law.

17 Dispute resolution and jurisdiction

17.1 Dispute resolution

All disputes arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, including disputes regarding its existence, breach, termination or invalidity, shall be finally settled under the Arbitration and Mediation Rules of the International Arbitral Centre of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber in Vienna (Vienna Rules) by three arbitrators appointed in accordance with those Rules. Austrian substantive law shall apply. The language of the arbitration proceedings shall be German.

17.2 Jurisdiction

The Commercial Court of Vienna shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any ancillary disputes arising out of this contractual relationship that are not subject to Item 17.1.

18 Date of applicability

These General Terms and Conditions GW 30 shall apply as of 1 March 2026.