

EPSM Membership Fee Rules

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For all EPSM members, the following rules do apply:

- 1. The annual membership fee is Euro 1 600,- for a full year and in case of new members proportional Euro 133,33 per month for each started month of the membership.
- 2. The annual membership fee will be due for all members that are voting or non-voting members effective on 1st January of each year.
- 3. For members that cancel their membership during a year, the full annual membership fee will still be due. There will be no refund and no proportional calculation of the membership fee.
 - Only in case of cancellation of a membership and financial hardship of the former member (like high costs for closing a business), the former member can apply in writing to the EPSM board for a waiver of the outstanding membership fee. Two members of the EPSM board will decide on giving this waiver and will inform all members.
- 4. The membership fee will be invoiced in January of each year. The due date will be app. 4 weeks after the invoice date and will be printed on the invoice.
- 5. All changes to a member's billing information, especially any changes in the billing address or contact person, have to be send without delay by the member to office@epsm.eu.
- 6. In case a member needs a "Purchase Order number" or similar item on the invoice, the member has to send this number by e-mail to office@epsm.eu until Dec15th of the preceding year.
- 7. The membership fee is payable in full amount the Euro account of the EPSM. In case of non-Euro credit transfers, the sender has to pay the transaction cost (e.g. SWIFT cost option for the sender: "OUR").
- 8. The membership fee is a "true membership fee" according to EU and German tax laws. It will be invoiced without VAT.
- 9. According to the bylaws of EPSM, membership is continuously valid. Therefore, an active, written cancellation (by paper, fax, or scanned pdf-file per email) is needed to cancel the EPSM membership.
- 10. In case an EPSM membership invoice will not be paid in time, a typical collection process will be started: 1st step: an e-mail-based "Informal Reminder", 2nd step: a paper-based "First Formal Reminder", 3rd step: a paper-based "Second Formal Reminder" 4th step: a paper-based "Third and Last Formal Reminder", as final step by decision of the EPSM board: exclusion from the EPSM according to the bylaws, afterwards optional transfer to a professional collection specialist.

New membership fee approved at the EPSM Annual General Meeting, Frankfurt, 29th June 2023.