The health & safety of our exhibitors, visitors and partners is our highest priority. We have been following the development of the coronavirus COVID-19 for several weeks and are in close contact with the responsible health authorities in Berlin also including current recommendations and risk assessments from the Federal Ministry of Health (BMG).

The situation is developing very dynamically and it is difficult to make a conclusive assessment of the issue. However, the danger for Germany is currently classified as „moderate“ (Robert Koch Institute). This assessment and the size of our event, which can still be organizationally mapped, and the composition of participants (limited internationality) has led us to the following decision:

As things stand at present, DMEA will take place without restrictions as planned from April 21 to 23, 2020.

At DMEA, we will implement the preventive measures recommended by the WHO and Robert Koch Institute:

**Hand hygiene**
1. Hand disinfectant dispensers will be available at all entrances and in all restrooms.
2. Cleaning and disinfection intervals will be increased, especially for handrails, door handles and other frequently used surfaces.

**Rules of conduct**
1. Avoid physical contact, including hugs or shaking hands.
2. Sneeze into the crook of your arm (not your hand).
3. Avoid repeated use of handkerchiefs.

We recommend the following websites for further information:

**World Health Organization**

If you have any questions about the coronavirus or any other issue, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will keep you up to date on any further developments.

Your DMEA Team

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