

Terms and Conditions McCie-Trip 2014/2015

1 Establishment agreement

1. The day on which the digital or written registration takes place is the day the agreement takes effect.
2. Bachelor students will have to have passed their propaedeutic exam of the study program (Artificial Intelligence or Computing Science at the University of Groningen) you are currently attending. People that have not passed the propaedeutic exam will not be able to enroll for the trip.
3. Master students will have to be enrolled in the Artificial Intelligence, the Human Machine Communication or the Computing Science master at the University of Groningen.
4. Upon registering the participant is obliged to pay for and participate in the trip to New Zealand from the 17th of April until the 8th of May and make the case that is part of this agreement.
5. In case of over-registration, the McCie will determine in a weighted drawing of lots who will not be able to participate. Enrollment and all ensuing obligations are void if the participant is chosen at random this way.
6. The contents of the programme is determined by the data as they appear on the website or in other publications of the McCie. Obvious mistakes or errors of the McCie do not bind the McCie. The McCie can not be held responsible to the content of information that is published by third parties.
7. If the participant expressed certain preferences at the establishment of the agreement regarding the services to be provided by the McCie, the McCie will take these preferences into account. However, no rights can be derived from the expressed preferences.
8. The McCie reserves the right to change the terms and conditions, also with regard to agreements already entered, before the registration deadline (November 5th, 2014). Should this occur, the McCie will notify the participant in writing and the participant will be able to cancel the agreement free of charge.

2 Weighted drawing of lots

1. There will be a weighted drawing of lots that is based on the amount of ECTS you have gotten to determine who can come in case of over-registration. The amounts of lots that will be given to each participant is based on the following formula for Bachelorstudents: $(\text{Amount of ECTS} + 60)/1,2$ (rounded up). This will result in an amount between 100 and 200 lots depending on how far in your studies you are. Masterstudents

will get 225 lots. The amount of ECTS is the amount of ECTS that the participant had on the day of opening of registration (9th of October).

2. McCie members will not partake in the drawing of lots but will get a guaranteed place on the trip.

3 Payment

1. The Participation fee is € 800 barring printing or typing errors.
2. McCie members will get a 10% discount on the participation fee.
3. Payment is done through sending the amount as published on the website of the McCie to the CTF.
4. If the amount is not send on time, the participant will be contacted by the treasurer of the CTF.
5. The amount (€800) will either have to be send in four (4) terms, namely on November 24 2014, December 24 2014, Januari 24 2015 and Februari 2015, or in a single term on November 24 2014.
6. If the treasurer of the McCie and of CTF(Cover Travel Foundation) notes that a participant waives their financial obligations, the travel contract is - after demand for payment - terminated by the McCie. The participant still owes the fee to CTF.
7. If the participant's financial obligations have not been met on time, he/she is not allowed to participate on the trip until the payment has been made.

4 Participation fee

1. The published rates are per person and include only the services and facilities as defined in publications made by the McCie.
2. The participation fee is based on prices, exchange rates, fuel prices, charges and taxes, as they were known to the McCie at the time the publication went to press. The McCie reserves the right to increase the participation fee due to increases because of reasons listed above, also with regard to agreements already entered, up to 20 days before the day of departure. The increase will not exceed 10% of the participation fee.

5 Case

1. The case is a 100 hour job that is to be done at CrowdyNews. Participants will form groups to work together on these cases. These groups will be made by the McCie, any preferences towards groups will have to be made clear towards the McCie at the moment of registration. However, no rights can be derived from the expressed preferences
2. The case will be made in such a way that it will match the knowledge level of the participant as best as possible.

3. Working on the case and group division will start a couple of weeks after registration deadline.
4. The case will have to be finished by the end of the third period. Failing to work for 100 hours before that moment will result in removal from the trip.
5. Participants that do not want to do a case will have to pay for their plane ticket themselves. Agreements about this can be made by contacting the McCie.

6 Cancellation

1. Cancelling the agreement by the participant must be in writing. If canceled, the traveler owes a part of the travel fee to the McCie. This amount depends on the date of the termination, as displayed in table 1.

Date	Cancellation costs
Cancellation before registration deadline (November 5th, 2014)	No fee
Cancellation after the registration deadline (November 5th, 2014)	All the costs that have already been made, for example the costs of the hotel and plane tickets (these costs may exceed the participation fee)
Cancellation after finishing the case but before the trip	All the costs that have already been made, except the plane ticket.

Table 1: Cancellation costs

2. A participant who is unable to take part in the trip may have another suitable person take his place, under the following conditions:
 - (a) that the McCie or other service providers, like CrowdyNews, involved in the implementation of the agreement not oppose the substitution;
 - (b) that the replacement person meets all terms and conditions linked to the agreement;
 - (c) that the replacement person sends a written statement, stating that he/she has taken note of the travel program, the rules regarding cases and the terms and conditions;
 - (d) that the replacement person agrees to these terms and conditions;
3. The participant and the replacement person are jointly and individually responsible to CTF for payment of the outstanding invoice at the time of substitution and any additional costs of replacement.
4. In consultation with the McCie exceptions to the abovementioned terms can be deviated from in extreme cases, such as mortality or severe illness.

7 Luggage and travel documents

1. The participant must have all required travel documents in possession on departure.
2. The McCie is not liable if the participant is unable to attend the trip, or parts thereof as a result of deficiencies in his travel documents (or lack thereof).
3. The McCie is not liable for damage to, or loss of luggage and travel documents.

8 Accountability

1. In case of accountability by the McCie, this accountability is limited to which is agreed in these terms of agreement.
2. The McCie is not accountable for any damage as the result of:
 - (a) shortcomings in the implementation of the agreement based on conditions which are attributable to the participant, including damage as a result of health conditions of the participant;
 - (b) actions and influences of third parties, which are not related to the implementation of conditions;
 - (c) conditions which are not due to the fault of the McCie and/or, under the law or standards in social interaction , cannot be reasonably attributed to the McCie;
 - (d) the McCie is not accountable for any indirect or consequential damage as a result of actions of the participant;
3. The McCie accepts no liability for damage for which travel and/or cancellation insurance coverages tend to provide.
4. Insofar the McCie can be held liable for damage suffered by the participant, such liability shall be limited or excluded in accordance with the relevant international treaties.