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Room of Silence

Room user guidelines

Preamble

The Room of Silence is intended as a place of contemplation, rest and retreat. Users should show respect for the faith, feelings and beliefs of others and for all gender and sexual identities. Tolerant behaviour towards people with different opinions and the recognition of religious and ideological pluralism as well as the principles of gender equity are self-evident. The users of the Room of Silence commit themselves to respectful, accepting and considerate cooperation.

Access

- The transponder for the Room of Silence can be collected from the reception of building A.
- The transponder must not be passed on to others.
- The room is available for use during the opening hours of the H-BRS.

Use

- The room is available to all members of the university.
- The room can be used for contemplation and rest by individuals of any ideology or religion.
- Thanks to its neutral nature, the room is suitable for prayer of all denominations, for meditation, etc.
- Please be considerate, calm and avoid making noise.
- Please turn off your electronic devices before using the room.
- Please be considerate regarding the duration of your use and inform the contact person if anything is unclear.

Outer appearance

- Please make sure to keep the room clean and tidy.
- Political symbols (such as posters, logos, etc.) are prohibited in the room.
- Religious symbols (such as images, scripture, symbols, etc.) may be used in the Room of Silence.
- After using the room, please return it to a neutral state and return any utensils into the intended storage furniture.
- If the room is not in a proper condition when you enter it, please inform the contact person.
- Any changes to the room and its fixtures must only be made by the Vice President for International Affairs and Diversity. Please address any suggestions regarding equipment to the contact person.

Responsibility and contact person

- Prof. Dr. Jürgen Bode, Vice President International Affairs and Diversity, is responsible for the room.
- Sarah Friedrichs, Head of Diversity Management, is available as your point of contact (+49 2241-865-137, sarah.friedrichs@h-brs.de).

Users who do not observe these rules may be excluded from using the room or the area of silence.

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Additional open Area of Silence in front of the Room of Silence (B153)

- The optically separated area in front of the Room of Silence serves as an additional open Area of Silence.
- This area has the same purpose as the Room of Silence.
- The same rules as for the Room of Silence itself apply.
- You may use and place objects on this area. After using the area, please return it to a neutral state
 and return any utensils into the intended storage furniture in room B153 or take them back afterwards.
- No utensils and equipment are allowed to be stored or deposited on the open area.

Users who do not observe these rules may be excluded from using the room or the area of silence.

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