



Article 1 - GENERAL

Definitions:

Agreement:	Any agreement and/or legal act between IMCD and the Purchaser in connection with the purchase of products by the Purchaser from IMCD.
Business Day:	means a day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or a public holiday) when banks in UAE are open for retail business. IMCD Middle East Trading LLC, having its registered office at Business Bay, Bay Square, Building 13, 6th Floor, Office # 601, Dubai, UAE.
Intellectual Property Rights:	means all patents, rights to inventions, utility models, copyright and related rights, trademarks, service marks, trade, business and domain names, rights in trade dress or get-up, rights in goodwill or to sue for passing off, unfair competition rights, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database right, topography rights, moral rights, rights in confidential information (including know-how and trade secrets) and any other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications for and renewals or extensions of such rights, and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection in any part of the world.
Purchaser:	any legal or natural person that wishes to conclude, concludes or has concluded an Agreement with IMCD, as well as any legal or natural person to which IMCD supplies or has supplied products.
Terms and Conditions:	these general terms and conditions of sale of IMCD.

- 1.1 Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, these Terms and Conditions shall apply to all offers and quotes from IMCD, to the Agreement and to all acts and legal acts between IMCD and the Purchaser to the exclusion of any other terms that the Purchaser seeks to impose or incorporate, or which are implied by trade, custom, practice or course of dealing, including the Purchaser's standard terms and conditions of purchase (if applicable)
- 1.2 Departures from these Terms and Conditions are only valid if they were expressly agreed in writing and signed by the duly authorised representatives of both the Purchaser and IMCD.
- 1.3 The text of the Agreement shall prevail over these Terms and Conditions in the event of a conflict.
- 1.4 IMCD may amend these Terms and Conditions at its sole discretion and the Purchaser shall be bound by the latest version of these Terms and Conditions. The latest version of these Terms and Conditions may be found online at www.imcdgroup.com.

Article 2 - OFFERS AND AGREEMENTS

- 2.1 All offers, quotes and price proposals from IMCD shall be subject to these Terms and Conditions at all times and may be amended or revoked at any time prior to the Purchaser's acceptance thereof, regardless of whether they contain a period for acceptance.
- 2.2 An Agreement shall come into existence upon timely written acceptance by the Purchaser of IMCD's offer, quotation or price proposal, as applicable. The Agreement shall exist on the basis of these Terms and Conditions, which the Purchaser is deemed to have accepted upon acceptance of IMCD's offer, quotation or price proposal, as applicable. IMCD shall be entitled to rely on the accuracy of any information provided by the Purchaser for purposes of providing an offer, quotation or price proposal, including but not limited to the description and quantity of products.
- 2.3 The Purchaser acknowledges that it has not relied on any statement, promise or representation made or given by or on behalf of IMCD which is not set out in the Agreement.
- 2.4 Samples, images, descriptive matter and models shown or provided shall serve as indications and are provided for illustrative purposes only, without the products having to comply with those samples, images, descriptive matter and models. Minor variations in stated size, weight, number, colour and other product properties shall not be considered to be defects. Commercial practice shall determine whether variations are minor.
- 2.5 IMCD shall be entitled at all times, before starting or continuing its performance, to require security from the Purchaser for the fulfilment of any of its obligations under any Agreement. The security shall be provided in the manner stipulated by IMCD in its sole discretion.
- 2.6 If the Purchaser has not provided security within fourteen (14) days of a request to that effect, in the manner stipulated by IMCD, all amounts owed by the Purchaser to IMCD shall be due and payable in full and immediately, without prior notice of default being required.

Article 3 - DELIVERIES

- 3.1 Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, the delivery of products shall be ex-works at such premises as IMCD may designate to the Purchaser in writing, from time to time (Incoterms EXW).
- 3.2 Delivery shall take place in accordance with the definitions of the latest version of the Incoterms. In the event of a conflict between these Terms and Conditions and the Incoterms, the Incoterms shall prevail.
- 3.3 The risk attached to the products purchased shall pass to the Purchaser at the time of delivery. The time of delivery is the time that the products purchased arrive at the place of delivery, even if the Purchaser does not accept the delivery. For delivery ex-works, the time of delivery is the time that IMCD notifies the Purchaser in writing that the products purchased are ready for collection.
- 3.4 Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, the delivery date, time or period specified are approximate only and time shall not be of the essence. The mere fact that IMCD exceeds the delivery date, time or period provided to Purchaser shall not constitute a breach of the Agreement, shall not result in default or any liability to the Purchaser and shall not entitle the Purchaser to terminate the Agreement or to any other remedy for breach of contract.
- 3.5 If a delivery period has not been expressly provided, the Products shall be delivered within a reasonable period.
- 3.6 IMCD shall have the right at all times to deliver in consignments, and shall always be entitled to invoice for such partial performances separately.
- 3.7 If the Purchaser does not accept delivery, or in the case of ex-works delivery does not collect the products delivered within seven (7) days after delivery and/or in the manner stipulated by IMCD, the Purchaser shall be in default without notice of default being required, and IMCD shall in any case be entitled to invoice for and receive the agreed price. IMCD shall then also be entitled, without prejudice to its other rights under applicable law, to store the products at the Purchaser's expense and risk, all costs arising therefrom, including but not limited to increases in duties, levies, premiums, taxes and charges, shall be payable by the Purchaser.
- 3.8 If a situation provided for in Article 3.7 arises, and, despite being given a reasonable time by IMCD, the Purchaser still fails to accept/collect the products or fails to do so in time, IMCD shall, without prejudice to its other rights under applicable law, these Terms and Conditions and/or the Agreement, be entitled to:
 - (a) store the products until actual delivery/collection and charge the Purchaser for the reasonable costs (including handling and insurance) of storage; and/or
 - (b) sell the products at the best price readily obtainable and (after de-ducting all reasonable storage and selling expenses) account to the Purchaser for any excess over the price paid by the Purchaser (if any) or charge the Purchaser for any shortfall below the price under the price specified

in the Agreement.

Article 4 - PRICES

- 4.1 Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, all prices shall be ex-works. All prices shall be exclusive of value added tax ("VAT"), the costs of transporting and/or dispatching the products, other costs incurred in connection with delivery, government levies and/or taxes payable.
- 4.2 IMCD shall be entitled at all times to change its prices, on condition that prices specified in the Agreement may be changed only if the cost-determining factors on which the prices are based have changed since the Agreement was concluded and prior to delivery. Such price adjustments shall be notified to the Purchaser but shall not entitle the Purchaser to terminate the Agreement. Such cost-determining factors include without limitation raw material prices, labour costs, social security costs, taxes (including VAT and other government levies), import and export duties, any request by the Purchaser to change a collection/delivery date, any request by the Purchaser to change quantities or types of products ordered; or any delay caused by any instructions of the Purchaser in respect of the products or failure of the Purchaser to give IMCD adequate or accurate information or instructions (if applicable) and exchange rate fluctuations.

Article 5 - TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT AND PACKAGING

- 5.1 Unless otherwise agreed, returnable packaging provided by IMCD shall remain the property of IMCD at all times and shall be returned to IMCD in perfect condition after use at Purchaser's sole cost and expense. Additionally, Purchaser shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing, provide to IMCD a deposit, in the amount advised by IMCD, to cover the return of packaging used to transport the Products to the Purchaser. If the returnable packaging is not returned in perfect condition, IMCD shall no longer be obliged to take back the returnable packaging, and the deposit charged shall not be returned to the Purchaser. Furthermore, the deposit shall be forfeited, if returnable packaging provided by IMCD is not returned after two years. Only if the returnable packaging concerns intermediate bulk containers, the Purchaser shall be charged a reasonable rent from thirty (30) days after delivery, in addition to the deposit. This rent shall be charged and invoiced to the Purchaser after the intermediate bulk containers have been returned to IMCD. IMCD shall have the right to deduct the rental charges from the deposit.
- 5.2 The loading or filling of transport equipment and/or packaging made available by the Purchaser shall take place at the Purchaser's expense and risk. If IMCD should nonetheless be liable, the provisions of Article 8 of these Terms and Conditions shall then be applicable.
- 5.3 IMCD shall have the right to refuse to load equipment and/or fill packaging if it does not comply with the reasonable safety requirements set by IMCD from time to time. In that case, IMCD shall not be liable for any costs arising from a possible delay. Costs shall also be understood to include the costs referred to in Article 3.7.

Article 6 - RETURNS, COMPLAINTS AND GUARANTEE

- 6.1 Without prior written consent on its part, IMCD shall not be obliged to accept returns from the Purchaser. If products are returned without the prior written consent of IMCD, their dispatch and storage after their return shall be at the Purchaser's expense and risk.
- 6.2 The risk in returned products shall continue to be borne by the Purchaser until IMCD has accepted the return and the returned products in writing, to which acceptance IMCD may attach conditions.
- 6.3 As an essential part of any Agreement and a basic principle of these Terms and Conditions, the Purchaser acknowledges and expressly accepts to be obliged to check the conformity of the products during their delivery, pointing out any visible non-conformity - including but not limited to quantity, quality, documentation and labeling on the delivery note which shall be signed by the carrier. Lacking of such (signed) notice, the products shall be deemed definitively accepted free of such non-conformity and the Purchaser cannot claim any subsequent non-conformity of the delivered products, that should have been discovered with due care during delivery.
- 6.4 Moreover, the Purchaser has a further essential and material contractual duty to - immediately (i.e. without undue delay) and in any event prior to any use and/or reselling - test and effectively evaluate, among others, whether: (i) the products (including samples and models) meet the specifications, as provided by IMCD; (ii) the products and/or any related technical support and information, as provided by IMCD, are suitable for Purchaser's intended uses and applications. The Purchaser's obligation to inspect, test and evaluate the delivered products as described herein shall, among others, consist out of an application-specific analysis and shall, at least, include testing to determine suitability from a technical as well as health, safety, and environmental standpoint. The Purchaser in breach of these obligations cannot claim any consequent non-conformity and/or defects of the delivered products.
- 6.5 The Purchaser is obliged to notify IMCD of any discovered defect immediately in writing with a description of the defect. Immediateness means that defects are notified at the latest within seven (7) working days after delivery or - in the case of a latent defect (i.e. a defect which was not recognisable during the inspection) - at the latest within three (3) working days after discovery of the defect. The Purchaser in breach of these obligations cannot claim any consequent non-conformity and/or defects of the delivered products.
- 6.6 Submitting complaints shall not release the Purchaser from its payment obligations.
- 6.7 If complaints are submitted in time and in accordance with these Terms and Conditions, and IMCD is reasonably of the opinion that the complaint is justified, IMCD shall be free to choose either to deliver what is lacking, or to redeliver the products found to be unsound free of charge, or to grant a discount on the price. By performing in one of the stated ways, IMCD shall have discharged its warranty obligation under Article 7 fully and shall not be obliged to pay any further compensation. Replaced products shall become the property of IMCD.

Article 7 - WARRANTY

IMCD warrants to the Purchaser that the products sold to the Purchaser shall at the moment of delivery comply with the specifications as provided by IMCD to the Purchaser for such products. IMCD does not make any express or implied warranty as to the merchantability or fitness for any particular purpose of the products. This warranty shall lapse if the Purchaser fails to fulfil its obligations under the Agreement and/or these Terms and Conditions. Invoking the warranty shall not release the Purchaser from its obligations under the Agreement and/or these Terms and Conditions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these Terms and Conditions, in case of a breach of the warranty given to the Purchaser in terms of this Article 7, the Purchaser's only remedy is a claim for specific performance by IMCD of its obligations under such warranty.

Article 8 - LIABILITY

- 8.1 IMCD shall not be liable for any damage sustained by the Purchaser, irrespective of whether this damage is the result of failure by IMCD to fulfil its obligations under the Agreement and/or these Terms and Conditions (including the warranty obligation of Article 7), or of any act and/or omission by IMCD itself and/or by others acting on IMCD's instructions, unless the Purchaser proves that the damage is the result of intentional or willful recklessness by IMCD and/or by others acting on IMCD's instructions.
- 8.2 Unless otherwise provided by law, IMCD shall not be liable for (i) indirect loss of any kind including special or consequential loss, (ii) lost revenue or profits, or (iii) loss suffered by the Purchaser or by a third party as a result of IMCD, or a person for whom it is liable under applicable law, committing



- a non-material breach of the Agreement.
- 8.3 IMCD shall not be liable for damage or loss, of whatever nature and in whatever form, which arises or is incurred after the products delivered by IMCD have been treated and/or processed.
- 8.4 IMCD does not guarantee the completeness and accuracy of information received by IMCD from its own supplier and shall not be liable for any damage – of whatever nature and in whatever form – incurred as a result of the incompleteness or inaccuracy of this information.
- 8.5 The Purchaser shall compensate IMCD for, and indemnify it against, all third-party claims, for whatever reason, in connection with compensation for any damage, costs, interest and/or losses which arise in connection with the products delivered by IMCD to the Purchaser, unless and insofar as the Purchaser demonstrates that the claim falls exclusively within IMCD's area of responsibility.
- 8.6 The provisions of this Article shall also apply in favour of all legal or natural persons used by IMCD to perform its obligations under the Agreement.

Article 9 - COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

- 9.1 The Purchaser shall comply with all applicable laws including but not limited to laws and conventions relating to (a) competition law, (b) anti-bribery, and anti-corruption, and (c) laws relating to export control and customs regulations such as (i) the rules on embargoed countries, (ii) the restrictions on the sale of products to restricted or denied customers, and (iii) the regime for the control of imports, exports, transfer, brokering and transit of dual-use items. The Purchaser shall not directly or indirectly utilise, sell, ship or otherwise transfer, the products purchased from IMCD to or through any country, entity or individual as prohibited under national and international regulations.
- 9.2 Without prejudice to the other provisions in this Article, the Purchaser shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations in performing its obligations under the Agreement in a manner consistent with the IMCD Code of Conduct. The Purchaser confirms to have read and agrees to the IMCD Code of Conduct which is available at the following website: www.imcdgroup.com.
- 9.3 The Purchaser shall procure that any third parties to whom the products from IMCD shall be supplied, whether in original form or as intermediate or end-product, are under the same obligations as set out in this Article such that all third parties down the supply chain, as far as the end-user, are under the same strict compliance.
- 9.4 The Purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless IMCD, its officers, employees, agents, and representatives, from and against all damages, losses, liabilities, penalties, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney fees, as a result of any claim, suit, action, proceeding, demand, judgment or settlement arising out of Purchaser's failure to adhere to the provisions of this Article.

Article 10 - FORCE MAJEURE (NON-ATTRIBUTABLE NON-PERFORMANCE)

- 10.1 In the event that, due to force majeure, IMCD is prevented from performing the Agreement, or performance becomes more costly, IMCD shall have the right to suspend the Agreement in full or in part for the duration of the force majeure situation, or to terminate the Agreement in full or in part, without judicial intervention and without IMCD being obliged to pay any compensation.
- 10.2 The term "force majeure" shall be understood to mean any circumstance, both foreseen and unforeseen, that permanently or temporarily prevents the performance by IMCD of the Agreement. Such circumstances shall in any case be understood to include, without limitation, inability to pay for whatever reason, strikes, excessive staff sickness, interruptions in production, transport problems, fire and other business disruptions, import, export and transportation bans, late or defective delivery by IMCD's suppliers, and other events beyond the control of IMCD, such as flood, storm, natural and/or nuclear disasters, pandemic, epidemic, war and/or threat of war, but also changes in legislation and/or government measures. In addition, IMCD may always rely upon force majeure in the case of unsuitability of products and/or persons used by IMCD to perform the Agreement.
- 10.3 If IMCD suspends performance of the Agreement in accordance with the provisions of this Article, the Purchaser shall, at the request of IMCD, extend any letters of credit prescribed by the Agreement and/or the security required in accordance with Article 2.5 of these Terms and Conditions up to the new delivery date.

Article 11 - PAYMENT

- 11.1 Unless agreed otherwise in writing, payment must be made within fourteen (14) days of the invoice date, without any discount and/or setoff, in the currency specified on the invoice.
- 11.2 If payment in full is not made within the period stated, the Purchaser shall be in default by operation of law and shall be liable to pay 10% annual interest or the statutory interest rate, whichever is the higher.
- 11.3 The Purchaser shall fully pay to IMCD its actual judicial and extrajudicial costs, including legal fees, incurred as a result of the Purchaser's failure to fulfil its obligations under the Agreement in full and/or on time, whereby in any event the Purchaser is obliged for any such failure to pay to IMCD at least extrajudicial costs amounting to 15% of the outstanding amount (which the Purchaser agrees is a fair and reasonable pre-estimation).
- 11.4 Without prejudice to the provisions of Article 6.3 and Article 6.4, complaints about invoicing or disputed amounts may only be made within the payment term. Complaints shall be submitted in writing. The submission of complaints shall not suspend the Purchaser's payment obligation in respect of any undisputed amounts.
- 11.5 Payments shall be deducted firstly from judicial costs, extrajudicial collection costs and interest payable, and then from the outstanding principal sums, starting with the oldest outstanding principal sums, regardless of any instructions to the contrary from the Purchaser.
- 11.6 The Purchaser shall be unable to offset any debt to IMCD against any claim of the Purchaser against IMCD.

Article 12 - SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION

- 12.1 Without prejudice to the provisions of Article 10, and without prejudice to the right to claim compensation, IMCD may suspend the fulfilment of its obligations under the Agreement either wholly or in part or terminate the Agreement either wholly or in part, without need for a court order, by means of a written notification, without any obligation to pay compensation, in the event that (there is a reasonable expectation that):
- the Purchaser materially fails to fulfil one of its obligations under the Agreement, such as its obligation to pay on time and in full;
 - an attachment is made against the Purchaser;
 - the Purchaser is granted a moratorium;
 - a petition is filed for the Purchaser's bankruptcy, or the Purchaser is declared bankrupt;
 - the Purchaser makes a payment arrangement with one or more of its creditors;
 - the Purchaser, if a natural person, dies, is placed under guardianship or, in the context of a legal person, is put into administration; or
 - the Purchaser's business is sold or dissolved.
- If, in accordance with Article 12.1, IMCD suspends performance of the Agreement, the Purchaser shall, at the request of IMCD, extend any letters of credit prescribed by the Agreement and/or security required in accordance with Article 2.5 of these Terms and Conditions up to the new delivery date.
- 12.2 If, in accordance with Article 12.1, IMCD terminates the Agreement in whole or in part, IMCD may claim back, as its property, any products delivered



- but not yet paid for in full, offset against any sums already paid, without prejudice to its right to compensation.
- 12.3 If one of the situations described in Article 12.1 arises, all amounts owed by the Purchaser to IMCD shall be due and payable in full and immediately, without prior notice of default being required.
- 12.4 The Purchaser may not suspend compliance with its obligations under or in connection with the Agreement or these Terms and Conditions on whatever grounds.

Article 13 - RESERVATION OF TITLE

- 13.1 The products which IMCD supplies to the Purchaser shall remain the property of IMCD until the Purchaser has paid all amounts, including interest and costs, it owes to IMCD under or in connection with the Agreement. Before payment has been made in full, the Purchaser shall not have the right to fully or partially pledge the products to third parties. Purchaser shall further not have the right to transfer ownership of the products, other than in accordance with its normal activities or the normal use of the products.
- 13.2 The Purchaser shall keep the products delivered subject to a reservation of title with due care and as the recognisable property of IMCD and shall insure these products against damage and theft.
- 13.3 If one of the situations described in Article 12.1 arises, IMCD shall have the right to take back itself, or have someone else take back, the products which are its property, at the Purchaser's expense, from the place where they are located. The Purchaser shall cooperate fully and hereby authorises IMCD irrevocably, if that situation arises, to enter, or have someone enter, the premises in use by or for the Purchaser.
- 13.4 The Purchaser shall not be permitted to rely upon a right of retention with regard to the costs incurred in connection with the safekeeping pursuant to Article 13.3, or to offset those costs against its performance.
- 13.5 If the Purchaser forms a new product from, or partly from, the products delivered to it by IMCD, IMCD shall have co-ownership title and rights on the new product in proportion of the value of the products processed or mixed in relation to the new product. Furthermore, the Purchaser shall keep (part of) the product for IMCD, and IMCD shall always remain the owner equal to its share of co-ownership until all the obligations referred to Article 13.1 have been fulfilled.

Article 14 - INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- 14.1 The Agreement and these Terms and Conditions do not entail any grant, transfer or licensing of any Intellectual Property Rights to the Purchaser.
- 14.2 The Purchaser warrants to IMCD at all times and indemnifies IMCD in this respect that the use by IMCD of data, specifications or material provided by the Purchaser does not breach any statutory regulation or infringe third-party rights.

Article 15 - CONFIDENTIALITY

If IMCD discloses or grants to the Purchaser access to any research, development, technical, economic, or other business information or "know-how" of a confidential nature, whether reduced to writing or not, Purchaser shall treat this information as strictly confidential and shall not, directly or indirectly, make use of any such information or disclose such information to any third party at any time, without IMCD's prior written consent. In the event that Purchaser and IMCD have entered into a separate confidentiality agreement, the terms and conditions of such agreement shall take precedence over the terms of this Article.

Article 16 - INVALIDITY AND CONVERSION

If any provision in the Agreement or these Terms and Conditions is held to be or becomes illegal, invalid, not binding or unenforceable (in each case either in its entirety or in part) under any law of any jurisdiction:

- a) that provision shall to the extent of its illegality, invalidity, lack of binding effect or unenforceability be deemed not to form part of the Agreement but the legality, validity, binding effect and enforceability of the remainder of the Agreement or these Terms and Conditions shall not be affected; and
- b) a provision shall apply between IMCD and the Purchaser which is legal, valid, binding and enforceable which is as similar as possible in terms of contents and purpose.

Article 17 - NOTICE

- 17.1 Any notice or other communication required to be given to a party under or in connection with the Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the other party:
- (a) personally or sent by commercial courier, at its principal place of business with a copy to its registered office (if a company) or (in any other case) the address set out in the Agreement or otherwise provided by a party; or
 - (b) sent by fax or email to the other party's main fax number or email address, respectively.
- 17.2 Any notice or other communication shall be deemed to have been duly received if delivered personally, when left at such address or if delivered by commercial courier, on the date and at the time that the courier's delivery receipt is signed, or if sent by fax or email, on the next Business Day after transmission.

Article 18 - ASSIGNMENT

- 18.1 IMCD may at any time assign, transfer, charge, subcontract or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights under the Agreement or these Terms and Conditions and may subcontract or delegate in any manner any or all of its obligations under the Agreement or these Terms and Conditions to any third party.
- 18.2 Purchaser shall not, without the prior written consent of IMCD, assign, transfer, charge, subcontract or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights or obligations under the Agreement or these Terms & Conditions.

Article 19 - NO PARTNERSHIP OR THIRD PARTY RIGHTS

Nothing in the Agreement is intended to, or shall be deemed to, constitute a partnership or joint venture of any kind between any of the parties, nor constitute any party the agent of another party for any purpose. No party shall have authority to act as agent for, or to bind, the other party in any way. A person who is not a party to the Agreement shall not have any rights under or in connection with it.

Article 20 - WAIVER AND CUMULATIVE REMEDIES:

A waiver of any right under the Agreement is only effective if it is in writing and shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach or default. No failure or delay by a party in exercising any right or remedy under the Agreement or by law shall constitute a waiver of that or any other right or remedy, nor preclude or restrict its further exercise. No single or partial exercise of such right or remedy shall preclude or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy. Unless specifically provided otherwise, rights arising under the Agreement are cumulative and to not exclude rights provided by law.

**Article 21 - AUTHORITY**

Purchaser represents and warrants to IMCD that its signatory to the Agreement has been duly authorised by, and upon execution will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of, the Purchaser enforceable against the Purchaser in accordance with its terms. Specifically, the Purchaser represents and warrants that the signatory to the Agreement has authority to bind the Purchaser to an arbitration agreement for purposes of Article 22(b).

Article 22 - APPLICABLE LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The laws of the Dubai International Financial Centre ("DIFC") shall apply exclusively to all Agreements and to these Terms and Conditions, and to any non-contractual obligation arising out of or in connection with the Agreement or these Terms and Conditions. All disputes arising in connection with the Agreement or these Terms & Conditions, including disputes concerning the existence and validity thereof, shall, be submitted as follows:

- (a) where the dispute relates to a claim for a sum within the limits specified by the DIFC Small Claims Tribunal from time to time, then the dispute shall be referred by either party exclusively to the DIFC Small Claims Tribunal; and
- (b) for all other disputes, the parties agree to exclusively refer the dispute to mediation or arbitration, as follows: first, either party shall refer the dispute to proceedings under the ICC Mediation Rules. If the dispute has not been settled pursuant to the said Rules within 30 days following the filing of a Request for Mediation or within such other period as the parties may agree in writing, such dispute shall thereafter be finally settled under the Rules of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce by one arbitrator appointed in accordance with the said Rules of Arbitration. The language to be used in the mediation and in the arbitration shall be English. In any mediation or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Clause (b), the seat, or legal place, of the mediation or arbitration shall be the Dubai International Financial Centre, Dubai, UAE.