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UNIVERSITY OF HOHENHEIM  
Executive Management Office

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## **Code of Use, Contemplation Room of the University of Hohenheim**

In its meeting on 8 October 2025, the University of Hohenheim Senate passed the following Code of Use for the Contemplation Room of the University of Hohenheim based on Sec. 19(1) Sentence 2 No. 10 of the State Higher Education Act (Landeshochschulgesetz, LHG) from 1 January 2005 (Law Gazette (GBl.) p. 1), most recently amended by Article 24 of the Act of 17 December 2024 (Law Gazette 2024 no. 114).

### **Section 1 Preamble**

(1) As an institution open to the world, the University of Hohenheim promotes treating each other with esteem and respect. The diversity of university members in terms of ideology and religion is an important part of the university's self-image. This gives rise to the principle of not discriminating on the basis of gender or religion, for example.

(2) The Contemplation Room deliberately refrains from any religious or ideological orientation.

### **Section 2 Purpose of use**

The Contemplation Room is currently located at Emil-Wolff-Str. 30, 70599 Stuttgart. It serves as a retreat for all students and employees at the University of Hohenheim. In everyday life it offers

- the opportunity for rest and reflection
- a place to promote well-being, for example through meditation
- the opportunity for silent prayer.

### **Section 3 Rules**

Respectful and considerate interaction with one another is a prerequisite for the functioning of the Contemplation Room. This includes in particular:

- The room is available to members of the University of Hohenheim. External guests may use the Room only by agreement with the university (Gender Equality and Diversity Office).
- Electronic devices such as cell phones, laptops, etc. must be switched off. The room is not used as a workspace.
- To ensure tranquility in the room, please do not hold loud conversations. Music is not permitted.

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- Food and drink are not allowed in the room.
- Smoking, lighting candles, burning incense or similar is not permitted.
- No religious services, ceremonies, or ritual events may be held.
- Any furnishings and equipment in the room must be handled with care. You must not remove objects from the room.
- The room must not be redesigned in its existing form.
- You must not leave personal items in the room. Likewise, you must not display flyers or put up posters.
- The escape route to the exit must be kept clear at all times.
- In keeping with mutual respect, other users who behave in accordance with this usage concept must not be excluded from the Contemplation Room. Individuals and groups may be excluded from using the room in the event of non-compliant behavior.

#### **Section 4 Exclusion from use**

(1) There is no entitlement to the use of the Contemplation Room.

(2) In particular, users may be temporarily or permanently restricted or excluded from using the Contemplation Room if they

- violate this Code of Use or
- misuse the Contemplation Room for criminal acts or
- commit or plan criminal acts in connection with the use of the Contemplation Room.

#### **Section 5 Opening hours**

The Contemplation Room can be used from Monday to Friday between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

#### **Section 6 Contact for questions and suggestions**

If you have any questions and suggestions, contact the Gender Equality and Diversity Office:

Gender Equality and Diversity Office  
[gleichstellung@uni-hohenheim.de](mailto:gleichstellung@uni-hohenheim.de)

#### **Section 7 Entry into force**

This Code of Use enters into force on the day after it has been published in the University of Hohenheim's Official Communications.