NEI Conference Code of Conduct

The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) is committed to hosting engaging meetings and conferences where participants can learn and share ideas in a collaborative and safe environment. Attendees and participants are expected to conduct themselves with integrity, courtesy, and respect for others, as well as maintain the highest level of professionalism. This code of conduct applies to all NEI meeting-related events, including in-person at public or private facilities and in virtual events. All attendees, including but not limited to attendees, speakers, exhibitors, staff, guests, and vendors are expected to abide by this code.

Expected Behavior:

• Treat all attendees with respect and consideration, valuing a diversity of views and opinions.
• Communicate openly and with respect for others.
• Abide by the rules and policies of the meeting venue, hotel, NEI contracted facilities, and any other venue associated with an NEI event.
• Notify any NEI staff member of a circumstance perceived to be physically dangerous or in which someone is or appears to be being harassed or otherwise in distress.
• Follow all event, venue, and local safety precautions (including those to prevent transmission of infectious diseases).
• Drink responsibly.

Unacceptable Behavior:

• Any form of harassment, including sexual harassment, bullying, intimidation, or discrimination in any form.
• Disparaging comments related to gender, gender identity, or appearance, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, political views, or affiliation.
• Physical or verbal abuse, or threatening behavior including, but not limited to such behavior directed to or affecting other attendees, speakers, vendors, other service providers and NEI staff.
• Disruption of any presentation, exhibit hall activities, or other events organized by NEI.
• Possession of illegal drugs, marijuana, or firearms at the NEI event.
• Unauthorized audio or visual recording or photography of any presentation.

The list above provides specific examples of unacceptable behavior but is not, and is not intended to be, all-inclusive.
If NEI receives reports that a conference participant has failed to abide by this code of conduct, then NEI may take whatever actions it deems appropriate, including, for example, expulsion from the conference without refund, notification of participant’s employer, and disqualification from attending future events. NEI reserves the right to deny alcohol or any other service, as well as continued attendance at the NEI event, to an attendee whose behavior is disruptive or is deemed by NEI, in its sole discretion, to be inconsistent with this policy.

Reporting Unacceptable Behavior

If you are subject to or witness unacceptable behavior, notify on-site NEI staff immediately. If you cannot locate an NEI staff member, contact: Jon Wentzel | jcw@nei.org | 202.425.6373. Anyone experiencing or witnessing behavior that constitutes a serious threat to the safety of another attendee or the event is advised to contact 911 or ask for public security.

Antitrust Policy

NEI events are to be conducted in compliance with the letter and spirit of all applicable U.S. antitrust laws and regulations. Event participants should be particularly sensitive to any circumstance in which comments are made, or actions taken, which could have, or be perceived to have, an anti-competitive effect. Visit NEI’s antitrust policy for more detail. Please promptly report any antitrust concerns to any NEI staff at the meeting or NEI’s general counsel.

NEI reserves the right to modify or revise these policies at any time with or without notice. Participation constitutes agreement to comply with the Code of Conduct as a condition of attendance.