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INFORMATION GUIDE

INFORMATION AND MEDICAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE OCTOBER 2022 PART-SESSION

The health situation in France and several member States has recently changed and the virus is actively circulating: incidence rates are rising sharply and the number of Covid-19 cases has also increased, as have hospital admissions, including in critical care services.

Without being mandatory, **wearing an FFP2 or surgical mask is highly recommended**, especially for **people at risk, immune-compromised or vulnerable people**, in the Chamber and meeting rooms (due to the absence of physical distancing) as well as in high-traffic areas or other confined spaces where distancing rules cannot be respected.

1. Preventive measures

- ▶ Observe essential preventive measures (physical distancing, wearing masks, hand washing with hydroalcoholic gel, ventilation of closed places).
- ▶ The physical distance between two people is more than 1 metre when wearing a mask, and at least 2 metres in situations where the mask cannot be worn.
- ▶ Self-testing is recommended before going to a reception or a meal.

You can be contagious without knowing it and contaminate other people.

2. Sanitary kits

Kits will be available to members who wish (1 kit/participant) in the lobby of the Palais de l'Europe. They contain FFP2 masks, hydroalcoholic gel, disinfectant wipes, self-test kit, barrier gesture document.

3. Instructions in case of symptoms

People who have even minimal symptoms that can evoke Covid infection (cold, sore throat, cough, fatigue):

- outside the COE: they must not be present in buildings until they have obtained a negative result in an antigenic test to be carried out in pharmacies or in the laboratory. Even if the test is negative, they must still wear an FFP2 mask in the presence of other people and not share meals or snacks. If the test is positive, they must not travel to the Council of Europe and must stay at their hotel in isolation, notify their contact cases, the medical service, Yann de Buyer and their secretary of delegation.
- within the COE: they must immediately wear an FFP2 mask and go to the Medical Service of the Palais de l'Europe for medical care, medical examination and antigenic test
 - If the test is negative: they will be able to resume their activities subject to wearing an FFP2 mask in the presence of other people and not sharing snacks or meals with them
 - If the test is positive: the medical service will arrange their return to the hotel for isolation.

4. Instructions if you are contact case

People who would be **contact case** should wear an FFP2 mask for 7 days after contact, and not share snacks or meals with others:

- If the **antigenic test** (or RT-PCR, self-testing is not recommended) to be carried out after 48 hours after having had the information of contact with the positive person, **is negative**;
- If the **antigenic test is positive**, stay in isolation, notify his own contact cases, the Medical Service, Yann de Buyer and their secretary of delegation.

Practical Information

1. Access to the Palais de l'Europe

The entrances of the Palais will be open as follows

Monday 10 October to Thursday 13 October **7:00 – 21:00**

Friday 14 October **7.00 – 18:00**

Access for delegations will only be possible through the main entrance.

2. Press and MediaBox

Webcast: The session will be webcast live (in English, French, German and Italian) on the PACE Website.

Press accreditations: before completing the [Accreditation form](#), please contact the Communication Department by e-mail (accreditation.press@coe.int) to find out about the special Session arrangements.

Accredited journalists will be able to follow the plenary debates from Press Room (room 4).

Cameras will have access to the press gallery.

The MediaBox will be operational during this part-session.

3. Bank

The bank located in the main entrance hall of the Palais will be open from 8.30 to 5.30 pm.

4. Post office

The post office located in the main entrance hall of the Palais will be open from 9.15 am to 1 pm and from 2 pm to 5 pm from Monday to Tuesday, and from 9.15 am to 1 pm on Friday.

5. Kiosk

The kiosk located in the main entrance hall of the Palais will be open from 8 am to 6 pm.

6. Medical service

A medical service will be provided for the duration of the part-session as from 8.30 am. It is located in the hall of the main entrance (ground floor). The medical service call number is 2442. For emergencies, dial 3300 from an internal phone or 00 33 3 88 41 33 00 from a mobile phone.

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Catering Information

Offer/ place / times

Place	Offer	Times
Blue Restaurant and Portuguese gallery	« à la carte » catering, table service Consumption on the spot	Monday - Friday 11.30 – 14.30
Self & Brasserie	Collective catering Consumption on the spot	Monday - Friday 11.30 – 14.30
Bar des Parlementaires	Viennese pastries Warm drinks and cold drinks Sandwiches, Salads, hot and cold snacks Consumption on the spot or to go	Monday 09.00 – 20.00 Tuesday – Wednesday - Thursday 8.00 – 20.00 Friday 8.00 – 13.00
Bar des 12 étoiles	Viennese pastries Warm drinks and cold drinks Sandwiches, Salads, hot and cold snacks Consumption on the spot or to go	Monday - Friday 08.00 – 15.00