

## Information for for Measures against COVID 19 at FAI Cat.1. Events – 2021 World Spacemodelling Championships, Buzau, Romania

### 1. Websites and Bulletins

These are your first-lines of information management:

- 1) Websites represent the vital primary resource through which you should provide advice and information concerning local / national and travel related Covid matters to competitors and officials. Make sure that your published advice is available as early as possible to advise potential attendees, and updated whenever key information, health directives or other items of importance change or are expected to do so in the future.

<https://frmd.ro/international-competitions-in-romania/2021-fai-s-world-championships-for-space-models/> Here are published the documents for 2021 FAI S WCh for Space Models organized in Romania as well as information about the situation of COVID-19 in Romania. They will be updated whenever key information, health directives or other important elements change or are to be made.

- 2) Bulletins issued prior to championships normally provide detailed information regarding operational and financial aspects of the event. These should be extended and updated to include key information regarding Covid affected activities or facilities at your event to provide competitors and officials with clear guidance on matters that may affect their travel to and attendance at your event, that their own insurance should cover Covid related costs, and that restrictions on the transport of personal equipment may apply.

The updated Bulletin 1 will be posted on the competition website and includes key information about the event during the COVID-19 pandemic, provides clear guidance to competitors and officials on issues that may affect their trip, if their insurance covers Covid costs, if apply transport restrictions etc.

### 2. On-Site Facilities and Services

You should publish information (as above and also at a designated Updates Location at the event) regarding the need the any of following:

- 1) Details of Covid related **Passport** and **Visa** restrictions when travelling into your country from other nations, and when departing during or after the event.

To enter Romania from areas with a high epidemiological risk, you must perform an RT-PCR test, 72 hours before entering Romania (except for persons arriving from the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland); or present proof of vaccination, including the second dose of which at least 10 days have passed; or persons who have been confirmed positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus infection in the last 90 days prior to entry into Romania, as evidenced by medical documents or by checking the Corona-forms database and for which at least 14 days have elapsed since date of confirmation until entry into the country. After the final registration, each team will receive from me a form that you will present to the customs for the quarantine exemption. When leaving Romania, you must comply with the entry requirements in your country. If you have to present a negative RT-PCR test to enter your



country, its cost is 60 euros, if you need a Rapid Antigen test, its cost is 30 euros. The tests can be performed either in the specialized center in Buzau either at the airport. The European Union will soon use the EU COVID-19 Certificate.

2) Details of Covid and health related instructions and restrictions that may affect your competitors and officials.

In Romania, the situation of the pandemic is good, the number of infections is constantly decreasing (the incidence rate has decreased to 0.58 per thousand inhabitants), mass vaccination of the population is done and it is expected that by the end of August 70% of Romanians will be vaccinated (vaccination started without programming, in a marathon or drive-through system, both day and night). Depending on the number of infections, from June 1 the restaurants will operate with all vaccinated staff at a capacity of 30-100% and there will be no restrictions for vaccinated people. Wearing an outdoor protective mask is no longer mandatory and from August 1 it is no longer worn indoors and events will be resumed in open and closed spaces. Given that the epidemiological risk still exists, we recommend that you be vaccinated. The more vaccinated participants we have, the more we will avoid testing and there will be no risk of infection.

3) Attendance at Covid related briefings and distribution to Team members of information.

During the technical meeting with the team leaders, the representative of the Public Health Directorate will be present, who will explain the hygienic-sanitary rules that must be observed during the championship. Leaflets with this information will also be distributed to all participants. Any information of interest to participants will be displayed on the information panel at the competition venue.

4) Details of exit restrictions or conditions that must be observed by competitors and officials when departing for their home countries until the end of your event, whether related to Covid or of a more general nature.

Romania is already on the list of green zone countries, so returning to your country is not a problem. So you only have to take into account the entry requirements in your country.

**2B) At your event, the following matters are particularly important –**

1) Advice regarding any requirement for mandatory testing before and/or after arrival, and the need for evidence such as proof of vaccinations where demanded.

To enter Romania from areas with high epidemiological risk, you must perform an RT-PCR test, 72 hours before entering Romania, or present proof of vaccination including the second dose from which they passed minimum 10 days. If you are vaccinated, present the proof in English. Vaccinated participants will not be tested before or after the start of the event, unless they have specific symptoms of COVID-19. Participants who do not present proof of vaccination will be tested with Rapid Antigen test, before the start of the competition and after four days. Also, any participant who has a temperature above 37.3 ° C or has other COVID-19 symptoms will also be tested.

2) On-site Covid testing



A few days ago, the Ministry of Health issued an order that free rapid tests can be done in pharmacies. A testing center will also be set up at the site competition.

- 3) How people who test positive for the virus must respond, the quarantine facilities and medical services available and any costs that may be incurred.

At the place of organizing the event, the medical staff performs the digital thermometry of the people involved in the competition. If a temperature above 37.3 ° C is recorded, repeat the thermometry after 5 minutes of rest. If the high temperature is maintained, this fact is reported to the coordinating doctor of the respective competition in order to isolate the suspicious case, with the immediate notification of the Public Health Directorate. The suspect will be taken and tested and, if the test is positive, will be accommodated in an isolation center, where he will stay for 14 days. Isolation costs for the days after the competition period are borne by the organizer. If the person needs hospitalization, he will be hospitalized in a state hospital unit COVID-19. All costs will be borne by the Romanian state. In conclusion, if you are tested positive for COVID-19 during the competition, you will be isolated from the other participants, you will be granted medical assistance and hospitalization (if necessary) and all costs are borne by the Romanian State.

- 4) The need for Contact Tracing and rapid testing to limit spread of the virus. Note that for this a comprehensive register of all Officials and Competitors will be essential.

Accommodation will be made by the organizer, in hotels that meet the conditions to prevent the spread of the Sars-CoV-2 virus, with an occupancy rate of 70% of capacity, used exclusively by championship participants. Every morning, upon arrival at the competition venue, all participants have their temperature checked by the competition doctor. The recorded data will be written in a register in which all participants are registered. The results of the tests that are performed will also be entered in this register.

- 5) Management of out-landing incidents and the associated protocols to be followed.

Any incident is reported to the competition director who, in turn, will report to the FAI Jury and the Manager Flight Operations of the Romanian Modelling Federation. It will analyze the incident and, if necessary, notify the competent authorities.

- 6) Contest site preparation for socially isolated management of teams and officials throughout the event, including separated facilities for food provision.

We will ensure throughout the competition, for the FAI Jury and for each participating team, well ventilated spaces that will be used for the preparation of the models and for lunch. Food will be provided packaged. Each space will be supplied with water and will be equipped with tables, chairs, hand and surface disinfectants. The distance between the arranged spaces will be approximately 2 m.

- 7) Facilities available for socially isolated local transport into and away from the event.

The transport to and from the competition place will be done with buses provided by the organizer that will be used exclusively by the participants or with personal cars.

8) Local Smart-Phone applications associated with Covid testing and reporting.

Any infection with Sars-CoV 2 is reported to the emergency number 112. Other information related to COVID-19 can be found by accessing: "re-open EU"; <https://stirioficial.ro/informatii>; <https://www.cnsct.ro/index.php/informatii-pentru-populatie>

9) Opening, closing, and awarding ceremony instructions and restrictions.

The opening ceremony of the championship will be organized on the Athletics Stadium in Buzau, which will be inaugurated on this occasion. During both the opening ceremony and the award ceremony, the physical distance between the participants will be maintained. Also, all participants will disinfect their hands and avoid handshakes.

10) The availability of anti-Covid hand and clothes cleansing facilities.

The organizer will provide approved / authorized biocidal products upon entering the event space for all participants. Each team will have dispensers with solutions for disinfecting hands and a solution for disinfecting surfaces. Also, anti-covid products will be provided in the hotels where the participants will be accommodated.

11) The availability of PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and any associated costs.

- a. Facilities available for disinfecting and cleaning competitor's aircraft and equipment.

Each team will have dispensers with solutions and paper towels for cleaning and disinfecting the models.

- b. The presence of trained Critical Incident Stress Managers (CISM) who may be required to assist and resolve Covid related fears in some circumstances.

In case of infection with Sars-CoV-2, the person in isolation will benefit from the assistance of a psychologist who will help him to overcome the fears related to the infection.

12) Any other specific instructions or regulations associated with Covid.

In Romania, due to the low infection rate that has dropped below 1 per thousand inhabitants, wearing an outdoor protective mask is no longer mandatory. However, the organizer will provide face masks to participants who want to protect themselves during the competition. Also, starting with June 15, events in closed spaces can be organized with the participation of 200 people. If participants in the event are vaccinated, their number is not restricted. So, we can organize the banquet at the end of the championship.

### 3. Post-Infection medical treatment and repatriation



In the event that Covid testing leads to mandatory local isolation and/or subsequent restrictions on homeward travel, you must have researched and quickly make available:

- 1) Details of appropriate hospital facilities, and costs if appropriate.

In case of Sars-CoV-2 infection, any participant will benefit from medical assistance, treatment and hospitalization without paying the related costs. All costs will be borne by the Romanian State.

-European Health Insurance Card (EHIC): As an EU citizen, if you unexpectedly fall ill during a temporary stay in another EU country - whether on holiday, a business trip or studying abroad - you are entitled to any medical treatment that can't wait until you get home. You have the same rights to health care as people insured in the country you are in. Medical services and treatment is provided free of charge in state health units in Romania but not in private ones. This does not include repatriation after infection.

- 2) Details of available isolated accommodation and the cost cover available.

If you were infected with Sars-CoV-2 during the championship, you will be isolated for 14 days in the isolation center. The costs for accommodation and meals for the extra days of the period for which you made the reservation will be borne by the organizer.

- 3) Details of assistance and cost cover available to manage an individual's delayed homeward travel.

Participants who due to Sars-Cov-2 infection are forced to extend their stay in Romania will have the costs of accommodation and meals for the extra days provided by the organizer. He will also receive medical assistance as well as assistance from the members of the organizing committee until his departure from Romania. The costs of repatriation will be borne by the person concerned. The person in question will receive assistance from the Organizing Committee, to find the best solution for his return to the country.

#### 4. Matters eligible for national / government support

In many countries there is government support and/or funding available for organisers who prepare and manage their event in accordance with national regulations, especially where Covid protocols and virus-related procedures must be followed.

Event organisers should therefore closely review published government regulations and instructions that provide access to practical help and monetary support, noting that these may demand adherence to guidelines and protocols established in the light of the Covid pandemic.

The Romanian State, in case of COVID-19 infection, bears the costs for medical assistance, treatment and hospitalization for all persons on the Romanian territory. The National Health Insurance House will recover the respective amounts from the states where these persons are insured. If the person is not insured then the costs will be borne by the Romanian State Fund.

