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PROTOCOL FOR CONTAINMENT OF THE SPREAD OF THE SARS COV-2 VIRUS

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1. INTRODUCTION

This document has been drawn up in compliance with the requirements set out in the current prevention and protection protocols in the context of the health emergency related to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Compliance with national legislation on health and hygiene guidelines to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus is a vital premise of this document.

The recommendations of the World Health Organization, the Ministry of Health and the individual Regions are and will be considered a benchmark in the application of this Protocol.

Links to current legislation:

<https://www.governo.it/it/coronavirus-normativa>

<https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/homeNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english>.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this regulatory protocol is to provide organisational and operational guidance to increase the effectiveness of the containment measures to combat the Covid-19 pandemic. This protocol therefore contains measures based on the principle of precaution and that fully implement the legislator's requirements and the Health Authority's guidance.

The purpose of this document is therefore to identify and define all the measures deemed necessary to allow the MIDO exhibition, as well as its conferences and meetings, to be held safely.

The implementation scenarios include the following steps:

- setting up and dismantling phases;
- holding of the show/event: opening to visitors.

3. INFORMATION: CONTENTS AND COMMUNICATION METHODS

The Manager of the exhibition centre/conference centre informs all employees and anyone who has access to it of the instructions issued by the authorities, displaying special information leaflets at the entrances and in the places most frequented by pedestrians, also using, where possible, digital signage and apps, adapting the regulations of the individual shows/events accordingly.

The implementation of the digital system also enables the timely provision of information on the external environment (public transport, traffic info, etc.).

IES s.r.l., the organiser of MIDO, will boost this information to its exhibitors and visitors via the entrance pass and its digital channels.

The main information relates to:

- the obligation to stay at home and call the doctor and/or health authority;
- if one has a body temperature above 37.5°;
- if one has other flu-like symptoms;
- if one comes from areas with special restrictions or requirements;
- if one has had contact with people who have tested positive within the time limits prescribed by the legislation in force;
- developing the awareness that one cannot have access under any of the above conditions, or one cannot remain if symptoms occur later;
- the commitment to comply with all the instructions issued by the Authorities and one's Employer when entering the exhibition centre/conference centre (in particular, maintaining a safety distance of at least one metre and constantly observing proper hand hygiene, and more);
- the commitment to inform one's Employer in a prompt and responsible manner of any flu-like symptoms on the job, taking care to stay at a suitable distance from others. A specific information leaflet has been drawn up and disseminated based on tasks and work contexts, with particular reference to the set of measures adopted that operators must comply with (in particular on the correct use of PPE).

4. ENTRY PROCEDURE AND EU DIGITAL COVID CERTIFICATE CHECKS

Fiera Milano has defined dedicated pedestrian and vehicle access points, dividing up the flows and identifying suitable spaces for the planned checks to authorise access, so as to guarantee compliance with the social distancing of at least 1 metre, which is constantly monitored by dedicated staff.

For access to MIDO, in conjunction with Fiera Milano S.p.A. and Fiera Milano Congressi S.p.A., the following guidance applies **until 30 April inclusive**:

- **“basic” EU Digital Covid Certificate** (full vaccination cycle or recovery or negative rapid or molecular swab performed at most 48 and 72 hours before, respectively).
- In order to access the **conference/meeting areas** of the Auditorium and Otticlub (pav. 15) or conferences/meeting events (including within stands), the **“super” EU Digital Covid Certificate** (full vaccination cycle or recovery from COVID-19 in the 6 months prior) must be shown. For access **only by foreign users**, in the event that more than six months have elapsed since the completion of the vaccination cycle with vaccines accepted by the EMA (European Medicines Agency) or in the case of vaccinations with non-accepted vaccines, access is allowed only after carrying out a rapid (48 h validity) or molecular (72 h validity) antigen test with negative results, to be submitted together with the vaccination certificates above.

For access to MIDO, in conjunction with Fiera Milano S.p.A. and Fiera Milano Congressi S.p.A., the following guidance applies **from 1 May**:

- **free access without EU Digital Covid Certificate, both to the exhibition and to conference areas.**

To safeguard everyone and to provide a complete service to MIDO users, **a Swab Hub is available at the SOUTH GATE** of the exhibition centre. This service is subject to payment and will be available for the entire duration of the event from April 30 to May 2.

Service hours: **from 8am to 1pm** and **from 2pm to 4pm**.

Cost of the swabs:

- Rapid antigen: € 25.00
- PCR: € 85.00 (result in 48h)
- PCR FAST: € 140.00 (swab by 09:00 and result in 12h).

5. HOLDING OF THE EVENT

Visitor access is regulated by entry, transit and exit procedures and by defining manners, routes and timings aimed at reducing the opportunities for contact.

In order to guarantee the greatest possible security, MIDO has arranged in agreement with Fiera Milano S.p.A.:

- the even distribution of visitors over the entire period of the event via daily bookings of visits, with the obligation to implement the use of the online ticket office;
- limitation of the physical ticket office activities.

The serving of food and drink at the event is regulated in accordance with the specific rules issued for this purpose - see the specific protocol of Fiera Milano S.p.A..

All the already-mentioned general health and hygiene rules, such as social distancing and the use of PPE, for both exhibiting companies' staff and visitors, are applied in the **exhibition spaces**.

Each Exhibitor, within its own rented exhibition space, as the legal person with the legal availability of the area and therefore holding the primary security role with regard to the persons within said space, shall enforce the regulations for combating and containing the spread of Covid-19.

In particular, Exhibitors shall ensure that both workers and third parties who, for whatever reason, are within the perimeter of their exhibition space fully comply with the provisions on social distancing and, in general, with the aforementioned protocol.

Exhibition areas must always be under surveillance by control staff.

The serving of food and drink in the stands is regulated in accordance with the specific rules issued for this purpose. Catering areas must always be under surveillance by control staff. For further specifications please refer to the specific Fiera Milano S.p.A. protocol.

6. OTTICLUB AND AUDITORIUM

Please note that **until 30 April inclusive entry will be allowed only with a “super” EU Digital Covid Certificate.**

Usable seats should be placed at a distance from each other in order to guarantee social distancing.

The number of seats should be suitable for the number of participants. Nobody will be allowed to participate in the event standing up.

Access to and exit from the hall must be organised with separate entrances and exits, identified by appropriate signs.

The podium for the speakers of the event shall be positioned at least 2 metres away from any other person on the stage and from the front row, so that a presentation can be made without wearing a mask.

Moderators sitting at the table must maintain a minimum distance of 1 metre between them, so as to enable them to speak without wearing a mask. If PCs or other devices are to be shared, they shall be cleaned with disinfectant between uses.

7. CLEANING AND SANITISING

IES s.r.l., the organiser of MIDO, shall guarantee, in coordination with the Manager, both daily cleaning and sanitisation of the premises, areas, fixed workstations and common and leisure areas; in particular:

- cleaning and sanitisation of the exhibition centre pavilions used during the event and of the ancillary premises shall be ensured before the start of the event;
- hand sanitiser dispensers must be installed at entrances, passageways, toilets and refreshment areas;
- during the event, the continuous presence of staff dedicated to sanitisation shall be guaranteed at all the toilets in the exhibition areas;
- at cloakrooms, clothing and personal items will be stored in special garment bags.

If the presence of a person showing symptoms of Covid-19 is detected in the areas, these will be cleaned and sanitised in accordance with the provisions of Italian Minister of Health's Circular Letter No. 5443 of 22 February 2020, and will be ventilated.

8. PERSONAL HYGIENE PRECAUTIONS

All persons entering the exhibition and congress centre for whatever reason are obliged to take all necessary hygiene precautions, in particular frequent hand cleansing and sanitisation.

Hand sanitiser dispensers shall be provided in the event areas and replenished daily.

Their location shall be communicated to users by means of appropriate signage.

9. USE OF MASKS

Given that the main channels of transmission of the virus are the eyes, nose, mouth and hands, **it is compulsory to use masks** as a hygienic protective measure to reduce the spread of the SARS-COV-2 virus **in enclosed spaces** (including but not limited to exhibition pavilions and conference rooms), and in open spaces where there are crowds.

These may be **disposable surgical masks** (which are medical devices used to protect others) **or higher category masks** (FFP2s) properly worn to cover from the chin to above the nose.

The use of a mask helps limit the spread of the virus, but it must be used in addition to other protective measures aimed at reducing infection (such as social distancing and constant and thorough hand hygiene), which remain an unchanged priority.

IES s.r.l. will constantly monitor compliance with the provisions laid down in this paragraph.

In individual stands, where legal responsibility is of the exhibitors, the latter shall ensure compliance with this provision.

10. MANAGING A PERSON SHOWING SYMPTOMS

If a person present at the exhibition centre develops a fever and symptoms that can be traced back to a COVID-19 infection, he/she shall immediately inform the MIDO Administrative Office, which will follow the provisions of the specific protocol shared with Fiera Milano S.p.A..

11. PROTOCOL UPDATE

This protocol will be subject to the necessary revisions should there be grounds for it due to new regulatory requirements, or should the development of the Covid-19 pandemic so require.