

GRENDEL Public Consultation on COVID-19

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COVID-19 impact

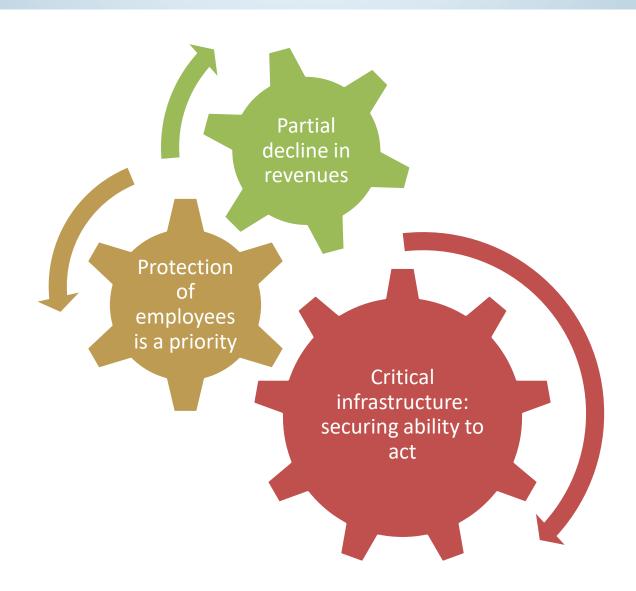




COVID-19 measures



Challenges



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Securing ability to act

milestones were already formalised on March 16, 2020

Opening was clearly communicated

- Business to remain operational because of critical infrastructure
- Quick clarification of the matter both in-house and externally



Alle Misrbeiterinsen der Hafen Wien Gmöhf und der TerminatSped Speditionspeselbschaft mit "D.H. sied andregefordert, sich ab Morstag, 16. März 2020 bis weiteres an folgende Malinahrem zu halten:

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verpflichtet elweispt benötigte Unterliegen und gef, technisches Equipment für Home-Office, über das sie verfügen, jedenfalls mit nach Hause zu nehmen. Der Empfang soll breedt Meiben. Paleitiderelle werden nicht mehr in die Winchlungsfenelle sind gebellen und mislaten elweige Serekungen von der Türe abstellen. Die Brewickungsfenelle sind

Cohorts in the operational area

- Where feasible:
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 (to uphold the ability to act if a COVID-19 case occurs)
- "Thinning" of workforce and savings through reduction of time credits

Work-from-home administration

- All administrative staff to work from home with immediate effect
- Use of modern collaborative tools such as Zoom or Trello, also in departments

No short-time work

- Initial discussions about short-time work made it clear: a comprehensive short-time work scheme will not pay for us
- Short-term work at car terminal was under debate, but: employees were needed in other areas

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Protection of employees

- milestones were already formalised on March 16, 2020

Clear communication with employees

- Business to remain operational because of critical infrastructure
- Measures were communicated directly
- Works council was involved



Coronavirus (SARS-CoV 2 / Covid-19) Aktuelle Maßnahmen – Stand 16.3.2020

ile nountem Erhaldkungen zu Covid-19 sind aus dem Meden bekannt. Es ist unklar, wie land die Allemannspreche werden und wie konge ein deusem werden. Der Hafen Bleich ein untippe in infanktion, und Verenopmannsprechennten der State Neue weiter in Bereit au die seine Deutschaltungen bis die Bereitlanung auf einer Conschaltig wie wir alle gemeinstam die seine Deutschaltungen bis die Bereitlanung auf einer Conschaltig wird wir alle gemeinstam einer dem der der der der Vereitlanung der State der der Vereitlanung der State der der Vereitlanung lauermanns werden wir dem Konschaltung der Merselnen im Weite haus der Gereitlanung lauermannschalt unseren Betrags für Vereingung der Merselnen im Wein besteht die Methoderkomen der Faller Weite (Deutschalt der Vereitlanung und der Vereitlanung der Vereitlanung und der Vereitlanung der Vereitlanung der Vereitlanung und der Vereitlanung der Verei

ANWESENHEIT IM BETRIEB - HOMEOFFICE, BEREITSCHAFT

Für alle Mitarbeiterinnen der <u>Abbeitungen Business Development 5. internationales. Finant 5.</u> Statiege. Immobilien. IT-Systemischerie. Marketing 5. Kommunikation. Personal 6. IMS, Verhauf zweier Rocht 5. Commissen gilt Beisprich Regelang, sodiase kein Jasammentreffen im

Von Moritag bis Donnerstag ist aus diesen Aldekungen f<u>alls notwendig eine Person im Dis</u> <u>annabendig</u>, sills anderen sind engehalten im förere Öffed von zu Hause zu arbeiten. Dies auch bir den Fall, dass eine emigrendemit eterhinken kussattalag nicht serkeigt. Die Erreichsand als in den Abdelungen sicherzustellen, sowie die Müglichkeit binnen 10 Mar. Auch Verständigsgat zum Dennich zu enzeichen. Die Alderhamung über Annaberreichein unt

Die wichtigsten Funktionen der Abteilung sind sicherzustellen. Alle Mitarbeiterfinnen sind verpflichtet elsesige benötigte Unterlagen und ggf. Inchnisches Ergalpment für Home-Offic

Der Eruptung soll besetzt bleiben. Paleidistende wenden richt mehr in die Gürcrikumlichkeiten gebeten und müssen etwage Sendungen von der Ture abstellen. Die Bewachungsstenste sis brigsestze erforderlich. Die Kassa het nur moch am Mithooch von 9.00 ber 12,00 Uhr geöffnet

On-site protection

- Introduction of social distancing rules with immediate effect
- Cleaning activities were intensified and disinfectants procured
- Rapid procurement of protective masks
- Plexiglass barriers in close-contact or high-volume places

"Thinning" of workforce

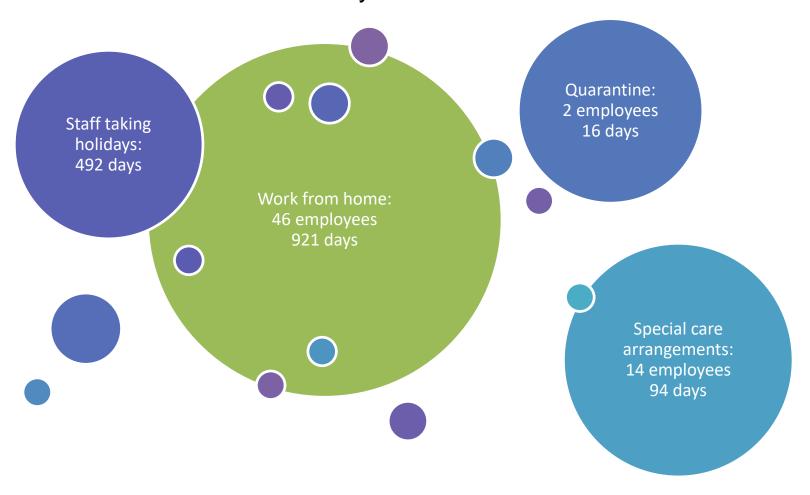
- Work from home, even if not perfectly possible in the beginning
- On-call duty without loss of income
- Special leave arrangements for home care
- Early identification and protection of high-risk groups

Business resumed as of May 18, 2020

- Staff continues to work from home up to twice a week
- On-Site protection enhanced (e.g. more plexiglass panels)
- Clear rules in tune with City of Vienna guidance and federal government recommendations



Figures from mid-March until mid-May 2020



COVID-19 impacts on EFIP danube ports



Summary of Network developments

- Problems with crew changes
- Cruise shipping hit very hard
- Especially container transport has suffered substantially

Inland Ports actions

- Inland ports have been working to ensure that they stay in operation
- Postponement of payments of port dues
- Some ports are allowing companies located within the port to postpone their rent payments for up to 3 months

Sector Developments

 Quarantine requirements impacting crew changes

Passenger and Freight

- Ports active in the cruise sector, such as Strasbourg and the various Danube ports, initially saw their cruises reduce dramatically with the entire sector eventually shutting down
- As time has progressed, more and more ports have been reporting losses in trade flows

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Operations and Contingency Plans

- Port operations have been impacted in many ways. The most profound impact has occurred in ports where cases of the virus have been confirmed. The affected and related employees have proven impossible to replace, resulting in operational shutdowns
- The image that inland ports remain open for business is important for the viability of the IWT sector and its image

IWT Developments

- Firstly, the passenger transport business has totally shutdown (both cruises and day trips)
- Aside from the freight reductions, operators are also faced with other issues. With the closing of various European borders, the movement of crews has become extremely problematic with crews not being able to reach their vessels or return from their assignments. Additionally, vessels are finding it difficult to find enough and accessible berthing locations

Example:

A final concern is the possibility of Member States blockages to the free flow of goods. The first example of this is the actions taken by Romania, Romanian authorities would bind any vessel calling Black Sea and Danube River ports to a 14day quarantine period at roads prior to be allowed in port. This includes vessels where no cases are found. If other Member States follow suit, this could further damage the sector. On 29-03 this situation was clarified by the Romanian authorities and the ports should be accessible, but we will keep you updated as things develop.

European Commission Actions - Updates 18/03

- Ports of Slovakia: we can observe a slight decrease in transshipment volumes in cargo port in Bratislava
- Serbian Ports: the total amount of cargo transhipped will not be significantly reduced
- Slovakian Ports:
 13.03.2020, 07:00 a.m. –
 until further notice, all
 passenger cabin vessels are
 forbidden to land, berth and
 anchor on the Danube
 waterway and its navigable
 tributaries
- All cargo vessels of which the destination is port or berth on the territory of the Slovak Republic are allowed to load, unload or transship in the ports and berths without limitations

COVID-19 Recommendations to Danube Commission



Recommendations

- Continue to address any disruptions to operations by Covid related unilateral actions
- A central collection and distillment of data are needed to understand the impact of the crisis.
 Only with such information can effective action be taken as the crisis develops.
 The Danube Commission could lead this effort.
- Looking to the future, support new market developments in the region to ensure new opportunities (new market segments, new energy sources/carriers ect)



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Thank you for your attention.

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