

UPDATE ON PANDEMIC IN SLOVENIA: LOOSENING COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Dear students,

As per the Government of Republic of Slovenia, it is believed the epidemic COVID-19 is under control and **public life shall gradually re-start**. Some lockdown restrictions were partially lifted in recent days and some of them will be withdrawn in the days to come.

Let me remind you that the Government of RS adopted measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in previous months, which are defined *here*.

Museums, galleries and libraries, real estate agents and chimney sweepers were re-opened on Wednesday, April 29th 2020.

Coming in action today on April 30th 2020, **ban on travel outside municipal limits has been lifted**, which means you are now allowed to move out of the municipality of your temporary residence in Slovenia.

Besides hairdressers and beauty parlors, bars and restaurants as well as other selected hospitality services will be re-opened, serving guests only at outdoor facilities on May 4th 2020. Small businesses such as shoe repair shops, key cutters, clothing shops, photographers, photocopy services, watchmaker shops and jeweller's will also reopen on Monday.

Shopping hours are coming back to normal – you may visit a shop any time within their dedicated opening hours. Shops selling food will be open on Sunday, May 3^{rd} , between 8am and 1pm. The majority of shops in shopping malls remain closed.

Public transport is expected to come in action and borders for tourists (mainly Slovenia – Croatia) are to reopen sometimes in the mid May.

Other lockdown restrictions, as listed in previous notice, remain eased: individual sports such as jogging, bicycling, golf and yoga as well as group sport such as tennis, badminton, etc.

Although restrictions have been banned, public gatherings and grouping in public places is still prohibited.

International office continues to be available for further assistance and information at goran.gumze@almamater.si and nusa.veber@almamater.si

Best regards, Nuša