

COVID-19 HOPE Weekly review

Week 11/11/2020 – 18/11/2020

Member States

- **The Netherlands, Sweden and Romania have called for a more integrated crisis management response**

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EU Institutions

Council of the European Union

- **COVID-19: Presidency and Parliament reach political agreement on REACT-EU**

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European Commission

- **Coronavirus: Commission steps up actions on testing with a recommendation on rapid antigen tests and support to increase testing capacity**

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- **Health Actions supported through Emergency Support Instrument – Factsheet**

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- **Coronavirus: Commission approves contract with CureVac to ensure access to a potential vaccine**

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- **Commission disburses €14 billion under SURE to nine Member States**

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- **Coronavirus: Commission holds first meeting of EU COVID-19 national scientific advice platform**

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- **COVID-19: Commission to support clinical trials via Emergency Support Instrument**
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- **EU increases its contribution to COVAX to €500 million to secure COVID-19 vaccines for low and middle-income countries**
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Action outside the EU

- **Sanctions: Commission further expands Guidance on COVID-19-related humanitarian aid in sanctioned environments**
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European Medicines Agency (EMA)

- **EMA starts rolling review of mRNA COVID-19 vaccine by Moderna Biotech Spain, S.L.**
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- **EMA publishes safety monitoring plan and guidance on risk management planning for COVID-19 vaccines**
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European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)

- **Rapid Risk Assessment: Detection of new SARS-CoV-2 variants related to mink**
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- **Heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems in the context of COVID-19: first update**
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European Parliament

- **EU framework for public health: ENVI exchange with Stella Kyriakides**
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- **EU4Health Programme: Parliament adopted its position**
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- **EU budget 2021: supporting a sustainable recovery from the pandemic**
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World Health Organisation

News

- **Preventing the COVID-19 pandemic from causing an antibiotic resistance catastrophe**
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- **How to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on migrant workers' health**
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Technical reports

- **Guidance on developing a national deployment and vaccination Planning for COVID-19 vaccines**
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- **Technical specifications of personal protective equipment for COVID-19**
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- **Immunization as an essential health service: guiding principles for immunization activities during the COVID-19 pandemic and other times of severe disruption**
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Other

- **European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies Webinar series on the COVID-19 response:**
Nordic countries and COVID-19 health systems responses
24 November 2020, 12:00-13:00
ZOOM LINK: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_JWf52Ma1S6CE1mgXN3Vghw