



PRESS RELEASE

Coronavirus – Implenia limits construction site activity

Owing to the rapid spread of Coronavirus in Europe and to the official regulations and protective measures being introduced as a result, Implenia is restricting work on its construction sites and closing some sites altogether. Several countries are affected. Implenia is monitoring developments continuously and taking action to protect employees and the interests of customers and partners.

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To protect the population against Coronavirus infection, governments all over Europe are taking extensive measures that are putting severe constraints on public life. This is having an impact on Implenia's operational business. Owing to these measures, construction site activity is being restricted in Switzerland, Germany, France and Austria. Some construction sites in these countries are being put on pause, and some are being closed down. In Sweden and Norway, our construction sites are operating as normal until further notice.

Implenia's top priority is the health and safety of its employees – on construction sites, as well as in offices. Some weeks ago, Implenia set up a global task force and several local country task forces to monitor developments continuously, as well as to decide and implement measures to protect employees and look after the interests of our customers and partners.

Measures against the spread of Coronavirus

While complying with all the official recommendations and instructions, as well as with its own necessary precautions, Implenia is trying to maintain its day-to-day business, including construction activity, as much as and wherever possible – despite the restrictions. Wherever reasonably possible, it will continue to meet contractually agreed deadlines with customers, partners and suppliers. Where sites have to be closed, we are doing everything we can in line with official instructions to preserve the work done so far and secure the sites for the duration of closure.

On its construction sites and in its offices, Implenia follows the latest hygiene and behavioural measures issued by the Federal Office of Public Health (FOPH) in Switzerland, and by the relevant authorities in other countries.

As well as arranging for people to work remotely from home where their jobs make this possible, Implenia is trying

to avoid physical meetings wherever possible and replace these with virtual meetings. For tasks where physical presence is vital, particularly on construction sites, additional protective measures have been implemented: distance between employees, staggered breaks, staggered work preparation and finish-up, meetings in the open air, etc.

Measures to reduce economic damage

Where construction activity has to be restricted because of the exceptional situation, or closed because of health laws, Implenla always assesses what measures are needed to limit the economic impact on the company, its customers and partners, and to secure jobs.

Implenla is monitoring developments as well as official regulations continuously and taking action to protect employees and the interests of our customers and partners.

Overview of the situation in different countries

Country	Current situation
Switzerland	Construction sites have been closed by the authorities in Canton Geneva. There have been some closures in Canton Ticino because subcontractors are no longer working or because cross-border workers cannot travel in. Work continues on construction sites in other Cantons, though there are some delays owing to problems with subcontractors and suppliers.
France	By the end of this week, all construction sites suspend construction operations for 15 days in advance; an extension of this suspension is expected.
Germany and Austria	Work continues on construction sites, though there are some delays owing to problems with subcontractors and suppliers.
Sweden and Norway	Activity on construction sites is continuing as normal until further notice.

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