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2020/21

Dear Partners,

We hope this email finds you well and healthy!

Given the current state of the worldwide health emergency, we feel it is important to provide you with updates about the Covid-19 situation in Italy and the student **mobility to the University of Trento** for the **Fall/Winter semester a.y. 2020/21** (September 2020-February 2021).

Current updates

Italy is slowly recovering from the Covid-19 emergency and has entered the so-called "Phase 2" in which the Government has outlined the first lockdown easing measures and is planning to further implement them in the upcoming weeks. Social distancing and obligations on the use of individual protective equipment are still on and so they will in the upcoming months.

UniTrento carries on with delivering classes virtually and staff is working remotely.

First semester a.y. 2020/21 (Fall/Winter semester)

Considering the number of variables that are not under our control and aware that we need to get ready for the next semester, UniTrento is moving towards the following measures which will have direct impact on student mobility.

Next semester access to the academic facilities will be strongly limited and **most of the courses will be delivered online.** A few courses might be carried out in a face-to-face mode, but they will always be available also virtually. Therefore, also international students will be able to attend our classes virtually from their home countries. Social and cultural activities will also be organized virtually in order to complete the distance learning with the right social and cultural dimension.

In the light of the above, if students decide to come to Trento anyway, they must also be aware that quarantine may be required and that traditional services may be limited. In particular, we inform you that at the current stage we cannot host new students in university lodgings so they will need to find their accommodation independently. Definitely all students will be required to strictly apply the health and safety measures ordered by the Italian government when in Trento.

Postponing the mobility of your students to the 2nd semester (Spring/Summer semester, February-July 2021) will be possible according to the evolution of the health situations and to national and international regulations that will be in place at that time.

Regarding Erasmus+ Programme both K103 and K107, we are waiting for updated information from European Commission about blended mobilities' financing.

As for **UniTrento students going to your institution**, we would be very grateful if you could provide us with **guidelines on their mobility**. Please fill out the short questionnaire at the following link: https://survey.unitn.it/index.php/969376?lang=en

Your feedback is highly appreciated and important both for us and for our students!

UniTrento is constantly monitoring the evolving of national and international regulation, as well as epidemical situations, so we will send further updates if needed.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you need further clarification. Thank you very much for your cooperation!

Best regards,

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