

## Something's Happening – February 26, 2022

### **Rector's Order to reduce the risk of coronavirus infection**

In order to help reduce the risk of coronavirus infection, the rector of TUL, Miroslav Brzezina, is issuing a ban on work trips to high-risk areas. Students and staff who have traveled from at-risk areas should respect the 14-day home quarantine period and not enter the campus. School management is monitoring the situation and updating measures and regulations in relation to the spread of coronavirus.

### **I'm going out, I'm planning to go out**

Several European countries (Italy, Austria, France, etc.) have already recorded the occurrence of coronavirus, so it can be assumed that the list of risk areas will expand.

Rector Brzezina has therefore issued a ban on business trips and travel of persons to risky countries and areas and also refers to the lists of these areas listed on the websites of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic and the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic and the Regional Hygiene Station of the Liberec Region based in Liberec.

In the case of business trips abroad, TUL employees are advised to register in the [DROZD](#) application, which allows the MFA to quickly contact Czech citizens if necessary. Updated information on the coronavirus is issued by the MFA in a newsletter, which you can subscribe to [here](#).

### **I'm going back**

Persons arriving from risk countries and areas currently listed on the websites of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic and the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic (e.g. China, Japan, Iran, northern Italy, etc.) are instructed to observe a 14-day quarantine and to limit contact with TUL to telephone or written contact only.

*"As far as possible, we will make it possible for university employees not to have to visit the premises of the school for 14 days after returning from the risk areas, where they would be in contact with other employees and students,"* says Rector Miroslav Brzezina, adding that, if possible, employees will work from home during the quarantine period.

All students who have arrived from the above-mentioned countries after 10 February 2020 or are yet to arrive are ordered not to attend classes, examinations and public events organised at TUL for 14 days after their entry into the Czech Republic.

*"If they provide, ideally by email, confirmation of their travel from these countries to their faculty's study department, they will be excused from classes. The management of each faculty will treat the fulfillment of study obligations on an individual basis,"* the rector added.

### **Family members**

The same precautions are also recommended by the university administration for family members with whom a student or school employee shares a household or comes into contact with during the period of home quarantine after returning from areas of risk.

Precautions are also recommended for staff who share a household or come into contact with others coming from countries and areas at risk.

TUL employees will be allowed, to the maximum extent possible, not to visit TUL premises where they would be in contact with other employees and students for a period of 14 days after their return from the above mentioned countries.

Attention! If a person experiences health problems (after returning from risk areas abroad), a telephone contact must first be made to determine the next course of action. It is completely inappropriate to travel to the doctor by public transport!

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