



Information on further measures against the spread of coronavirus

The worldwide spread of the corona virus requires further protective measures, in particular in those scientific institutions which are part of international networks.

The regulations made and announced by internal bulletin (*Hausmitteilungen*) of 3 February 2020 and 5 February 2020 will continue to apply.

For further protection of the members of the University of Wuppertal, the measures taken will be extended to the [risk areas](#) defined by the Robert Koch Institute with immediate effect.

1. For reasons of employer welfare, business trips of employees to risk area cannot be approved until further notice. Business trips to provinces of the People's Republic of China, Italy, South Korea or Iran can only be authorized as an exception and in individual cases which cannot be postponed. In these cases and for already booked trips, which are not cancellable free of charge, please contact Mrs. Wiese at the travel expense center (*Abt. 4.1.1 -Reisekostenstelle*) of the university by phone or email (phone: 439 3899, email: wiese@uni-wuppertal.de).
2. Employees of the University of Wuppertal who have returned from a risk area since 1 January 2020 are advised to remain at home for a period of 14 days and to immediately contact their respective superiors by phone or email. At this, arrangements can be made if and to what extent tasks can be performed in other ways (if necessary from home).
3. The same applies to employees of the University of Wuppertal who have had close contact with people returning from risk areas, in particular if the contacted person shows symptoms typical for the coronavirus.
4. Students who have returned from a risk area since 1 January 2020 are also advised to remain at home for 14 days. All students concerned who have exams during this period should immediately contact the examiner or, if this should not be possible, the dean's office of the respective faculty or the Head of the Institute for Educational Research. Complying with these precautionary measures will not have any negative implications for the respective students. It should be noted that the withdrawal from exams is possible up to one week before they are due to take place. In addition, the examination boards and examiners are requested to treat applications for withdrawal from examinations with consideration.



General information

In any case, employees and students of the University of Wuppertal who have returned from China, Italy, South Korea or Iran since 1 January 2020 and who experience the typical symptoms of a possible corona infection (flu-like conditions, fever, cough, breathing difficulties) within 14 days should seek medical advice.

All employees and students of the University of Wuppertal are asked to keep up to date with the latest developments via the publicly accessible sources. Information can be obtained in particular from the following websites:

Auswärtiges Amt:

<https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/blob/2294930/a7713f963834d1811725f344a487a88f/ncov-data.pdf>

Bundeszentrale für gesundheitliche Aufklärung:

<https://www.infektionsschutz.de/coronavirus-2019-ncov.html>

Robert-Koch-Institut:

https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges_Coronavirus/nCoV.html

Max-Planck-Gesellschaft:

https://news.rub.de/sites/default/files/corona-virus_information_mpg_29012020_de_.pdf

If you have any further questions, please visit the website of the press office of University of Wuppertal where more detailed information is available. For health-related issues, please contact the company doctor of our university (Dez. 5.5).

The rectorate would like to clearly emphasize that the measures listed above are only introduced to prevent a further *spread of the coronavirus*. The protection *from humans* is at no time intended. Members of the university who are affected by the measures need our special attention and support – most notably, when their temporary absence from campus is unavoidable.