

## COVID-19 – ITALY IS ONE OF THE MORE IMPACTED COUNTRY

Yesterday the Italian Government issued new urgent measures to deal with epidemic emergency (\*)



Total Deaths
<b>3.829</b>
3.007 deaths Hubei Mainland China
366 deaths Italy
194 deaths Iran
53 deaths South Korea
22 deaths Henan Mainland China
19 deaths France

Total Recovered
<b>62.091</b>
46.485 recovered Hubei Mainland China
2.134 recovered Iran
1.260 recovered Guangdong Mainland China
1.247 recovered Henan Mainland China
1.174 recovered Zhejiang Mainland China

Source [Johns Hopkins](#)

### New measures to deal with Covid-19

Yesterday the Italian government issued a [Decree](#) with urgent measures on containment and management of the epidemiological emergency from COVID-19, whose main impacts on immigration, law, business, and global mobility are summarized below.

### General overview of the commitment of the Italian government

The response of the Italian Government to tackle epidemiological emergency from COVID-19 has been timely, as also acknowledged by the WTO and the EU and it has been mainly based on maximum transparency and clarity towards the national community and international partners. Italy is also working with its neighbors to develop harmonized protocols and shared lines of action on controls on people entering their respective countries. We are witnessing a worrying proliferation of inaccurate and alarming news, in some cases fake news, about the health situation in our country that does not reflect the reality of a contagion phenomenon that remains significantly limited to certain small and delimited areas within a few regions. For official and updated info see the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs [web](#) site.

### Employer actions and duties

Based on guidelines of the Italian Government employers have to:

- Provide information and protocols about the Virus to have all the employees aware about the risks and on how mitigating them;
- Allow the employees to work from home (smart working);
- Allow employees to take annual leave or other leave;
- Polish and disinfect work places.

### Business trips, cross- border, commuters

Business trips are always allowed even if general restrictions have been introduced in some of the Italian regions. This means that commuters, business visitors,

and cross-borders can travel into Italy (any region) unless they are subject to quarantine or have tested positive for the virus (sick). The business reason for the move has to be proved, in case of a request by an Italian authority. It is strongly suggestible to check with us or any lawyer (or directly with the Italian authority), because thinks are changing quickly. Moreover, we suggest checking (with us or any other lawyer) if there are restrictions for airline companies to travel to some international airports.

### Entry and exit of products and raw materials

Products, raw materials, and any goods can enter and exit the affected territories.

### Suspension of Court hearings

Postponement of hearings and sessions in civil, criminal, tax and military proceedings, till 22 march 2020.

### General point of view on finance and economics

Economic and finance systems have already experienced a crisis of this kind. It is too early to compare this crisis with others, but we can say now that Italian, USA, EU, APAC countries are working together to face this common enemy and this kind of international cooperation is a “huge pillar” for further economic developments. Therefore we believe that soon or later COVID-19 will be beaten and afterward we expect a strong economic development.

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