

Council of the European Union General Secretariat

THE EU INTEGRATED POLITICAL CRISIS RESPONSE ARRANGEMENTS

IPCR Working Level Roundtable COVID-19 Operational Conclusions - 1 March 2021

1. Enhancing coordination

- 1.1. Participants welcomed the explanations of the EU vaccine sharing mechanism and answers provided by the Commission and EEAS in response to Member States' queries. The Presidency intends to support efforts to further clarify how the mechanism will work in practice so that the EU is ready once sufficient vaccines are available.
- 1.2. Participants welcomed the work being done by the Commission and eHealth Network to develop a trust framework as part of a common approach to vaccination certificates.
- 1.3. Following the Commission's update on progress at the technical level on vaccination certificates, participants stressed the importance of an interoperable approach, coherence with the work of the WHO and the importance of non-discrimination. The Presidency considered the work to be timely and will continue discussions on the issue. The Presidency encouraged Member States to respond to the HSC survey on the topic.
- 1.4. The Presidency invited the Commission to share their background note on the use of medical certificates for people who have recovered from COVID-19.

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