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Instructions for self-classification of areas of COVID-19 community transmission in EU/EEA countries

Background

In an extraordinary meeting of the ECDC Advisory Forum on 2nd March 2020, it was agreed that EU/EEA Member States would move toward a system of self-declaration of areas with ongoing community transmission of COVID-19 so as to allow other Members States to adapt their travel-based testing approaches in the ongoing outbreak.

Reporting process

In the excel file that accompanies this document ECDC provides a template based on the EMMA mapping tool enabling countries to report the areas within their own country **where community transmission of COVID-19** is currently ongoing at the administrative NUTS level that suits best their situation.

Frequency of reporting

Please fill in this excel file according to the instructions below and return it: 1) to 5.1.2e @ecdc.europa.eu and 5.1.2e @ecdc.europa.eu or 2) upload it to EWRS.

ECDC will share the collated data with all Member States and, if you agree, publically. After that and in order for ECDC to provide valid up-to-date information to our stakeholders, we would ask Member States to update this document as frequently as the situation changes in your country.

Instructions

- 1. Open the file that accompanies these instructions "self-classification of COVID-19 transmission areas.xlms" and, if prompted, enable macros.
- 2. Click on the tab "CSVforEMMA"
- 3. Click the option "Select Prefilled Template" (Figure 1)
- 4. Click the "Country templates" tab, and then "Europe" (Figure 2)

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- Select your country and the geographical level for which you want to report data (NUTS1, NUTS2 or NUTS3).
- 6. Click "Append to existing template"
- In the column "Value_For_Map" fill in YES to classify the areas that you consider having community transmission of COVID-19 according to your local definition. (Figure 3)
- Save the file with your country name (e.g. CSV_Austria) and send to

 5.1.2e @ecdc.europa.eu and 5.1.2e @ecdc.europa.eu as soon as possible. Consider posting to EWRS and providing your definition of community transmission, which will be included in the explanatory text.

Please note that countries without any detected COVID-19 cases or with imported cases only need not fill in the excel file, but can email as above or notify in EWRS that no community transmission is detected.

Figure 1

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Figure 2

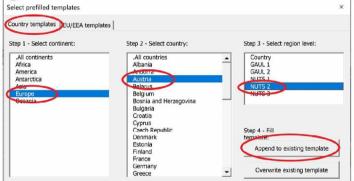


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