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## EUROPEAN INLAND FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE ADVISORY COMMISSION

### Thirty-first Session

Killarney, Ireland, 22 – 24 June 2022

### FAO COVID-19 guidelines

## COVID-19 Risk Mitigation Protocol for EIFAAC 31

### Overview

The 31st Session of the European Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture Advisory Commission (EIFAAC) hosted by the Government of Ireland, will be held in Killarney at Randles Hotel Killarney from 22 to 24 June, 2022.

While Ireland [has lifted](#) all COVID-19 related restrictions, including for entering the country, the EIFAAC secretariat is taking a risk-based approach to manage COVID-19 safety throughout the EIFAAC Session. To achieve this the below prevention and response measures are put in place to minimize the risk of COVID-19 spreading (Prevention), and to respond in the case that any member of the delegation or staff develops COVID-19 during the Session (Response).

### Prevention

- **Masks:** Masks will be mandatory on EIFAAC Session premises for all participants. Masks will be available to give out at the reception point of the venue and by EIFAAC Session support staff. Masks can be removed when eating and when outdoors.
- **COVID-19 vaccination certificate** (primary cycle of two doses<sup>1</sup> with a validity of 9 months, or completion of primary cycle and one booster with open validity) is to be shared with FAO organizer before the event starts. For those who are not vaccinated, a negative rapid antigen test results done the day before the event starts (has a validity of 48 hours) or a negative PCR test results (have a validity of 72 hours) is needed to access the event venue.
- **Physical distancing:** Participants are to maintain physical distancing at all times (1.5 meters).
- **Hand cleaning and hand disinfection:** All participants should wash and/or disinfect their hands regularly and thoroughly according to the recommended procedure. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer will be available at all entrances and exits, on meeting room tables, and in communal areas and washrooms.
- **Venue cleaning & disinfection:** Any equipment that is likely to be used by multiple people, including microphones and meeting room table surfaces will be sanitized daily by hotel staff. The venue will be regularly cleaned as per its own COVID-19 policy.

### Response

- If a conference participant or support staff develops symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19, they should self-isolate in their hotel room (international) or home (local). All expenses incurred as result of self-isolation and follow-up medical care and services are the responsibility of the individual.
- In-contact individuals will be self-quarantined in their hotel rooms and tested in accordance with Government of Ireland policy.

<sup>1</sup> Primary cycle with Janssen Johnson & Johnson vaccine is one dose.