

At the initiative of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia, as of 21 January, businesspeople from the entire world, foreign and domestic citizens, who travel to our country for business reasons, can cross the border of the Republic of Serbia by a simplified procedure, which is different from the rules that apply to other travellers, reads the statement by the Chamber of Commerce.

The Government of the Republic of Serbia has allowed foreign and domestic citizens, who enter our country for business reasons, to cross the border with prior notice to the Chamber, and afterwards, within 24 hours upon entering the country, to obtain and submit a negative rapid antigen test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus issued by a reference laboratory of the Republic of Serbia, the statement explained.

"In these circumstances, when most countries introduce additional restrictions, Serbia has found a way, with the application of the epidemiological measures, to facilitate business operations to business people from the entire world, companies already operating here, as well as those that are entering our country for their future business by simplifying the procedures for entering the country, with the support of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia in performing the required formalities", said Marko Cadez President of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia.

He reminded that business travel and contacts with businessmen were not a matter of choice, but the need of business, and expressed his hope that other countries would follow Serbia's example so that companies all around the world would be able to carry out their business activities during the global health crisis with the lowest possible costs and waste of time, and to get out of the pandemic crisis with the least possible consequences.

According to the new rules, owners, managers, and employees within their companies, who intend to travel to Serbia for business reasons and, when entering the country, do not hold a negative RT-PCR test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus issued by a reference laboratory of the country they are coming from, will previously have to announce their arrival to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia, which will timely inform the border police on it in order to enable them to cross the border, reads the statement by the Chamber of Commerce.

It is underlined that, upon entering the country, they will take a rapid antigen test at a Serbian reference laboratory, submit the test to the Chamber, and if it is negative, they will continue to carry out their planned activities.

For the announcement of arrival, and all necessary information and support, the businesspersons should contact the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia within 48 hours before the planned entry into Serbia via e-mail at inocovid19@pks.rs

The new procedures will not apply to those who arrive from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Montenegro and North Macedonia that are allowed to enter Serbia without a PCR test in compliance with the previous decision.