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Media advisory - Accreditation for physical presence at the European Council of 16 December 2021

For the European Council of 16 December 2021, up to 260 media representatives will be admitted on site. Strict COVID protocols will be applied and enforced as necessary. Working spaces and stand-up positions for cameras will be set up in the atrium of the Justus Lipsius building, in addition to the Council press centre permanent working area. The main press conferences will be run in hybrid mode and questions will be taken from the room and from journalists connected remotely.

Registration

Media representatives wishing to cover the meeting in person are required to register in advance, following this [link](#) and registering for the event **EUROPEAN COUNCIL (16 DEC)**.

- The deadline to register is **Friday 10 December 2021 at 14:00**.
- **Journalists with Council 1-year badge valid for 2021 also need to register.**

Media representatives are strongly advised to apply as soon as possible to allow for sufficient time to process the requests.

For more information, please also consult the [Media accreditation page](#)

IMPORTANT: Given the extraordinary situation, the Council will be able to accept accreditation requests only from media representatives holding a Council 1-year badge for 2021, or that have been accredited at least once for an European Council meeting in 2021.¹

Accreditation

Should the number of requests exceed 260, a selection will be made by applying the following three criteria in sequence until maximum capacity is reached (priority will be given to journalists holding a European Council annual badge):

- Representation of all EU 27 member states
- Brussels-based main international media and agencies

- Random distribution of remaining places

Media representatives that will be accredited will receive a confirmation email.

In order to make the best use of the capacity available, please inform the press centre immediately should you finally decide not to attend in person, via e-mail to press.centre@consilium.europa.eu

Badges collection

A media accreditation desk will be set up at the **LEX building (145, rue de la Loi)** outside the security perimeter, to allow for collection of badges during the event.

- Opening hours: 15-16-December, from 9:00 to 17:00.

Press conferences

The joint press conference(s) in the JL Press Room will be run in hybrid mode with:

- a presence of journalists in the room, up to a maximum capacity of 70 seats (first-come, first-served),
- via the videoconference platform (Zoom), with possibility to ask questions remotely

Connection information will be shared via instant messaging (Signal) or email.

Doorsteps

The doorstep area in the Europa Building will be accessible only to a limited media pool, due to the constraints imposed by the available space and the respect of the social distancing rules.

In order to maximise opportunities for journalists, priority will be given to reporters (i.e. journalists asking questions). Host camera and sound services will be available in the area.

Sanitary requirements

All accredited media representatives must fulfil one of the following conditions:

- to have had a **negative PCR test**, taken as close as possible to the meetings dates and no more than 48 hours before the start of the Eastern Partnership Summit;

OR

- an alternative option is to have obtained a certificate by a medical doctor stating that the person has **recovered from COVID-19** within a timespan of maximum six months².

Journalists must confirm that they fulfil one of these conditions by replying to the email

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<https://www.pro-memoria.info>

informing them on the confirmation of their accreditation.

No certificate should be sent to the GSC.

Testing can be done in any test center in Brussels (the closest being Village de test Mérode - Testdorp Mérode, Avenue de Tervueren/Tervurenlaan, 1040 Etterbeek, at the roundabout near the entrance of the Parc du Cinquanteenaire). No prescription is needed.

For latest information applicable in Belgium, please check the page [Info coronavirus](#)

If travelling from abroad, please consult carefully the conditions on travels to Belgium at <https://www.info-coronavirus.be/en/travels/>.

Press materials

Videos and photos of the Summit will be available on:

- [Council Newsroom](#)
- [EC Audiovisual Service](#)
- [Council Live](#)

¹ If you applied for the annual badge in 2021 and you have received a positive acknowledgement from Council press centre, please collect it in time.

² All participants should certify to have a negative PCR test performed no more than 48 hours before the meetings start (see details on timings in the respective media advisories). The proof of recovery is only an alternative option for those persons who had covid and recovered and continue to test positive for weeks or months. And in such a case the person could not produce a negative test even though he/she has completely recovered.

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