General decree on curbing the spread of the infectious disease COVID-19

On Tuesday March 17 2020, the mayor of the city of Frankfurt (Oder), René Wilke, released a general decree for the curbing of further spreading of the corona virus SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19). This decree is valid from Wednesday, March 18 2020 until further notice.

The legal base is § 28 section 1 of the Infection Protection Act (IfSG):

At **public** and **non-public events with less than 50 participants** the host must register all present people on an attendance list. This list has to contain at least following information:

- First- and surname
- Complete address and telephone number

The attendance list has to be kept for about four weeks after the event ended. When asked for, it has to be handed over to the public health department of the city of Frankfurt (Oder).

Closed to public are

- Bars, clubs, pubs and similar institutions
- Theatres, operas, concert halls, museums and similar institutions
- Expositions, exhibitions, cinemas, amusement parks and zoos and provider of free-time activities (out- and indoor), markets and fairs, amusement halls, casinos, betting shops and similar institutions
- Prostitution sites, brothels and similar institutions
- Sport and fitness activities in and at all public and private sports grounds, swimming baths, fitness clubs and similar institutions
- All, until now not mentioned retail selling points, esp. Outlet-Centre
- Playgrounds.

Forbidden are

- meetings of clubs and associations and other sport- and free-time activity institutions, the attendance of offerings by adult education centres, music schools and other public and private educational institutions in extracurricular sectors and overland bus travelling
- meetings at churches, mosques, synagogues and meetings of other communities of faith.

There will be specified rules concerning

- visits at hospitals, prevention- and rehabilitation institutions, nursing homes and special dwelling forms in terms of social security statute IX (SGB IX) and similar institutions (e.g. only one daily visit for one hour, exceptional children under the age of 16 and exceptional visitors with respiratory tract infections)
- General entering bans at the previously mentioned institutions and at universities, schools and kindergartens - in case those are not entirely closed - for persons who stayed in foreign risk areas or in terms of RKI-classification especially concerned inland areas within the last fortnight
- cafeterias, restaurants and hotels to minimise the risk of spreading the corona virus by distance regulations for tables, limiting the count of persons within a room and hygienic measures and hints
- Adjustments, that accommodation offering within the country shall only be used in very essential and not touristic cases
- Adjustments, that restaurants are only allowed to open between 6.00-18.00 o'clock.

<u>Explicitly NOT closed</u> are retail groceries, farmer's markets, pick-up and delivery services, beverage stores, pharmacies, medical supply stores, drugstores, filling stations, banks and saving banks, postal offices, hair dressers, dry-cleaner's', newspaper sales, construction-,

gardening- and animal supply stores and wholesales. Rather, all valid prohibitions of trading on Sundays may be exposed.

Opening of the before mentioned institutions happens under special terms of hygiene, to control entering and to prevent waiting lines. Service providers and craftsperson are allowed to continue their work. All institutions of the health care system remain open under increased hygienic requirements.

Goal of this general decree is to interrupt a possible transfer of SARS-CoV-2 and to curb risks without shutting the public life down completely.

The general decree is immediately enforceable by law and public by notice on 17.03.2020.