

Meeting of the Commission's advisory panel on COVID-19 - agenda

Wednesday 25/03/2020 at 18:00

Points for discussion (leading to possible recommendations)

1. Diagnostics and testing

- Testing strategies: restricted vs. systematic - Is there a need to revise earlier recommendations?
- Should approaches to testing adapt to different phases of the outbreak, also in view of progressively lifting containment measures?
- What are your views on rapid testing strategies, such as PCR or antigen tests? (ECDC paper to be circulated)
- What procurement and development strategy should Europe adopt for expanding testing capability?
- What is the state of play of serological testing? Could/should we anticipate recommendations before it becomes accessible?

2. Therapeutics

- What is the state of play of experimental treatments since our last discussion?
- Are there novel approaches worth considering for therapeutic alternatives (such as the use of plasma)?
- What measures, if any, would be expected from the EU in relation to experimental treatments?