

Press release – MEPs to discuss citizens' petitions related to COVID-19



Following the [large number of petitions](#) submitted to the Parliament in the past few weeks linked to COVID-19, the Petitions Committee decided to [urgently organise](#) an extraordinary meeting to highlight and respond to citizens' concerns.

On Thursday, MEPs will examine four petitions related to the pandemic, more specifically on [protecting refugees and local residents on the Aegean islands](#), on [travel restrictions imposed by certain member states](#), on [reforming and empowering the EU to better address global challenges](#) and on [expanding EU financial instruments](#).

When: Thursday, 30 April 2020, 10.00 – 12.00

Where: European Parliament, József Antall building, room 2Q2, Brussels

Members of the Committee on Petitions, Commission representatives and petitioners will be able to participate remotely and intervene in the debate via videoconference.

The meeting will be [web-streamed here](#) (EP Multimedia Centre).

The agenda and meeting documents are [available here](#).

Information to the media

Journalists are advised not to attend in person unless absolutely necessary. If you do, you are requested to respect the standard recommended guidelines on social distancing and hygiene. Please refrain from coming to EP premises

if you present any symptoms of a respiratory infection or if you have been in contact with an infected person in the last 14 days.