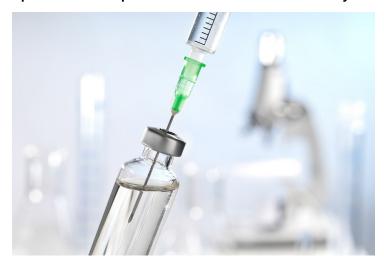


Individuals vaccinated with Sputnik V in Argentina eligible to enter EU

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Sputnik V has helped reduce infections with COVID by more than 30 times in Argentina



The Russian Direct Investment Fund (RDIF, Russia's sovereign wealth fund) announced that European Council has recommended adding Argentina to the list of countries for which travel restrictions, imposed as part of the fight with the pandemic, should be lifted.

RDIF welcomes the decision of the European Council to recommend allowing the member states to open borders for visitors from Argentina. The decision confirms the success of Argentina's vaccination campaign. Several other countries including Bahrain, Jordan, UAE and Chile (where Sputnik V has also been authorised) are also on the list of countries for which travel restrictions are recommended to be lifted by the European Council.

On October 28, 2021, Israeli authorities approved the entry of individuals vaccinated with the Sputnik V vaccine. The total amount of countries, which allow visitors vaccinated with Sputnik V, has reached 101 in total.

Countries opening their borders for those who have received the Sputnik V vaccine are demonstrating the will to help their tourism industry and businesses to recover more quickly, welcoming the waves of tourists and laying the new foundations for economic recovery.

Separating authorisation of COVID vaccines from vaccination certificates is another important step to avoiding vaccine discrimination and supporting governments' efforts in safely re-opening borders for both locals and tourists.