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Proportionate and pragmatic decisions should continue to prevail

The reduction of the mandatory quarantine period for all those who are fully vaccinated from 14 to 7 days as from August 16 is proportionate and pragmatic.

Reacting to the announcement made by the Deputy Prime Minister and the Public Health Superintendent that vaccinated people in contact with COVID-19 cases will spend less time in quarantine, the President of the Malta Chamber, Marisa Xuereb said that the decision is reasonable and good news for businesses, particularly those whose employees cannot perform their work duty away from their workplace and who are hence most severely impacted by long quarantine periods.

“With more than 85% of the adult population fully vaccinated in our country, it is appropriate to adopt measures that reflect the tangible benefits of a high vaccination rate and translate into an improvement in the quality of life of people. Such measures boost public confidence in the effectiveness of the vaccines and provide reassurance that, even with Covid among us, we can adopt more sustainable work-life practices. Cutting down quarantine period by half after surpassing this threshold is another step forward towards the pursuit of a new normality. Had the vaccine uptake not been so high, we would not have been able to do this.” – Marisa Xuereb

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