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A Message from the Investor Office

From the Investor Office at the City of Malaga, we hope that you, your family and your coworkers are doing well during these complicated times.

We are working from home and our mission continues to be to support the international businesses in Malaga. In collaboration with different organizations and in particular with the Consular Corps accredited in Malaga, we are providing support to the foreign communities, both tourists and residents. We are in contact with companies to see how they are adapting to the situation and preparing for the future. Also, we are talking with other foreign direct investment agencies and economic entities in Spain to share information and better understand the economic aid that the Government is implementing. We are preparing a special action plan to support the economic development of the city and to reinforce the visualization of Malaga as a business city and a privileged place to live, to work and to invest.

Be safe, #QuedateEnCasa and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions or would like to share information with us.

Regards, the Investor Office Team

Response Measures

The City of Malaga is working with other authorities to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 in our community by adopting forceful

Company News

Professors from the **University of Malaga**, together with scientists from the **Malaga Institute of Biomedical Research** (IBIMA) & healthcare

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company, Limasa, disinfects more than 5,000 points of the city daily thanks to its 77 individual teams.

The Malaga Mayor, Francisco de la Torre, announced on Monday extraordinary fiscal measures to help citizens, families, the self-employed and companies to alleviate the economic impact of this crisis on the local economy. The City of Malaga has:

- Postponed the payment of taxes such as vehicles and the liquidation of capital gains.
- Suspended the SARE parking fees.
- Enabled 700 free parking spaces for health personnel in the San José School (Carranque) through SMASSA.
- Suspended the quotas of the municipal market stalls, tables, chairs and awnings.
- Proposed a similar measure for the waste collection tax and the Economic Activities Tax (IAE) to the central government.
- Reinforced the "Citizen Services" hotline tel: 900 600 010 or 010 or 951 926 010 and doubled its staff.
- Injected 19 million euros into the local economy since the state of alarm declaration
 - 10.4 million transferred to municipal organizations and companies for the payment of suppliers,

prototype respirator which is fast & inexpensive to manufacture. The multinational **FujitsuTen** is preparing to start manufacturing the respirators at its factory in Malaga. The project is "open source", so any manufacturer can copy the design to produce it themselves.

The Malaga company **Ortoplus**, dedicated to dental design, joins the initiative to manufacture up to 240 solid protective masks per day with its seven industrial 3D printers.

By designation from the Ministry of Industry and Ametic, the Spanish Electronics and IT Association of Industries, **Grupo Premo**, based in Malaga, is working to locate thousands of miniature pneumatic solenoid electro valves to multiply the production of medical ventilators. These valves are critical because they give the maximum ventilation, and can supply two patients at the same time from a smaller portable machine powered by a charger which is optimal for field hospitals and medicalized hotels.

The textile industry in the Malaga province will manufacture 200,000 face masks thanks to an initiative called "Malaga Fashion" organized by the provisional government in collaboration with CaixaBank and the **"La Caixa"** Banking Foundation.

The Central Supply Market of

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personnel expenses.

- 7.2 million to the payment of suppliers and beneficiaries of aids and grants.
- 1.4 million to fulfill the obligations with financial institutions.

Malaga at a Glance

On January 27, we received a visit from the Bureau International des Expositions (BIE) in preparation for our candidacy to host an International Exhibition on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in 2027. Dimitri Kerkentzes, the general secretary of the BIE, said that "Malaga has a very strong candidacy for 2027."



The 9th edition of Transfiere, the European Forum for Science, Technology and Innovation, was held on February 12-13 in Malaga with more than 4,000 representatives from 1,600 companies, universities, organizations, R&D centers and research results transfer offices (OTRIS) from 30 countries. Canada was the guest country this year.

to guarantee supply to municipal markets and retail store in the city and the province. Since March 14, 7,600 tons of fruit and vegetables and 669 tons of fish and shellfish have been received and distributed by 12,642 transit vehicles.



Infolink-exp, a leader in global technology support services from San Jose, CA, recently opened its European office in Malaga. Infolink-EXP partners with rapidly scaling IoT technology companies, to deliver an additive customer experience to end users with services and data-driven insights, to increase adoption, customer retention and expand revenue.

Promotional Trips

The Malaga Mayor led a delegation from the City, the provisional government and the Unicaja bank and foundation to the opening of the "Picasso & Paper" exhibition at the Royal Academy of Arts in London this past January. This exhibit is the most comprehensive exhibition dedicated to the imaginative and original uses of paper by Picasso and is a perfect backdrop to remind the public that Picasso was born in Malaga, the city has a grand cultural offering and that it is one of the best places to live, to work and to invest

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Business Confederation (CEM), we organized a workshop on “Experiences in Attracting Investments.” ICEX, Invest in Spain, IDEA, Extenda as well as investment experts from Madrid, Valencia, Bilbao and Malaga shared their experiences and best practices during the session on February 20.



The University of Malaga and euRobotics organized the 2020 European Robotics Forum on March 3-5 in Malaga. Nearly 1,000 participants from public and private research centers and 50 exhibitors were in attendance to discuss the latest developments in the fields of robotics and artificial intelligence.

The 4th edition of Freakcon, an International Convention of Manga, Comic, TV Series & Video Games, had a total of 36,000 visitors on March 7-8 with a large number of special guests, famous authors and activities in areas such as Expo, Comic, Manga and Japanese Anime, TV Series and Movies, Conference, Masterclass, Stage & Video Games.



A delegation from Malaga headed by the Deputy Mayor of Tourism, City Promotion and Local & Foreign Investments, Rosa Sanchez participated in the World Business Angel Investment Forum in Istanbul on February 17- 18. This global forum brought together more than 1,500 investors, private equity fund managers, financial experts and business entities from around the world and was a perfect place to present Malaga's innovative ecosystem. Extenda & ICEX brought local companies including Froged, Newralers, Mindiff, Loonfy and Doggies in Town.



Visitors

We had business people and students visit us from Argentina, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France,

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By the Numbers

The Malaga province reached a new record with combined exports amounting to 2.2 billion euros in 2019. This is the highest figure since data began being collected in 1995. An increase of 9.2% compared to 2018 which is five times higher than the national average of 1.8 %. Exports in order include: olive oil follows, meats, electrical appliances and material, textiles, optical, measuring and medical devices, motor vehicles and tractors, legumes and vegetables stones, precious metals and jewelry.

Malaga set another record in terms of investments through audiovisual productions with its best year since the Malaga Film Office opened in 2001. In 2019, 86 audiovisual projects had an economic impact of 23 million euros in Malaga, 79% more than the previous year. The most common type of production was advertising (photos, commercials and videos) with 68 productions, followed by 36 short films and 27 television programs.

The Malaga port closed 2019 with a

the UK & the USA during the first quarter of 2020. We had special visits from senior digital design students and tourism students from the Netherlands.



Interesting Videos

["How we must respond to the coronavirus pandemic"](#) - A TED Talks interview with Bill Gates.

"Developing Smart Tourism Destinations" - [Malaga's case](#) as a 2020 European Capital of Smart Tourism at the Fitur Know-How & Export speakers' corner.



Upcoming Events

May 6-7	5G Forum held virtual from Malaga
June 3-4	The New Tech Observatory : Smart Tourism Forum

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3.6 million tons) and an economic benefit of 2.4 million euros.

- Container traffic saw a 51.7 % increase, solid bulk fell 13 % and vehicle traffic grew 10.7 %.
- The Malaga-Melilla ferry recorded "historical" results in passengers, with 411,316, which represents a 12.9 % increase.
- There was a slight 6 % decline in cruise ship traffic, registering 477,001 passengers in 2019.

The number of travelers of the AVE Madrid-Malaga high-speed train increased 1.9 % in 2019, with 2.5 million total users.

The Malaga-Costa del Sol international airport closed 2019 with a total of 19,856,299 travelers (4.4 % increase). By destinations, the United Kingdom maintained its lead position with 5,856,480 passengers, followed by the domestic market, Germany (1,585,012 travelers), France (1,207,230), the Netherlands (1,124,480) and Ireland (892,290). During 2019, the airport celebrated its 100-year anniversary and exceeded 400 million total passengers served since it opened in September 1919.

	Smart / Agrihood Summit
June 22-23	Cities & Museums International Trade Fair
June 29	Max Awards for the Performing Arts
July 17-19	Gamepolis eSports Festival
Sept.	Pasarela Larios Malaga Fashion Week
Sept. 16-17	Seatrade Cruise Med
Sept. 28-29	8th FIWARE Global Summit
Sept. 30 - Oct. 1	XI Green Cities Forum of Urban Intelligence & Sustainability
Sept. 30 - Oct. 1	S-Moving Forum: Smart, Autonomous & Unmanned Vehicles
Oct. 14-16	J on the Beach Big Data developers & DevOps
Nov. 6-8	SIMed 16th Mediterranean Real Estate Fair
Nov. 17-19	4K-HDR Summit
2021	World Technopolis Association (WTA) Global Innovation Forum

Foreign Business Groups in the Area

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