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Malaga at a Glance

The nationwide State of Alarm provoked by the COVID-19 pandemic ended in Spain on June 21; therefore things are opening back up to a new normal with restrictions and unique protocols. For example, social distancing and masks are mandatory. Stores, restaurants, hotels, museums, shops and beaches are opening where possible and when there is a demand. People are slowly returning to the office, but many are choosing to continue to work from home if their job and employer allow them to.



Malaga Forum: In June, the City organized a series of 6 meetings with all the municipal political groups, other administrations, professional

Company News



Freepik, a successful Malaga startup founded in 2010, was acquired by the Swedish private equity fund EQT. Freepik has 32 million monthly users in more than 200 markets and offers one of the largest platforms for graphic resources, PSD templates, stock photos and icons on the Internet.

A man from Malaga drives a pioneering technological system that eliminates the coronavirus in the air. DuctFIT has already proven its effectiveness with the official laboratory of the Andalusian Regional Government and in China. DuctFir will create a headquarters in

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people and professors to discuss proposals to incorporate in the response and recovery measures being implemented under the premise that no one is left behind. The meeting topics were "[Health and Safety](#)", "[Social Cohesion](#)", "[Tourism](#)", "[Innovation](#)", "[Construction](#)" and "[Commerce, Industry and Transport](#)."

Commercial flights resumed in mid-June and more will be added in July. There is a healthy demand for flights from the UK, the Netherlands, Germany and France. Trains have resumed as well with 2 daily trains to Madrid, 3 to Seville, 4 to Cordoba and 5 to Antequera. Ferries continue to operate from Mellia to Malaga, but no cruise ships are scheduled to dock this summer.



The Investor Office has adapted all its services to digital formats to continue supporting the international business community in the Malaga Valley ecosystem and to maintain contact with foreign companies that are seeking the benefits that Malaga has to offer.

development.

Malaga's professional eSports team the Vodafone Giants receives an investment of more than three million euros and plans a new headquarters in the City.

Investment Opportunities



The City has prepared 5 real estate investment catalogs for office buildings, residential homes, logistics centers, hotels, and public use. These catalogs provide technical and urban zoning information for specific plots of lands or buildings that are available for development. Click to see the [office building catalog](#) and [residential catalog](#).

Webinars

In addition to participating in dozens of local, national and global webinars regarding the economic situation and recovery, from the Investor Office we have organized our own virtual events.

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the first four months of 2020 reached 829 million euros, with an interannual growth of +11.9 %, which is the highest of all the Andalusian provinces, which contrasts with the -12.4 % drop in nationwide exports.

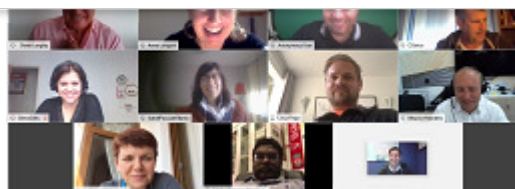


The iconic hashtag sculpture was recently installed to commemorate that Malaga is one of the European Capitals of Smart Tourism in 2020 along with Gothenburg. Along with the title, the City has increased its support for the tourism sector with campaigns such as "Malaga, Better Than Ever," the Malaga Tourism Hackathon, and the "Safe Management of Public Spaces," "Secure Andalusia" and "Trusted Stores" stamps for establishments that have adopted preventive measures. Tourism is an important economic pillar for the City and one of the most affected in recent months.

Interesting Videos

Malaga: Better Than Ever [video](#)

The Economist's [thoughts](#) on the future of offices



"Virtual Coffee Breaks" with executives from international companies in Malaga to understand how they are adapting to the situation and preparing for the future.

"Malaga: Resilient, United and Entrepreneurial City" with the Malaga Mayor to explain the measures taken by the City for the local business community.

"Working from Malaga for the World" with the Andalucian Technological Park to explore how companies and office space will adapt to keep employees safe, productive, and motivated.

"Consular Corps Collaboration" with the 42 diplomatic missions that are represented in Malaga to support the tourists and foreign residents in our City.

Upcoming Events

Aug. 21-30	Malaga Film Festival
Sept. 24-25	Smart Agrifood Summit
Sept. 30 - Oct. 1	XI Green Cities Forum of Urban Intelligence & Sustainability

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Andalucian Regional Gvt [video](#) with Antonio Banderas



Sept. 30 -
Oct. 1

[Smart, Autonomous & Unmanned Vehicles](#)

Oct. 14-16

[J on the Beach](#) Big Data developers & DevOps

Nov. 5-7

[SIMed](#) 16th Mediterranean Real Estate Fair

Nov. 17-19

[4K-HDR Summit](#)

July 23-25,
2021

[Gamepolis](#) eSports Festival

Foreign Business Groups in the Area

[American International Club](#)

[Asociacion Comercio Chino Andalucia](#)

[New & Foreign Residents of Malaga \(ANREM\)](#)

[British Association Marbella](#)

[British Chamber of Commerce](#)

[Business Breakfast Club \(Velez-Malaga\)](#)

[Business First Group](#)

[Costa Woman](#)

[Ellas Spanje Dutch Women Club](#)

[English Speaking Club Málaga](#)

[Guiri Business](#)

[International Club Estepona](#)

[Internations Malaga Chapter](#)

[Irish Association of Spain](#)

[Malaga Business & Networking](#)

[Malaga Business Minds](#)

[Malaga International Group](#)

[Malaga Makers Startup Community](#)

[Marbella Dutch Business Club](#)

[Marbella Open City](#)

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