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Table 1: Country responses – Covid-19 measures – Update per October 2023

	Austria	Belgium	Estonia	Finland	Hungary	Ireland	Italy	Latvia	Malta	Poland	Portugal	Romania	Serbia	Slovenia	UK
A. Vaccination															
1. Is Covid-19 vaccination for free in your country?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A
2. Is a booster vaccination free in your country?	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
3. Is Covid-19 vaccination or booster available in pharmacies?	No	Yes In some e.g., Flanders www.laatjevaccinieren.be/	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
4. Do you have a vaccination strategy/ recommendations for children below 12 year?	Yes	No www.laatjevaccinieren.be/vaccinatie-gegen-covid-en-griep-voor-wie-is-vaccinatie-gegen-covid-en-griep-aanbevolen	Yes	Yes Vaccination is recommended for children below 12 years who are in the risk group https://thl.fi/fi/web/infektio-ita-rokotukset/rokotteet-a-o/koronarokotte/eriryhmien-koronarokotukset/koronarokotukset-lapsille-ja-nuorille	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes 10 micrograms/dose (children aged between 5 and 11 years inclusive)	N/A	Yes	Yes
B. Surveillance															
5. Is there a Long-Covid strategy in place in your country?	No	Yes For reimbursement	Yes It is not strategy but recommendations for family doctors as main coordinators of long COVID	No	No	No	Yes	No	No There is no official long covid strategy/ registry but a long covid clinic, so it could also serve as registry - but with no additional data apart from demographics	Yes	N/A	Yes	No	No	No
6. Does your country have a registry on Long-Covid patients?	No	No www.inami.fgov.be/fr/themes/cout-remboursement/maladies/Pages/post-covid-remboursement-soins-1re-ligne-symptomes-persistants.aspx	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	N/A	No at the moment	No	No	No

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7. Is there a wastewater monitoring in your country or at least regionally?	Yes	Yes https://www.sciensano.be/sites/default/files/COVID-19-Weekly_waste_water_surveillance.pdf	Yes	Yes https://thl.fi/en/web/infectious-diseases-and-vaccinations/surveillance-and-registers/wastewater-monitoring/coronavirus-wastewater-monitoring	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
8. Is there a national Covid-19 dashboard that is currently being serviced?	Yes	Yes https://www.covid-vaccinatie.be/en	Yes	Yes https://www.thl.fi/episeuranta/tautitapaukset/coronamap.html	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
C. Measures															
9. Are there actually any measures or restrictions in place?	No	No www.info-coronavirus.be/en/faq/	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No There are universal precaution recommendations	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
10. Is self-testing for free in your country?	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes In long term care and health facilities	No	No	No	No	No Self-testes are not approved by the Drug Agency	No	No
11. Is it possible to book a test-slot for free in your country?	No Not any longer	N/A	N/A	N/A	No	No Not any longer	Yes	N/A	Yes	No Not any longer	No	No	Yes Booking is free, but, if you do not have symptoms, you need to pay testing	N/A	N/A
12. Is it possible to book a test-slot against payment in your country?	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	No Not any longer	No	N/A	No	No Not any longer	Yes	No	Yes Booking is free, but, if you do not have symptoms, you need to pay testing	N/A	N/A
13. Is it mandatory to wear face masks in hospital settings?	No	No www.info-coronavirus.be/en/facemask/	No Depends on hospital.	No	N/A	N/A	Yes	No It depends on hospital decision	Yes only in the clinical areas of a hospital	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	N/A
14. Is an evaluation of the pandemic measures in your country planned or already ongoing?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Been discussed in different forums	Yes	N/A	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	N/A
15. Can the pandemic response team be reactivated any time quickly (within 2 days)?	No	No FPS Health is working on a Generic Preparedness Plan including stipulation of which actors and structures should be involved in crisis management and how the roles are divided. However, it is still a draft and not operational yet.	Yes	Yes Team in THL is ready to act more or less immediately just like we did with avian flu over the summer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	N/A	No	No	Yes	Yes	N/A