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Factsheet for case **HR-2020-10/342**

Chamber of Commerce temporarily suspends their membership fee

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Country	Croatia, applies nationwide
Time period	Temporary, 01 March 2020 - 31 May 2020
Type	Legislation or other statutory regulation
Category	Supporting businesses to stay afloat – Direct subsidies (full or partial)
Case created	07 April 2020 (updated 30 April 2020)

Background information

At its extraordinary session on March 20, 2020 the Croatian Chamber of Commerce, decided to provisionally repeal the provisions of its Financing Decision which prescribes the obligation, amount and manner of payment of the membership fee for its members.

Following the 19 March 2020 decision of the Civil Protection Headquarters of the Republic of Croatia on measures to limit social gatherings, work in commerce, services and the holding of sporting and cultural events due to COVID-19 outbreak, the Croatian Chamber of Commerce decided to temporarily suspend the payment of its membership fee.

Content of measure

The Croatian Chamber of Commerce (CCC) Decision on the temporary suspension of the obligation to pay membership fees (OG 36/2020) stipulates temporary suspension of the membership fee to the Croatian Chamber of Commerce for the period from 1 March to 31 May 2020. Members are entrepreneurs from the various economic sectors, primarily in retail trade, preparation of food and drinks, accommodation, education, culture etc. According to the data by the Croatian Bureau of Statistics this measure could cover around 80 thousand business entities with 250 thousand employees.

In accordance with this Decision the Croatian Chamber of Trades and Crafts (HOK) decided that debit of the mandatory chamber contribution for the period April - June 2020 is written off.(see case n 344).

Use of measure

Not yet known.

Actors, target groups and funding

Actors	Target groups	Funding
Employers' organisations Company / Companies	All companies	Employers organisation No special funding required

Social partners

Role of social partners	Not applicable
Form of involvement	Not applicable

Not applicable.

Sectors and occupations

This case is sector-specific.

Economic area	Sector (NACE level 2)
G - Wholesale And Retail Trade; Repair Of Motor Vehicles And Motorcycles	G45 Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles
	G46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles
	G47 Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles
I - Accommodation And Food Service Activities	I55 Accommodation
	I56 Food and beverage service activities

R - Arts, Entertainment And Recreation	R90 Creative, arts and entertainment activities
	R92 Gambling and betting activities
	R93 Sports activities and amusement and recreation activities

This case is not occupation-specific.

Sources

- 20 March 2020: Odluka o privremenom ukidanju obveze plaćanja članarine (narodne-novine.nn.hr)
- 27 March 2020: Suspension of the obligation to pay the CCC and HOK membership fees (www.rrif.hr)