



# House of European History reopens

## with new “Documenting Covid” display



18 June 2020 – Brussels-based museum House of European History has reopened to the public with a new display from Belgium and across Europe entitled “Documenting Covid”. The curated selection of objects reveal the deep social, economic and cultural impact caused by the pandemic, as well as common themes of solidarity, hope and resilience during the adversity. Objects include a large banner from School No. 16 in Schaerbeek, Brussels, a 3D-printed face shield from Bulgaria, and black umbrella from protests in Poland. As part of the European Parliament's Visitor Offer, the Parlamentarium and Station Europe have also reopened to the public. Visits to all three organisations are free.

*“We are delighted to welcome visitors back to our museum. Over the last few months our museum has collected testimonies and objects which express community-building and creativity in the face of adversity. We look forward to present these elements, share stories and start conversations with our visitors about hope and life during a pandemic.”*

— Museum Director, Dr. Constanze Itzel



## In order to create a safe experience, the museum has enhanced its offer and adopted a range of safety measures:

- Visitors can listen to new audio guides in French, Dutch and English and German on their own mobile devices and earphones. Tablet guides are still be available in 24 languages and will be disinfected after each use.
- Facemasks are mandatory for all visitors above the age of 12.
- Visits are allowed for individual visitors or small groups from the same household. [Booking in advance](#) is mandatory. Further information [on the website](#).



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## About the House of European History

The House of European History opened in May 2017 in the European quarter of Brussels. The permanent exhibition galleries offer a unique experience, immersing visitors in the history of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries and an exploration of the development of European integration. Visitors can discover the origins and evolution of Europe, learning about both the continent's diversity and history's many interpretations of its story. The learning offer of the museum takes a trans-European viewpoint that explores the historical memories, diverse experiences and common ground of the peoples of Europe and how these relate to the present day. Available in 24 languages, entrance to the museum is free.