

# Responding to Covid-19: the Britacom Perspective

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## The Perspective of the Italian Revenue Agency (“Ade”)

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# Responding to Covid-19: three phases

1. Emergency phase (Feb 2020)

2. Lockdown phase (Mar/Apr 2020)

3. Recovery phase (May 2020)



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# 1. Emergency phase – #Stay at Home



- COVID-19 **EMERGENCY COMMITTEES**
- Identification of **essential** and **non-essential** activities
- **Priority:** Staff and taxpayers' safety
- **Remote Working:** ordinary way of working
- **Enhancement of E-Services:** to ensure taxpayers could obtain services seamlessly through enhanced digital channels or dedicated free-toll phone numbers

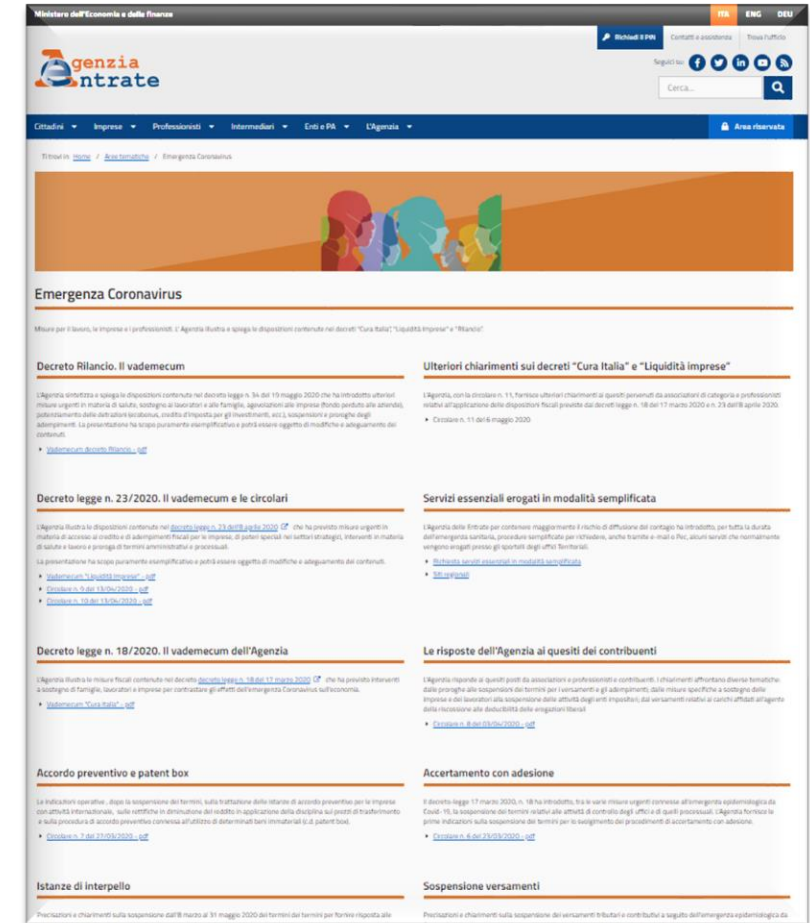


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# 2. Lockdown phase – Law Decrees “#Cure Italy” and “#Support liquidity”

- **EXTENSION OF DEADLINES for TAX PAYMENTS and TAX FILING** remitting penalties and interest
- **COERCIVE TAX COLLECTION** suspended
- **AUDITS AND ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES** postponed (except in cases of fraud)
- **STRUCTURED COMMUNICATION POLICY** based on press releases and social media plus ad-hoc Covid 19 webpage
- **ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDANCE** issued in “real-time” with the law decrees to support taxpayers in applying the new measures



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# 3. Recovery phase - Law Decree “#Relaunch”

- **NEW COMPETENCES for «Ade»:**

- Granting indemnities to financially affected taxpayers
- Tackling abuses on tax credits related to COVID-19

- **ADDITIONAL EXTENSIONS OF DEADLINES**

- Possibility to pay due taxes until Sept 2020 or in 4 instalments until Dec 2020
- For Assessments for notification of assessments

- **MEASURES FOR COMPANIES**

- New measures for strengthening net equity increases
- Support to start-up companies



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