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In view of the unprecedented situation linked to Covid-19, IFPEN has adapted the way it organizes its activities in order to protect its employees and partners.

A crisis unit was activated at the end of February and meets daily. A business continuity plan was drawn up in order to help IFPEN and its employees be as well prepared as possible to deal with the disruption caused by these exceptional circumstances. Following the temporary closure of sites, a partial and gradual resumption of priority experimental activities was initiated starting on 11 May, supported by protective measures to ensure employee safety.

### **After an 8-week idle period...**

On 17 March, the Rueil-Malmaison and Solaize sites went into idle mode, except for security-related activities. The last units were closed on 20 March at Rueil-Malmaison and 24 March at Solaize, with a dozen or so employees ensuring a permanent on-site presence.

### **... a partial and gradual resumption on sites**

On 11 May, the process of gradually resuming the most strategically important experimental activities at the Rueil-Malmaison and Solaize sites began. Enhanced protective measures are operating at the sites, with employees required to wear masks and observe the other hygiene-related shielding advice.

### **... and the continuation of teleworking**

However, most employees continue to operate on a teleworking basis. The digital transformation process begun at IFPEN a few years ago, along with the teleworking mechanism put in place at the beginning of 2019, have greatly facilitated our business continuity.

Moreover, all personnel - researchers, technicians, support staff - have demonstrated their commitment and determination to continue to work as effectively as possible. Interactions with outside partners also continue.

Similarly, IFP School, which has already fully embraced educational innovations, is conducting most of its lectures, tutorials and projects online. External programs are also being delivered online.

## IFPEN's resources used to support healthcare workers

IFPEN has begun using its 3D printers to produce protective visors for neighboring hospitals.

IFPEN has also [donated most of its stocks of masks and gowns](#) to hospital or community health workers in the Ile-de-France and Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes regions.

## In practice

In order to maintain communication and ensure the continuation of ongoing projects, IFPEN's personnel may be contacted by email or telephone as usual.

### For the attention of our suppliers:

Our warehouses are once again open for the receipt of goods at the Solaize and Rueil sites and suppliers can deliver during the usual opening hours.

The processing of supplier invoices in paper format is currently disrupted due to the reduced postal service. In order to be able to process your invoices as quickly as possible, we would ask our suppliers to submit them online on [the CHORUS PRO platform](#) using our identifier code 77572915500017.

To reach our employees, we recommend contacting them by email at the following address: [relance-factures@ifpen.fr](mailto:relance-factures@ifpen.fr).

Please be assured that our accounting and finance department are doing everything they can to ensure your invoices are processed as normal during this challenging period.

For all urgent inquiries, please contact us by email at [webmestre@ifpen.fr](mailto:webmestre@ifpen.fr).

We are very keen to stay in contact during this period of disruption.  
Let's all stay safe.



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