CENTOGENE AND MEDICARE COLLABORATE WITH LUFTHANSA TO OFFER CUSTOMERS FAST PCR CORONA TESTS

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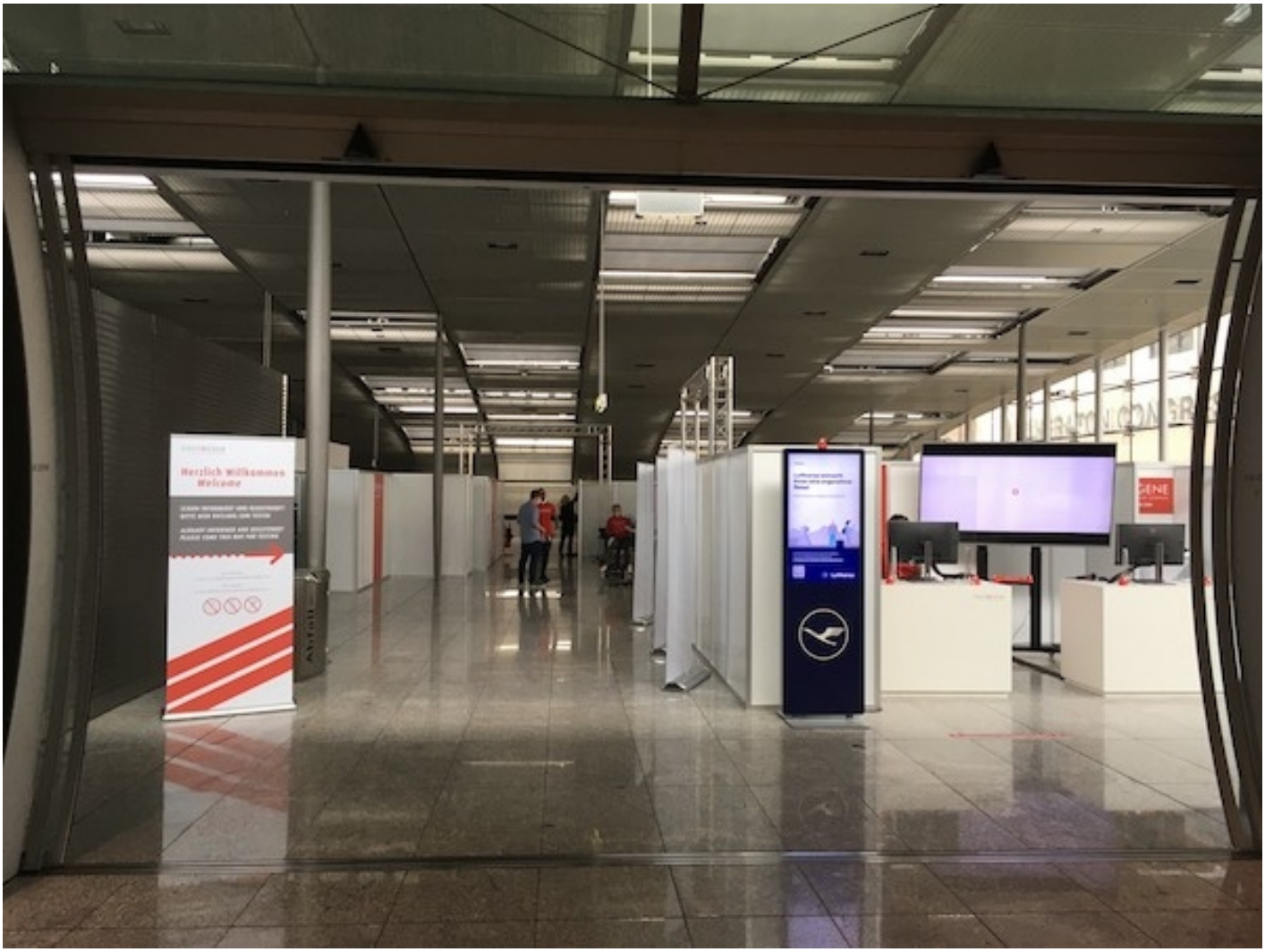

Starting today, Lufthansa customers can decide if they want to be tested for the SARS-CoV-2 virus before departing from or after arriving at Frankfurt airport. Lufthansa partner Centogene has opened a special facility, offering customers PCR (polymerase chain reaction) corona tests. These tests require only a throat swab and are certified by the relevant health authorities of Lufthansa's main markets, including those of Germany and Austria. Another PCR corona test facility has also opened in Munich, where Lufthansa partners with Munich Airport and its medical centre MediCare.

"These test centres offer our customers the opportunity to avoid being quarantined, when arriving in Germany and Austria, with a negative corona test in their hand," said Dr. Björn Becker, Senior Director Product Management Ground & Digital Services Lufthansa Group. "Results are usually available within four to five hours after testing and are linked to the customer's flight ticket. This also makes it easier for them to travel safely to other countries

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worldwide that accept a certified PCR corona test as well to avoid quarantine.“

Customers in Frankfurt are required to register for the test in advance either online (www.centogene.com/corona) or directly at the test center. Each tested person will receive the result via an app link. To ensure a smooth process, it is recommended to have the PCR corona test conducted one day before the departure from Frankfurt airport or right after arrival. At Frankfurt Airport, the tests will be conducted in a facility located between Terminal 1 and the “Squaire”. Centogene is evaluating up to 380 tests per hour in a certified laboratory at the airport. This testing facility is open from Monday to Friday between 9am and 7pm and on Saturdays and Sundays between 9am and 5pm.

In Munich, Lufthansa is also offering PCR-corona tests in cooperation with the local airport clinic MediCare in Terminal 1. This testing facility is easy to reach for passengers travelling through Lufthansa’s Bavarian hub. Passengers should request the tests also in advance in order to avoid any waiting time at the test center (email: notfallambulanz@munich-airport.de). The result of each test are available only after 3 to 4 hours later.

For all its international flights, Lufthansa recommends that customers should always proactively inform themselves about the current entry and quarantine regulations of their respective destinations. Information on all hygienic measures introduced by Lufthansa for its customers is available at https://www.lufthansa.com/sg/en/travelling-and-corona

Customers arriving in Germany and Austria are currently subject to a 14-day-quarantine if their travel originates from certain countries. Alternatively, they can provide evidence of a negative PCR corona test. More information on which countries this applies to is available at the Robert-Koch-Institute on https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges_Coronavirus/Risikogebiete_neu.html

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