

Bizcommunity takes business virtual, as usual

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With regard to the impact of the Covid-19 virus on global business, it is fair to say that in the quest to find socio-economic solutions to pandemic threats, we are witnessing change-management on a globally unprecedented scale. Many organisations are needing to implement measures at many touchpoints at very short notice. It is scary, challenging and demanding.

In these polarised times of physical distancing and social solidarity, we feel privileged to be able to provide our communities not only with valuable information, but more importantly, a home base on the web.



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Bizcommunity has always been the place where virtual business gets done and is fully set up to seamlessly enable your business communications through the 21-day national lockdown, starting at midnight on 26 March 2020.

We are proud and heartened by the resourcefulness, proactivity and creativity of our communities, sending in related thought-leadership articles and information, calling for crowd-sourced solutions, explaining market and management trends and of course providing vital healthcare updates. We see this trend growing in the days and weeks ahead.

#Covid19SA

We've aggregated a list of [useful links](#) as a resource for you. There is also a Covid-19 news feed box in the right-margin throughout every page of Bizcommunity's 19 portals.

We are operating at full capacity from remote locations, so if you have pending ad campaigns or would like to increase your company's visibility during this period, please [contact us](#). We understand the overwhelming pressure on many businesses at this time and will make every effort to offer favourable bundles and rates on our products during this period.

If you have news you would like to share with your industry relating to Covid-19 please submit this on our [news submission page](#).

If you have any links or resources to be added to [this page](#), please email covid-19@bizcommunity.com.

#stayhome #stayhealthy #socialdistance #coronavirusSA #covid19SA

Important announcements

- President Cyril Ramaphosa announces nationwide lockdown from **midnight on Thursday, 26 March, for 21 days** - [read announcement](#), [watch video](#).
- Essential services and businesses allowed to operate under lockdown - [link](#).

South African links

- SA Government info page: www.gov.za/NovelCoronavirus.
- SA Government official statements - [link](#)
- The National Institute for Communicable Diseases: www.nicd.ac.za
- Health Department's Resource Portal - sacoronavirus.co.za
- SMME Debt Relief - register your business at www.smmesa.gov.za for financial assistance if impacted by the lockdown, [read more](#).
- Wesgro business advice and support - www.supportbusiness.co.za.

Numbers

- Emergency Hotline: 0800 029 999
- WhatsApp Support Line: send "hi" to 0600-123456 or view using [WhatsApp Web](#).
- Regional numbers and hospitals for managing the Covid-19 cases - <https://www.gov.za/Coronavirus>.

South African news sources

- [Bizcommunity special section](#)
- [Google news](#)
- [Twitter #Covid19SA](#)
- [News24 news](#) - [live updates](#)
- [Daily Maverick](#)
- [IOL](#)
- [Eyewitness News](#)
- [Mail & Guardian](#)
- [BusinessTech](#)
- [MyBroadband](#)
- [The Citizen](#)

International links

- World Health Organization - www.who.int
- US Centers for Disease Control - www.cdc.gov

World Health Organization resources

- [Getting your workplace ready](#)
- [Mythbusters](#)
- [Healthy parenting](#)
- [When and how to use masks](#)

Other resources

- [Discovery Health](#)
- [Mediclinic](#)
- [Netcare](#)
- [Life Healthcare](#)
- [Sanlam](#)
- [Bonitas](#)

Stats

- <https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/>
- <https://www.covidvisualizer.com/>
- <https://www.bing.com/covid>
- <https://mediahack.co.za/datastories/coronavirus/dashboard/>
- Reuters - [link](#)

Of interest

- How the Czech Republic has halted the growth of new cases with #Masks4All - [video](#)

Legal issues

Podcasts by Fluxmans Attorneys:

- [No work no pay?](#)
- [Business closure?](#)
- [Money worries?](#)
- [Contracts, cancellations and confusion](#)

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