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RECTOR'S DECREE

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On amendments to the Rector's Decree No.5-1/132/2021 of 8 March 2021 "On further organisation of the study process under conditions of the spread of COVID-19 infection"

In order to continue the study, research and scientific activity of Rīga Stradiņš University (RSU) under conditions of the spread of Covid-19 infection, reducing the health risks to students, staff and guests and observing the mandatory epidemiological safety measures and restrictions imposed in the country, as well as taking into consideration the principles of action included in Section 1, Paragraph three, and Section 2, Clause two of the *Law on the Management of the Spread of Covid-19 Infection*, Paragraphs 4, 8 and 26.1 of the Cabinet Regulations No 360 of 9 June 2020 "*Epidemiological safety measures for limiting the spread of Covid-19 infection*", Section 54, Paragraph six of the *Education Law* and Section 4, Paragraph three, Clause four of the *Law on Higher Education Institutions*.

it is DECREED that:

- 1. The following amendments to the Rector's Decree No.5-1/132/2021 of 8 March 2021 "On further organisation of the study process under conditions of the spread of COVID-19 infection" (hereinafter the Decree) shall be introduced:
 - 1.1. add the paragraph 1.4 and its sub-paragraphs to the Decree in the following wording:
 - 1.4. From 30 August 2021, students and employees corresponding to one of the following categories of people may participate in studies, including in medical institutions:
 - 1.4.1. people vaccinated against Covid-19 starting from the fifteenth day after completion of a full vaccination course with vaccines registered by the European Medicines Agency or equivalent regulators or vaccines approved by the World Health Organisation in accordance with the instructions for vaccine use or from the twenty-second to the ninetieth day after receiving the first dose of the "Vaxzevria" vaccine and immediately after receiving the second dose of "Vaxzevria" vaccine;
 - 1.4.2. people who can provide documentary evidence of an episode of Covid-19 infection from the time the doctor has stopped the person's isolation until the one hundred and eightieth day after the date of sampling with laboratory-confirmed Covid-19 infection detecting SARS-CoV-2 virus RNA , and who have been vaccinated against Covid-19 during this period in the same manner as specified in Sub-paragraph 1.4.1;

- 1.4.3. people who have not been vaccinated against Covid-19, provided that a negative result to a SARS-CoV-2 virus RNA test is obtained regularly within 72 hours prior to each visit to the workplace or medical facility and contact with colleagues or patients. Payment for the test shall be made by the person himself/herself, unless documentary evidence is provided that the person has clinical contraindications to vaccination against Covid-19;
- 1.4.4. people who have not been vaccinated against Covid-19 and who have documentary evidence of allergic reaction following the first dose of the vaccine against Covid-19, provided that a negative result of the SARS-CoV-2 virus RNA test is obtained regularly within 72 hours prior to each visit to the workplace or medical facility and contact with colleagues or patients. In this case, payment for the test shall be made by RSU ".
- 1.2. add sub-paragraphs to the paragraph 2.2 of the Decree in the following wording:
 - "2.2. During the first 10 days after returning to the Republic of Latvia, the student shall not come to RSU premises of studies and research, including medical facilities, and shall not contact RSU students, employees or other staff related to RSU activity in person, as well as shall self-isolate. Self-isolation may be disregarded:
 - 2.2.1. by a person who can provide documentary evidence of an episode of Covid-19 infection from the time the doctor has stopped the person's isolation until the one hundred and eightieth day after the date of sampling with laboratory-confirmed Covid-19 infection detecting SARS-CoV-2 virus RNA , and who have been vaccinated against Covid-19 during this period;
 - 2.2.2. by a person who has stayed in the European Union Member State or the European Economic Area State, in the Swiss Confederation or the United Kingdom for the last 14 days and can present a statement that fifteen days have elapsed after the completion of a full vaccination course with vaccines registered by the European Medicines Agency or equivalent regulators or vaccines approved by the World Health Organisation in accordance with the instructions for vaccine use".
- 2. Changes to the regulation may be made in accordance with changes in the regulatory framework.
- 3. The Rector's Office shall acquaint all employees and P.Feldmane, the President of the Student Union's Board with this Decree.

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