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## Addendum to Notice of open competition – EPSO/AST-SC/09/19 – Conference operators (SC 2)

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1. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, from 6 March 2020 onwards EPSO had to interrupt and suspend its activities related to ongoing competitions in order to ensure all appropriate precautionary measures are in line with the instructions and guidelines provided by the EU institutions and national authorities. In particular, this affected the organisation of the tests with physical presence in EPSO's premises or in one of EPSO's accredited centres. EPSO initially planned to restart the testing from mid-September 2020. However, given the current COVID-19 situation, in which national authorities have introduced measures prohibiting large gatherings of people and limiting travel for public health reasons, it will not be possible to organise tests with physical presence in EPSO's premises in the foreseeable future.

2. To conclude the open competitions within a reasonable period of time, EPSO will determine the optimal way of testing for each competition and inform candidates in due time. Therefore all tests related to the abovementioned competition will now take place either remotely or in one of EPSO's accredited test centres.

Remote online testing will allow candidates to sit the tests at home, in the office, etc. without needing to travel to an EPSO testing centre. Such testing takes place henceforth via online videoconferencing. All technical details will be provided in due time, including instructions on how to test the connection before the actual day of testing. Candidates must check their EPSO account at least twice a week.

3. In case of testing in the EPSO accredited centres, candidates will be able to choose among a high number of those test centres both throughout Europe and worldwide. All sanitary measures that are necessary for the purpose of taking the test in those test centres will be taken.

4. Invitations for the tests will be published in candidates' EPSO accounts.

5. For this competition the assessment tests will now be organised either remotely or in one of EPSO's accredited test centres.