
Bulgaria: slow reopening after lockdown. Patashev (Caritas) to SIR, “a few cases, but high unemployment and severe social impact”

(Sofia) Life slowly returns to normal even in Bulgaria, where the state of emergency ended on 13 May, although the small number of infections has never required the adoption of drastic measures. Since the beginning of the pandemic, confirmed coronavirus cases in



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[“Against this backdrop, Caritas Bulgaria had to reinvent its activities. Our social restaurant in Sofia has become a soup kitchen providing hot meals to the needy, and our ambulances are now carrying food instead of children with disabilities”, the secretary general said. In his opinion, “the social impact of COVID-19 in Bulgaria will be far greater than the health impact since the Balkan country is the poorest in Europe”. “But the crisis has also prompted extraordinary acts of solidarity, and I am sure that together we will overcome this”, he concluded.](#)

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