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Dear Presidents,

Last week, ALLEA and the hosting academies informed the general public and our Member Academies that the General Assembly meetings scheduled for London on 3-4 June were [cancelled](#) due to the Coronavirus restrictions of public gatherings. We deeply regret this and are very grateful to our hosts in the UK and Ireland for their organisational efforts these past months.

At ALLEA, we are adapting to the new circumstances and working closely with partners and through our projects to help tackle this challenge. Sharing knowledge and promoting collaboration are the first immediate steps we are taking. We have prepared the webpage www.allea.org/coronavirus as a platform of key resources on COVID-19 from European and international institutions that may be useful for the research community and our Member Academies.

To further develop this webpage, we would like to ask you to share with us all initiatives of your academies related to COVID-19 – for instance, scientific articles and reports, research projects, funding calls, statements, public awareness campaigns, online events or any other resources related to this topic. We will include these resources on our website to showcase your activities and share them among European stakeholders. We would very much appreciate if you could send your contributions via e-mail to pietruczuk@allea.org. If the information is not available in English, we would appreciate a short description of the initiative of no more than 100 words.

The ALLEA Secretariat is considering new virtual formats for events and internal meetings for our working groups, projects, and Board. We will inform all our members in due course about the new modalities of holding our 2020 General Assembly business meeting by correspondence. We very much appreciate your understanding and collaboration in this regard.

As always, many thanks for your enduring support and active collaboration.

Best regards and – most importantly - stay healthy,



Antonio Loprieno
President of ALLEA