

5 January 2022

Dear All,

We wish to confirm to the 260 currently registered people and those who might be thinking of snapping up one of the last 40 places that the in person portion of the 2022 Cleantech Forum San Francisco, to take place at The Westin Mission Hills Resort Villas, Rancho Mirage, near Palm Springs, 24-26 January 2022, **WILL proceed as planned**, unless there is a radical change in circumstances or public health guidelines, forcing us to do so or changing our risk assessment.

And we very much hope you will still join us.

We believe our strategy to be at a self-contained resort in the Palm Springs area (where case counts of Covid are very low and weather is fine) and to cap the size of the event will hold us all in good stead.

That said, circumstances with regards to the pandemic have shifted some, since we launched this event in the Fall. And so, with a view to creating as secure an environment as possible for our guests, we have reviewed our Covid 19 policy and strengthened it in two ways, as below, to be in tune with the risks of today and to be aligned to updated state guidelines.

- 1. Everyone will be asked to undergo a rapid, "on arrival" Covid antigen test (before they can collect their conference badge)
- 2. Everyone will be asked to wear a face covering/mask for all indoor settings of the event.

In addition to conducting onsite tests before you can pick up your conference badge on first arrival, Cleantech Group will also be providing a service to enable international travelers who need a PCR "fit to fly" test, to be able to do that on-site at the event, as well.

Below please find important details on the entry process and requirements, drawn from our updated Covid-19 event policy.

Please read this email carefully to make your arrival and entry experience as smooth as possible.

In addition, please do note that our hotel block (and the associated preferential terms) ends on Friday January 7th. If you are yet to book your hotel room on-site, through this hotel block, we highly recommend you doing so without delay. You can cancel such rooms until 3 days before.

Arrival Instructions

1) Before You Leave Home

We would highly recommend active self-testing before you embark on your journey to Palm Springs, irrespective of your vaccination status. This will minimize the chances of anyone being barred from the event, via the newly-added on-site test below, and/or having to self-isolate miles from home.

2) On Arrival at the Event (before you can pick up a badge)

On arrival at the conference site for the first time, all attendees will be directed to a Covid screening room where:

• You will need to identify yourself, verify at least two WHO-approved Covid-19 vaccinations have been administered at least two weeks prior to the event. OR produce evidence of a negative Covid test taken within 48 hours before arriving at the event.

<u>AND</u>



• in a new measure we are now adding, before anyone can pick up a badge, you will undergo, administered by a professional testing firm, a rapid antigen test. Assuming negative, you will then be admitted to the event.

During Cleantech Forum San Francisco 2022

3) Face coverings/masks indoors (REQUIRED)

Face coverings/masks are once more required for indoor settings in the State of California. We will require face coverings/ masks to be worn in any of the indoor settings and meetings rooms of the event. They will need to cover nose and mouth.

4) If you are experiencing COVID-19 Symptoms

If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms while at Cleantech Forum San Francisco, please do NOT come to the meetings area but communicate with us on forums@cleantech.com to seek help on what to do next. The resort has protocols in place.

5) PCR Tests for International Travelers Returning Home

Cleantech Group will provide PCR testing for attendees who are traveling back to their international destination and who require a test to travel. You will be required to present proof of outbound international travel within the appropriate period, to be eligible to receive your test onsite.

Your health and safety is important to us, and we thank you for following our updated and strengthened health protocols.

Please continue to check the Cleantech Forum San Francisco website and/or our delegate communications for additional updates.

We look forward to welcoming you to Palm Springs. If you have any questions, be it on the above or indeed on anything else, please do not hesitate to be in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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