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We are thrilled to share with you an exciting new project. We are launching the **COVID-19 Testing Planning Tool** with the aim to provide airports with all the required information to open COVID-19 testing centres.

The end-product includes a module that provides a detailed assessment on the space necessary to handle the forecasted passenger numbers for testing, the capacity needed, and the facilities required depending on the airport's requirements, constraints and testing processes. The takeaways for participating airports include – but are not limited to– an initial assessment of the COVID-19 testing and screening facilities requirements, multiple scenarios and strategy testing, or assessments for both arriving and departing facilities.

There will be two different packages available for the airports that participate: the **Gold Package** and the **Platinum Package**. The former will offer a personal assessment with up to three scenarios, whereas the latter will also include a video simulation.

EBEA Co-Founder and Director Ramon Anton quoted: "The tool has been designed to provide a valuable planning view of the spacing and equipment requirements for these new facilities. It allows understanding how different testing cycle times, operating models, regulatory and operational requirements play a part in shaping this new type of airport facilities."

ACI World Director General Luis Felipe de Oliveira said: "While the world waits for the distribution of vaccines, testing will be central to the sustained recovery of air travel and it is not surprising that some airports are grabbing the bull by the horns and trialling COVID-19 testing on their premises. The tool developed by EBEA can assist those airports that are planning the provision of testing facilities through detailed modelling and assessment, helping them to make informed evidence-based decisions."

Airports can discuss their requirements and determine the right package for their needs. Following the set-up of the model, results and recommendations are presented in a follow-up virtual meeting.

For more information, please feel free to consult the following link (<https://aci.aero/about-aci/priorities/health/airport-covid-19-testing-planning-tool/>) or contact us at info@ebea.co.uk.