

Italy reinforces tracking to keep Delta variant under control

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Italy will enforce stricter controls and tracking procedures on those travelling from abroad in a bid to control the COVID-19 Delta variant, as the number of daily positive cases decrease and the restrictions across the country continue to ease.

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Independent medical foundation GIMBE, which promotes health and scientific research, stated that “a wait-and-see attitude on the Delta variant is not possible”, adding that “contact tracing and screening for people coming from abroad should be strengthened” and less time between first and second doses of the vaccine.

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“Without reliable data on the Delta variant in Italy,” said GIMBE president Nino Cartabellotta, “we have three certainties: the number of sequencing procedures is too small, the contact tracing has not resumed and, comparing with the UK, where the variant is thriving, we have a considerably smaller number of fully vaccinated people”. (Alessandro Follis | EURACTIV.it)

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