

3.2.4 Sector specificity

Obviously sector specificity can be an additional angle to look at the development of position papers. Specific attention for sectors which are severely impacted by the COVID-19 virus is key, or via specific positions, or via specific sector attention in one general paper.

This is very appropriate when the measures also provide for a gradual, sector specific approach for the restart of certain sectors which were obligatory closed or in lock down. Sector associations like retail, or sections of the retail branch such as flower shops, garden centers for example may appreciate specific attention for their branch or sub branch.

Having said so, the counter argument is that too deep sector specificity may blur global messages, or may create internal friction with the employers' organisations' membership, since some sectors are favored vis à vis others. A good balance will hence have to be struck.

