**Dear applicants!**

Since the COVID-19 outbreak was declared a pandemic, travel trips and movement across the European Union were temporary limited.
Nowadays freedom of movements restrictions come into force in Italy, except for the cases of work, emergency needs and physical well-being. The same restrictions are also applied for foreign residents.
Due to regulations of the General Consulate of Italy in Saint-Petersburg we are pleased to inform that new limits on processing the applications forms are imposed from 18, March. The applicants will not be able to apply for short-time visas for the trips planned before the 1st of June 2020 excluding motivated reasons.
The Consulate will review only visa application forms for multiple-entry visas and national visas (type D) with the date of arrival no earlier than June, 2020, provided that the foreign resident is able to show the proper use of previously-issued Schengen visas.

Owing to the emergency situation caused by COVID-19 the measures concerning Russian citizens were implemented, especially for those who already have valid visas and will decide to plan a new trip to Italy.

**Those who already have a valid visa issued by the General Consulate of Italy in Saint-Petersburg for the period from 1, February 2020 till 30, June 2020 and will decide not to cancel their trip but transfer it will have an opportunity to get a new visa on condition that the previous one wasn’t used for staying in other countries of Schengen area.**

**The applicant should provide the following documents:**

* **new application form, filled in correctly and signed, with the dates of new trip indicated in it**
* **photo**
* **passport with a previously issued visa**
* **a proof of the fact that the initially planned trip has been canceled (booking of airplane tickets, hotel voucher, etc.)**
* **a proof of the newly planned trip (booking of airplane tickets, hotel voucher, etc.)**
* **medical insurance.**

**The applicants should hand on the complete set of documents in the envelope with surname and date of application to the Italian Visa Centre VMS ( st. Kazanskaia 1/25, 5th floor, SC Nevskii Atrium, Saint-Petersburg)**