



Earlier today Consell de Formentera president Alejandra Ferrer delivered one hundred face shields to Formentera Hospital deputy director Ilana Martínez. Cutall GmbH & Co. KG, a German firm, donated the equipment—a total of one thousand units—which the local government will distribute among essential services in the Pine Islands.

The protective gear will be rationed as follows: 100 for Formentera Hospital, 100 for the Formentera Local Police, fire brigade and Civil Protection, 50 for Formentera Civil Guard, 50 for priority external services such as private dentists and doctors, 200 for Formentera Department of Social Welfare staff and municipal employees with direct public contact. The remaining 500 units will be sent to the Eivissa-Formentera branch of the Balearic health institute (Ib-Salut), which will decide how best to disburse the shields according to need.

President Ferrer gave special thanks to company owner Joachim Nöthen for the donation. “Mr Nöthen has deep ties to the island”, she said, “He’s spent long periods of time here, and he reached out about the donation”. Cutall typically specialises in laser cuts for acrylic signage, but realigned its focus to fit emerging needs amid the Covid-19 crisis. With the going market rate for face shields between €10 and €12, the estimated value of the donation is €10,000.

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