

# WHO Europe Director Says Governments Should Stop Enforcing Lockdowns

Impact on other areas of physical and mental health too damaging.

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*The World Health Organization's Regional Director for Europe **Hans Kluge** says governments should stop enforcing lockdowns, unless as a "last resort," because the impact on other areas of health and mental well-being is more damaging.*

In an interview with Euro News, Kluge cautioned against the imposition of more lockdowns unless they are "absolutely necessary."

NEW: WHO Europe Director, Hans Kluge tells me, no government should enforce another national lockdown unless it is absolutely necessary, a last resort

He says damage to other health areas, mental health, domestic violence, schools and cancer treatment is too great [pic.twitter.com/jzbh9YbH7z](https://pic.twitter.com/jzbh9YbH7z)

— Darren McCaffrey (@DarrenEuronews) [October 13, 2020](#)

"He says damage to other health areas, mental health, domestic violence, schools and cancer treatment is too great," tweeted reporter Darren McCaffrey.

Kluge's warning matches that of the WHO's special envoy on COVID-19, Dr David Nabarro, who recently told the Spectator in an interview that world leaders should stop imposing lockdowns as a reflex reaction because they are making "poor people an awful lot poorer."

WATCH: Dr David Nabarro, the WHO's Special Envoy on Covid-19, tells Andrew Neil: 'We really do appeal to all world leaders: stop using lockdown as your primary control method'. Watch the full interview here: <https://t.co/XLdaedsKVS> [#SpectatorTV](#) [@afneil](#) | [@davidnabarro](#) [pic.twitter.com/1M4xf3VnXQ](https://pic.twitter.com/1M4xf3VnXQ)

— The Spectator (@spectator) [October 9, 2020](#)

It also resonates with numerous other experts who have desperately tried to warn governments that lockdowns will end up killing more people than the virus itself, but have

been largely ignored.

Germany's Minister of Economic Cooperation and Development, **Gerd Muller**, recently [warned](#) that COVID-19 lockdowns will result in "one of the biggest" hunger and poverty crises in history.

"We expect an additional 400,000 deaths from malaria and HIV this year on the African continent alone," Muller said, adding that "half a million more will die from tuberculosis."

Muller's comments arrived months after a [leaked study](#) from inside the German Ministry of the Interior revealed that the impact of the country's lockdown could end up killing more people than the coronavirus due to victims of other serious illnesses not receiving treatment.

Another [study](#) found that lockdowns will conservatively "destroy at least seven times more years of human life" than they save.

Professor Richard Sullivan also [warned](#) that there will be more excess cancer deaths in the UK than total coronavirus deaths due to people's access to screenings and treatment being restricted as a result of the lockdown.

His comments were [echoed](#) by **Peter Nilsson**, a Swedish professor of internal medicine and epidemiology at Lund University, who said,

"It's so important to understand that the deaths of COVID-19 will be far less than the deaths caused by societal lockdown when the economy is ruined."

According to **Professor Karol Sikora**, an NHS consultant oncologist, there could be 50,000 excess deaths from cancer as a result of routine screenings being suspended during the lockdown in the UK.

Experts have also [warned](#) that there will be 1.4 million deaths globally from untreated TB infections due to the lockdown.

As we further previously [highlighted](#), a data analyst consortium in South Africa found that the economic consequences of the country's lockdown will lead to 29 times more people dying than the coronavirus itself.

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