

Meeting with Facebook (Meta), 7 June 2022, 17:00

Participants:

Facebook/Meta

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Commission:

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Topics: Metaverse, DMA, DSA, AI, telecom

Meta and the Commission discussed metaverse, including the definition. The Commission clarified that the new toolkit in the DSA and DMA applies to metaverse. Meta congratulated the Commission on the DSA. The framework has the ability to be flexible, and Meta underlined the need for the Commission to work closely with the companies involved to understand the implementation and development process.

According to Meta, metaverse is the next to develop, and Meta is looking into product development (fx horizon). Meta highlighted the importance of engaging with policymakers when developing metaverse products and services. Furthermore, Meta expressed concerns regarding the ability to keep in dialogue with the Commission. Meta wondered if there would be an expert team dealing with details of the regulations - and how to reach the specialist within the Commission. In addition, Meta expressed concerns about the structural challenges internal in the Commission related to the regulations, including the large number of stakeholders showing interest in the proposals and the short timelines.

On telecom infrastructure, Meta and the Commission discussed fair share of investment. Meta underlined that telecom has structural issues, and they are working on articles on the ecosystem. The Commission clarified that they are trying to map the problems related to the telecom infrastructure.

The Commission took notes of the points raised.