

## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

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By registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt

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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2017/2804

Dear Mr Schneider,

We refer to your e-mail dated 11/05/2017 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 11/05/2017 under the above mentioned reference number.

We confirm that to our best knowledge the FP7 and H2020 Human Brain Project grants are not used, neither directly nor indirectly, for funding the construction of the 'European Institute for Neuromorphic Computing' building in Heidelberg (see also the press release published by the University of Heidelberg where the funding sources are acknowledged<sup>1</sup>). Consequently, we regret to inform you that no documents were found that would correspond to the description given in your application.

Indeed, as specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution.

Given that no such documents have been identified, the Commission is not in a position to handle your request.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/presse/news2017/pm20170421\_spatenstich-fuer-das-european-institute-for-neuromorphic-computing.html.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Any confirmatory application would need to be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

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Yours faithfully,

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