Cabinet of Vice-President ANSIP - Minutes of Meeting

MEETING CONCLUSIONS

Title	"Tomorrowlab" International Executive Roundtable
Dater	04 September 2018
Participants	Ext:
	1. BNP Paribas Fortis
	2. ABB Benelux
	3. Belgocontrol
	4. Randstad
	5. G4S
	6. Mail & Retail bpost
	7. Randstad België
	8. OneSpan Belgium
	9. Living Tomorrow / TomorrowLab
	10. Advisory Board TomorrowLab
	COM: Andrus Ansip, Jörgen Gren
Issues raised	Topics:
& follow-up	
	Data protection: discussion around trust in the online environment as a
	key resource for a digital society. Increasing trust is the common
	objective. VP mentions that the new comprehensive data protection
	rulebook, the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) addresses this
	challenge. Discussion around the implementation of the GDPR in the
	companies present and how to deal with the issue of consent eg for
	employees.
	Free flow of data: data flows are increasing between countries. VP
	mentioned the need to address data localisation inside the European
	Union in due respect of the GDPR. This is why the Commission proposed
	the free flow of non-personal data initiative. The companies present
	were happy with the initiative and agreed that it was an important
	initiative also for their businesses.
	Research programmes: general discussion around the next MFF and
	digital investment. VP mentions the digital Europe programme (EUR 9.2
	billion from 2021 to 2027) and the research programmes in our MFF
	proposal. The VP puts this into the context of the investment in
	supercomputing powers and how we have been working with Member
	States to establish the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking and support the big
	data ecosystem. He also mentions the comprehensive Artificial
	Intelligence strategy for Europe and that an EU investment gap exists
	with the rest of the world. The companies support a strong digital focus
	on the EU funds.