



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR BUDGET

The Director-General

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BUDG.D.1/SD

Ms Carlotta Indiano  
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**Subject: Your application for access to documents – GestDem 2022/0032**

Dear Ms Indiano,

We refer to your e-mail of 22 December 2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 4 January 2022.

In your application, you request access to ‘a list of all meetings and/or calls held by the Directorate-General for Budget, including any Cabinet Members of the Commissioner Johannes Hahn and/or officials, during which the Italian Resilience and Recovery Plan was discussed together with any members of the Italian government’ for the period between November 2020 and April 2021. You also specify the type of documents relating to those meetings or calls that you would like to access.

As no meetings or discussions were held between Commissioner Hahn, members or his cabinet, staff of the Commission Directorate-General for Budget and members of the Italian government about the Italian Resilience and Recovery Plan in the period you refer to, we regret to inform you that the Commission does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application.

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 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, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by the Commission, the Commission is not in a position to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission  
Secretariat-General  
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)  
BERL 7/076  
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or by email to: [sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu](mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu)

Yours sincerely,

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