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**Subject: Your request for access to documents - GestDem 2022/1260**

Dear Mr Fanta,

We refer to your email of 1 March 2022 with which you introduced a request for access to documents, registered on 2 March 2022 under the above-mentioned reference number.

By your application, you requested access to the following:

*Under the right of access to documents in the EU treaties, as developed in Regulation 1049/2001, I am requesting documents which contain the following information:*

*- All documents explicitly mentioning or otherwise relating to the practice of cryptocurrency mining, as well as relating to the energy consumption of crypto-currencies such as Bitcoin or Ethereum. My request includes all communication with other EU officials, member state officials and stakeholders on the subject, including e-mails and minutes of meetings and briefing notes. This specifically is meant to include meeting minutes and follow-up exchanges on a call with Swedish and German officials on February 3, 2022.*

Due to the scope of your request, it has also been attributed to the Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology (DG CNECT) under request GestDem 2022/1252.

DG CNECT, replied to your request under their remit, identifying and disclosing the copy of the following document with reference ARES(2022)2060077 of 21/03/2022:

☐ Initiative on bitcoin/proof of work meeting held on 3 February 2022 (Ares(2022)1893225)

This is to confirm that DG ENER has no additional documentation with regard to the meeting of 3 February 2022 referred to in your request.

In addition, DG ENER identified and is disclosing the link to the following event organised by the IEA and attended by DG ENER colleagues, falling in the scope of your request:

☐ Blockchain applications: an energy perspective - Event - IEA:  
<https://www.iea.org/events/blockchain-applications-an-energy-perspective>

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Yours sincerely,

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