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**Subject: Your application for access to documents – EASE 2022/2963**

Dear Mr Holen,

We refer to your e-mail of 23 May 2022 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 23 May 2022 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to *all documentation, including but not limited to, attendance lists, agendas, background papers, minutes/notes and email correspondence about or summarising, the following meetings of the cabinet members of Commissioner Kadri Simson with multiple organisations:*

- 1. Meeting with Lightsource BP on 30/03/2022 on Solar Power Europe views on how to boost the manufacturing and deployment of solar PVs in the EU.*
- 2. Meeting with IOGP Europe on 28/03/2022 on the 8 March Commission communication, the ongoing work to diversify gas supplies and diminish the fossil fuels supplies from Russia, IOGP ability to help in this process.*
- 3. Meeting with Shell on 17/03/2022 on energy prices, security of supply of gas*

Your application concerns the following documents:

Nr.	Stakeholder	Ares	Date	Title
1	Shell	Ares(2023)541156	03/03/2022	MEETING REQUEST [SG] 17-18/03/2023 Brussels BE with Shell
2	Shell	Ares(2023)2944856	26/04/2023	MINUTES -Meeting SG-TMU

				17/03/2022 -Shell
3	IOGP	Ares(2022)895312	28/03/2022	MEETING REQUEST KS - Open date -With Dawn Summers, President of the IOGP European Board
4	IOGP	Ares(2023)775614	28/03/2022	[Re] MEETING REQUEST KS -Open date -With Dawn Summers, President of the IOGP European Board
5	IOGP	Ares(2022)3269571	28/03/2022	Minutes of the meeting 28/03/2022 between Kadri Simson and IOGP
6	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2021)7883468	30/03/2022	INVITATION KS 30-31/03/2022 Brussels
7	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2021)7883468	30/03/2022	Keynote at the SolarPower Summit + Solar CEO Meeting
8	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2023)834059	30/03/2022	[Re] INVITATION KS 30-31/03/2022 Brussels -Keynote at the SolarPower Summit + Solar CEO Meeting
9	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2023)834080	30/03/2022	SolarPower Europe -Solar CEO meeting -30th March - preparatory documents
10	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2022)1180450	16/02/2022	[CDP] Letter from the CEO of SolarPower Europe sharing their concerns over the Delegated Act on Additionality
11	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2022)1180450	16/02/2022	20220216 - SPE Letter to Ursula von der Leyen & Frans Timmermans - DA Additionality
12	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2022)1438201	25/02/2022	[CDP] SolarPowerEurope on the planned Communication on "A Joint European Action for more affordable, secure and sustainable energy"
13	SolarPower	Ares(2022)1438201	25/02/2022	SolarPower Europe_Communication A Joint

	Europe			European Action for more affordable, secure and sustainable energy
14	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2022)2165379	24/03/2022	[CDP] SolarPower Europe analysis -RePower EU
15	SolarPower Europe	Ares(2022)2165379	24/03/2022	SolarPower Europe_RePower Analysis_reaching solar TW level by2030

Having examined the documents requested under the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents, I have come to the conclusion that the documents listed above may be partially disclosed.

In fact, a complete disclosure of the identified documents is prevented by the exception concerning the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual outlined in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, because they contain the following personal data:

- the names/initials and contact information of Commission staff members not pertaining to the senior management;
- the names/initials and contact details of other natural persons.

Article 9(1)(b) of the Data Protection Regulation does not allow the transmission of these personal data, except if you prove that it is necessary to have the data transmitted to you for a specific purpose in the public interest and where there is no reason to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subject might be prejudiced. In your request, you do not express any particular interest to have access to these personal data nor do you put forward any arguments to establish the necessity to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest.

Consequently, I conclude that, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested documents, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

Access is granted to minutes of meetings with external parties. These documents were drawn up for internal use under the responsibility of the relevant service. They solely reflect the service's interpretation of the interventions made and do not set out any official position of the third parties to which the documents refer. They do not reflect the position of the Commission and cannot be quoted as such.

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 to the Secretariat-General of the Commission within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter. You can submit it in one of the following ways:

**by asking for a review via your portal<sup>1</sup> account** (available only for initial requests submitted via the portal account),

**or by mail:**

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Yours sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ec.europa.eu/transparency/documents-request>