Brussels, 20 September 2022

Meeting with [Name], [Title] Executive Board - ABP

ABP participants: [Name], [Name], [Name]

The meeting was a courtesy meeting, where the new ABP [Name] Executive Board [Name] asked to meet the Director-General for DG TAXUD.

ABP is a fund functioning as sort of benchmark for the public sector in the Netherlands. It is an investment fund with strong green and social objectives. ABP is very committed to ensuring that investments can contribute to a sustainable world, and that the interests of this generation are balanced with the wellbeing of the generations to follow. Its ambition is to lead by example in the world of institutional investors. ABP therefore closely follows the EU policy and notably what concerns the green transition and other ESG related matters, to ensure that their activity is aligned with the EU objectives. [Name] also flagged the possibility for ABP to organise an event on green taxation in 2023 and invited the Director-General for DG TAXUD to participate to the event.

DG Thomas thanked [Name] for the invitation and explained the activities of DG TAXUD, and notably the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism and the recast of the Energy Taxation Directive that the European Commission tabled as part of the 2021 Fit for 55 package. DG Thomas also invited [Name] to take contact with DG FISMA for ESG related matters.