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Flash Report: Meeting with Business Europe on industrial policy

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I met today with Business Europe Director Industrial Affairs) for an exchange of view on industrial policy and related issues.

In the context of the upcoming Green Deal, Business Europe has no concerns about the longer-term plans. However, they have concerns about two potential elements of the Green Deal: an earlier revision of the ETS mechanism without taking into account developments outside EU and a possible substantial reduction of the list of eligible sectors for covering the indirect ETS costs in the environmental & energy state aid rules.

Concerning industrial policy strategy, Business Europe considers the strategic value chain approach a new promising way of developing and implementing industrial strategy and would like to see it as an important part of the new industrial strategy. In this context, the approval of the batteries IPCEI involving countries such as Sweden, Finland and Poland is very welcome.

Concerning research and innovation, Business Europe national member organisations have contacted their heads of government to underline the importance of Horizon Europe and Digital Europe in the next MFF.

Concerning sustainable finance, they are concerned that the outcome of the trilogue would introduce new reporting obligations for industry.

Business Europe President Gattaz will meet President von der Leyen on 19 December and Commissioner Breton in January.