

EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE



DG Budget and Administration
The Director-General

Brussels, 04. 09. 2017
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Subject: Your occupational activity after leaving the EEAS

Dear Mr Sabathil,

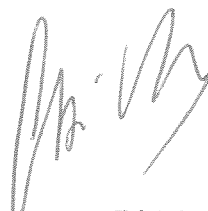
Following your notification of 28 July 2017 concerning your occupational activity after leaving the EEAS I am pleased to inform you that the Appointing Authority granted the necessary permission for you to sign a contract with EUTOP GmbH.

However, I wish to highlight – following the opinion of the Joint Committee – that the permission is subject to the following condition. In accordance with the third indent of Article 16 of the EU Staff Regulations, during the first twelve months of your contract, you are obliged to abstain from lobbying staff of the EEAS, the Commission and the Council on questions related to External Action, including trade and development cooperation.

Separately, I draw your attention to the fact that, according to Article 17(2) of the EU Staff Regulations, your obligation of confidentiality continues to apply without any limitation in time. As the Joint Committee pointed out in its recommendation, paragraph 5(1) of your draft work contract is incompatible with this obligation and, therefore, needs to be adjusted.

I would be grateful if you could send a copy of your duly modified contract, after signature, to the "Ethics" mailbox (ETHICS@eeas.europa.eu).

Best regards,



Gianmarco Di Vita

encs: Decision of authorization – with conditions

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