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Subject: Request for information

Dear Ms Meine,

Thank you for your e-mail of 12 October 2020. You addressed it to the Directorate-General for Communication. Following the assessment, it has been assigned to the Automotive and Mobility Industries Unit in Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW). The reply has been consulted also with Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology and Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport

As you did not request any specific documents, your e-mail has been treated as request for information in accordance with the Code of Good Administrative Behaviour.

You requested information on the following:

“What legislation does the EU have in the coming years on digitalisation, connected driving, access to data in the automotive sector, etc.? What concrete legislative changes does the EU plan to make in the coming years?”

Please find below some information.

Digitalisation

The Regulation on Data Governance, adopted on 25 November 2020, will create the basis for a new European way of data governance mechanism. The regulation will support the set-up and development of common European data spaces in strategic domains, involving both private and public players: health, environment, energy, agriculture, mobility, finance, manufacturing, public administration and skills. It aims at increasing trust in data sharing, strengthening mechanisms of data availability and overcoming technical obstacles to the reuse of data.

The Regulation is the first deliverable under the European strategy for data, which focuses on the need to put people first in developing technology, as well as on the need to defend and promote European values and rights in how we design, make and deploy technology in the real economy. The European strategy for data aims at creating a single market for data that will ensure Europe's global competitiveness and data sovereignty.

More information:

Main page: [European Data Governance](#)

Press release: [Commission proposes measures to boost data sharing and support European data spaces](#)

Memo: [Regulation on data governance – Questions and Answers](#)

IA and supporting study: [Impact Assessment report and support study accompanying the Proposal for a Regulation on Data Governance](#)

Connected driving

On 9 December 2020, the European Commission presented a [Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy](#), together with an [Action Plan](#) containing 82 initiatives that will guide our work in this area for the next four years.

Flagships 6 (Making connected and automated mobility a reality) and Flagship 7 (Innovation, Data and AI for smart mobility) are especially relevant to your request. They provide a full list of the legislation planned.

Access to data in the automotive sector

In order to ensure the level playing ground among all car-based services providers and ultimately enable better access to more such services to consumers, without compromising on safety, security and data protection, the Commission is working on a legislative initiative aiming at laying down a well-balanced framework to ensure access and use of data generated by vehicles. This initiative was announced in the Communication of 19 February 2020 “[A European strategy for data](#)”.

An open public consultation is scheduled to be launched in the first quarter of 2021, in order to collect factual information, views, opinions and experiences from a broad range of stakeholders and citizens.

Discussion is currently ongoing in the Commission Expert Group “[Access to vehicle data & cybersecurity](#)”.

I hope you find this information useful.

Yours faithfully,

Joanna Szychowska