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Digital Europe enquired about possible follow up to the roundtable of last year on covid impact on the digital ecosystem.

They also asked about the process after the presentation of the Digital Decade, including public consultation and involvement of SMEs

Cabinet Breton clarified that the exercise of last year was part of a broad discussion with all ecosystems to get input on the impact of the pandemic. On the digital decade, there will be a broad public consultation and public engagement, with public authorities, the general public, businesses, (SME digitisation is a crucial element of the Decade) and civil society organisations. On e-privacy Digital Europe shared their views on the text of the Council compromise. Cabinet Breton reiterated that the Commission does not comment on the texts of the other institutions and will play its role of honest broker in the legislative process