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Subject: Your application for access to documents (EASE 2022/7440)

Dear Madam,

We refer to your request registered on 30 December 2022 under the above-mentioned reference number.

We enclose the copies of the documents requested which include:

1. The official invitation letter, Ares(2022)3662126,
Registered under Ares(2022)8011225:
2. Update to a briefing request,
3. Briefing on data free flow with trust,
4. Briefing on Industrial policy, single market, single market emergency
instrument, raw materials,
5. Steering brief,
6. Table of contents,
7. Update to a briefing request, Ares(2022)8011230,
Registered under Ares number of the present letter:
8. E-mail exchange between Cabinet Vestager and BusinessEurope of 13
May 2022,
9. E-mail exchange between Cabinet Vestager and BusinessEurope of 20
May 2022.

In accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to documents, these documents may be partially disclosed. Redactions have been made for the following reasons:

Redactions on the ground of protecting the privacy and integrity of the individual (Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001)

Full disclosure is prevented by the exception concerning the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual outlined in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, because the documents contain personal data. Article 9(1)(b) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies does not allow the transmission of these personal data, except if you prove that it is necessary to have the data transmitted to you for a specific purpose in the public interest and where there is no reason to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subject might be prejudiced. In your request, you do not express any particular interest to have access to these personal data, nor show that you need have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest. Consequently, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested documents, as the need to obtain access to that personal data for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

Please note that, in addition, we are in the process of assessing the possibility to disclose several other documents which are, however, linked to a document originating from a third party, to the disclosure of which the third party in question has not agreed. We continue the consultation process, which should provide us with the basis for completing our assessment. We will come back to you once this process has been concluded.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review its position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission
Secretariat-General
Transparency, Document Management & Access to Documents (SG.C.1)
BERL 7/076
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Yours faithfully,

Electronically signed

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Annexes: Disclosed documents.

