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I assisted to a meeting between the Commissioner (Cab presence: Jakub Cebula) and The European Technology and Travel Services Association (ETTSA) today. ETTSA represents the interests of the online hotel booking platforms who are intermediaries between consumers and hotels.

The representatives of ETTSA expressed their support for the Commission's work on collaborative economy platforms and underlined the benefits of new business models in the short term rental market. The Communication is a good step forward but it would be necessary to follow-up with enforcement.

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The Commissioner explained her full agreement with the need to embrace new business models in the tourism sector. She had underlined this in her recent speech to the sector and promised to continue explaining this to these stakeholders. She supports sending EU-pilot letters to several MS but she cannot alone take such Commission decisions. However hopeful that there would be positive developments very soon.

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