



PRESIDENT

Mrs Helena DALLI

Commissioner for Equality
European Commission

Rue de la Loi 200,
1049 Brussels

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Dear Madam Dalli,

Cooperatives Europe is the European cross-sectoral organization representing more than 176.000 cooperative enterprises in Europe, from 34 European countries. Our members are diverse and active in all economic activities (industry & services, energy, housing, agriculture, banking, consumer and social innovation).

Since you have been entrusted with the role of Commissioner for Equality, we would like to manifest our support and kindly request for a meeting to discuss how the cooperative movement can support you in your mission. Throughout the years and in every socio-economic sector, cooperatives are vehicles to achieve gender equality in society. Cooperative enterprises also thrive for women empowerment by creating employment opportunities and facilitating women's access to business capital.

I would be honored to meet you at your earliest convenience to discuss how our organization can provide you with support in your work.

Thank you in advance for the opportunity to meet with you. We remain at your disposal for any further information you may need.

Yours sincerely,



Jean-Louis BANCEL
President of Cooperatives Europe