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Subject: Re: P2B Transparency Guidelines Update

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Hi [REDACTED]

Following up on the below, in particular so that we can prepare for the upcoming consultation, we would like to better understand the scope.

From reading the Communications "[Shaping Europe's digital future](#)", and "[A European Strategy for Data](#)", it appears from the outside perspective that your investigation into data access and market power will focus primarily on ensuring that markets remain open fair and contestable. However, from these communications, it is not clear what is meant by references to the "platform economy", and whether you are focusing on competition "on the platform" like the P2B regulation (i.e. between suppliers on the supply-side of the intermediation service), or rather contestability of markets where digital companies operate (e.g. retail for Amazon, content and advertising for FB/Google). Or is it both? I also watched [REDACTED] intervention on "Securing European Democracy with the Digital Services Act" (full session is accessible [here](#) from 2:00:50 until 2:51:23), and [REDACTED] mentions "contestability issues in the platforms' markets", but that to me is still quite unclear (depends on how you define the market?). Any clarity on this point would be greatly appreciated.

Also, would be grateful if you could clarify whether this consultation is the "sector inquiry" foreseen in "Shaping Europe's digital future", or whether that is something else entirely and unrelated to the above?

I'd be most grateful for a quick call perhaps to discuss if possible!

As always wishing you and your loved ones safety and health.

Best, [REDACTED]

On Mon, Mar 23, 2020 at 6:19 PM [REDACTED] [ccianet.org](mailto:[REDACTED]@ccianet.org)> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for the response and for clarifying expectations for the ranking guidelines.

From our end, we continue to engage with the Platform Observatory. We have had an interview with PPMI on data transfer and have a further interview with Open Evidence on digital advertising. We have not been invited for any further interviews with the Platform Observatory but if there's anything else where we could be helpful please let us know how to best contribute.

We understand the DG CNECT consultation related to data access and market power was originally intended for end of March (at least this is what I understood from [REDACTED] at a recent CERRE event I attended). We are working with Members to prepare. Given that many Members' bandwidth is

rather limited as a result of the crisis, any additional information you could already provide us on the scope, would be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks again, [REDACTED]

On Mon, Mar 23, 2020 at 5:45 PM [REDACTED] [ec.europa.eu](mailto:[REDACTED]@ec.europa.eu)> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED],

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Finally, on speaking again in the near future, I would suggest to wait until processes stabilise over the coming weeks, and until the actual consultations will be out, such that we can have an informed discussion. In the meantime, we can of course continue exchanging via email.

Best regards,

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Lastly, I was wondering if we could perhaps have a brief chat some time about P2B and your current thinking in light of what was published in February regarding the DSA and other digital workstreams. I also understand that DG CNECT will soon launch a consultation on data portability and market power. Any further clarity on what to expect for the next year would be much appreciated. We would like to be as helpful as possible in conveying our perspective to you and your team, and also ensuring that our Members properly understand your concerns and objectives as well.

Many thanks again,

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