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**Objet: Follow up meeting Confindustria** 

## Dear Valère,

Let me thank again for the meeting we had last week. As promised, I am writing to you to organize a follow up on the main challenges the Italian industries will face in the coming years in relation to some of the main Commission policies proposals. Trying to be concrete and effective, I would like to touch upon three issues:

- The path towards a sustainable industry, with a focus on the role chemicals will play in the achievement of the EU green objectives and the actual impact of the energy transition process on manufacturing supply chains.
- The automotive sector. As you know this industrial sector is facing concerns on different dossiers, in which DG GROW is involved, such as Real Driving Emissions (RDE), Euro 7 and Euro VII air quality pollutant emission limits for respectively Light and Heavy Duty Vehicles, the level of legal uncertainty regarding the implementation of the General Safety Regulation (GSR) and the need for an adjustment of the Stage V transitional provisions of the NRMM. In each of these dossier the European industry is leading at global level for innovation and investments, and still among the first employers sector in the EU;
- The "Farm to Fork" (F2F) strategy. We think that this strategy should recognize when it comes to the effects on climate, biodiversity or environment that there are no sustainable or unsustainable sectors, but sustainable and unsustainable business practices. Hence, the strategy should focus on production methods, not on products/sectors. Likewise, when it comes to healthy eating it should focus on diets and not on single nutrients/ingredients or foods: a healthy, balanced diet means eating a wide variety of foods in the right proportions.

Concerning the format of the meeting we would like to involve a limited number of stakeholders from our side (two or three persons for each issue for the sectorial associations or companies). But of course this is only my proposal.

The idea would be to have an open dialogue to strike together the best collective balance, taking into account the current situation.

I would propose some tentative dates and time slots to set the meeting, please let me know if one of this could fit your agenda, otherwise feel free to propose other options.

- 18 March anytime from 9.00 to 1.00 or 4.30 alle 6.00
- 19 March anytime from 9.00 alle 1.00 or 4.00 alle 6.00

- 22 March anytime from 3.30 to 5.00 I look forward to hearing from you. Best Regards,



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