



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology

The Director General

Brussels, 22 December 2017

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Dear Sir/Madam,

In response to your expression of interest to the call for applications for the selection of members of the High-Level Expert Group on Fake News, I have the honour to inform you that you have been selected as a member of the Group.

As you know, the goal of the Group is to advise the Commission on all issues arising in relation to the spread of false information across traditional and social media and on how to cope with its social and political consequences.

I would be delighted if you would accept my invitation.

Our timetable is very tight and we foresee the first meeting to be held in Brussels on 15th of January 2018 from 09:30 to 17:30 in the presence of Commissioner Mariya Gabriel. Two consecutive meetings are provisionally planned for the 7th and 23rd of February 2018. In view of this timeline, we would very much appreciate if you could confirm your availability **by the 8th of January 2018** to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (CNECT-EG-ON-FAKENEWS@ec.europa.eu), who are at your disposal for more information.

I consider your contribution to be crucial for addressing the complex challenge raised by the spread of online disinformation and its social and political consequences for Europe. I am looking forward to a reach and fruitful exchange.

Yours sincerely,

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Roberto VIOLA