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Dear Mr Vandenberghe,

Last week, on 22 June, you made a very interesting intervention to the CLG Europe group about the European Commission's Next Generation EU Plan, and we would like to follow up with you, if you would be available for a call in the coming weeks. We were particularly interested in your comments about bringing together the green and digital transitions, and the observation that right now these are different "policy planets".

I am [REDACTED] in Microsoft's European Government Affairs team in Brussels, working with my colleague, [REDACTED], on Sustainability Policy. We joined the CLG Europe meeting last week as prospective members. At Microsoft, we share the goal of supporting the growth of the European economy through the power of technology and digital transformation, while also tackling the urgent carbon problem the world is facing. Microsoft is committed to become [carbon negative by 2030](#), to power all of our data centers with 100% renewable energy by 2025, and to help our European customers and partners reach ambitious targets.

We would appreciate the opportunity to continue the conversation with you and learn how we can best support these efforts at EU level, and the role you see for the digital sector in bringing these worlds closer together. If you are available for a meeting via video call, please let us know of any potential time slots or we would be happy to suggest some.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you,

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