

## EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE



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**Subject:**      **Your request for access to documents**  
**Our ref:**        2021/125

Dear Ms. Bulic Cojocariu,

I would like to thank you for your confirmatory application of 29 September 2021, following your request for access to documents (EEAS ref: 2021/125).

I have re-examined your initial request, dated 30 July 2021, where you requested access to documents which contain *“the details of all EEAS managed projects concerning persons with disabilities (including children with disabilities) in the programming period 2014 – 2020.”*

In our reply of 23 September 2021, we informed you that on the basis of the information you provided, a search for documents has been conducted in the EEAS filing systems and document management databases. However, no documents matching your request have been identified.

I hereby confirm that the EEAS does not hold any document matching your request.

I would also like to inform you that the EEAS does not manage projects concerning persons with disabilities. The European Commission is in charge of implementation of projects under Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA) or Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI).

I would like to precise that the EEAS, as a separate administrative entity from the European Commission, does not hold documents of the European Commission on *“projects concerning persons with disabilities (including children with disabilities) in the programming period 2014 – 2020.”*

I hope this information will clarify your concerns. If not, you have a right, in accordance with Article 8 of the Regulation, to institute court proceedings against the European External Action Service or make a complaint to the Ombudsman, under the conditions laid down in Articles 263 and 228 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU respectively.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Di Vita', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Gianmarco Di Vita