

Mr. Antonio Tajani President European Parliament 60 Rue Wiertz BE - 1047 Brussels BELGIUM

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Dear President, Shan Anhanin

We are writing to congratulate you on your election as President of the European Parliament.

As you know, European companies strongly believe in the European Union. They want to invest in Europe and generate more growth and more jobs but they need a competitive business environment to be able to do so. The European Parliament plays a crucial role in helping to set the conditions for this framework. BusinessEurope, its 40 member federations and companies will continue to strongly engage with you, the political groups, committees, and individual MEPs.

As a Social Partner and main European business federation, you can count on us as a reliable, pro-European partner.

In a global economy, European countries must join forces. By 2050, none of the European member states are projected to be amongst the world's largest economies. Therefore, we only have the choice between succeeding together or becoming insignificant separately.

We are currently preparing our position in view of the Malta and Rome meetings and will be sending you a copy as soon as it is ready. We look forward to meeting you soon and wish you all the best with this new position.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Marcegaglia

President

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