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**Mr Sven Giegold**  
**Member of the European Parliament**  
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**Sent via email**

Dear Mr. Giegold,

Thank you for your email of 8 March 2016 as regards the decision of the ECON Committee of 23 February 2016 to “[Calls] on EIOPA and ESMA to follow EBA in greater transparency by disclosing all its meetings with third party stakeholders” (paragraph 14).

Both our authorities are committed to meeting the highest standards of transparency, including transparency of stakeholder interactions. This point was emphasised also during our hearings last November in the European Parliament. We would like to emphasise once more the transparency initiatives already undertaken, such as publishing our calendars and those of our Executive Directors, which include information on meetings with stakeholders. In addition, we publish contacts held in the form of open hearings, and disclose the names of those stakeholders that respond to the consultations.

Considering the wish expressed by ECON, we can confirm that we are planning to expand the disclosure to all staff meetings with third party stakeholders. We are now carefully assessing the details and timing of such a system, which would also need to take into account particular legal requirements, e.g. regarding data protection. We expect to share with you a more detailed reply before the end of the 2nd quarter. We are at your disposal for any further discussions.

Yours sincerely,



Gabriel Bernardino  
Chair of EIOPA



Steven Maijor  
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cc: Andrea Enria, Chair of EBA