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Directorate C: Rule of Law, Fundamental Rights and Democracy **The Director**

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Subject: Invitation to the next meeting of the Commission's Expert group against SLAPP joined by the focal points on SLAPP and Member States representatives (remote format)

Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the pleasure to invite you to the <u>next meeting of the Expert Group against SLAPP</u> which will be held **virtually on Monday 9th September 2024.** (indicatively between 10.00 and 12.00). A link will be shared in due course.

Member States' focal points had participated to the eighth meeting of the Expert Group against SLAPP of 21 November 2022. Since then, important developments have taken place in the fight against SLAPP, such as the entry into force of the Anti-SLAPP Directive¹ in May 2024. More and more Member States have now appointed Focal Points.

The goal of extending this expert group meeting's invitation to Member States Focal Points will be to introduce recently established national Focal Points and exchange best practices and information related to Member States' work on support mechanisms.

Questions about the meeting can be directed to the functional mailbox <u>JUST-ANTI-SLAPP-EXPERT-GROUP@ec.europa.eu</u>.

We would be grateful for a confirmation of your participation by **26 August 2024 ideally via the AGM system**.

We are looking forward to the continuation of our meaningful exchanges at the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Julien MOUSNIER

¹ Directive (EU) 2024/1069 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 on protecting persons who engage in public participation from manifestly unfounded claims or abusive court proceedings ('Strategic lawsuits against public participation'), available at the following link: <u>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32024L1069</u>