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Dear President,

Better Regulation at the European Parliament: sustaining the commitment

The business community strongly supports the Better Regulation agenda which needs to be continued and deepened. At the start of the new political cycle, Commission President Ursula von der Leyen introduced the so-called “1in - 1out principle” as additional commitment by the European Commission to address regulatory costs and burdens at EU level, which can help advance the EU’s Better Regulation agenda. That being said, it could be a complementary tool *alongside the existing EU better regulation tools*.

Better Regulation is about improving the quality of policy and law-making and ensuring that EU-rules are evidence-based. It is also about ensuring that decisions are made transparently, and stakeholders are involved throughout the decision-making process, which can greatly contribute to the legitimacy and accountability in EU governance. Europe’s green and digital transition ambitions, to which the business community is committed, can only be a success if we work on this basis.

It is important that Better Regulation principles are applied by all actors throughout the whole legislative cycle. With a number of legislative initiatives landing on the table of the co-legislators, BusinessEurope invites the European Parliament political groups to adhere to the Better Regulation principles and the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making, and shares the [Leaflet](#) (also at annex) giving a short overview of the available tools for Members of the European Parliament, which we hope will be useful in daily legislative work of your group’s members.

Yours sincerely,

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