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From: Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Ms Martine DEPREZ, Director

To: Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

Subject: Letter from the Secretary General of the European Commission concerning the appointment of four members of ESAC

Delegations will find attached a letter from the Secretary General of the European Commission addressed to the Secretary General of the Council of the European Union concerning the appointment of four members of the European Statistical Advisory Committee (ESAC).

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The Secretary-General

Brussels,
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Subject: Consultation on new members of the European Statistical Advisory Committee (ESAC)

Dear Alessandro, Dear Thérèse,

The European Statistical Advisory Committee (ESAC), was established by Decision No 234/2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 to assist the European Parliament, the Council, and the Commission in ensuring that user requirements and the costs borne by information providers and producers are taken into account in coordinating the strategic objectives and priorities of the Community's statistical information policy.

The Committee consists of 24 members. In accordance with Article 4.1(a) of the above-mentioned Decision on ESAC, twelve members are appointed by the Commission after consulting the European Parliament and the Council. With a view to their appointment, each Member State is invited to provide the Commission with a list of three candidates with a well-established qualification in the field of statistics.

Moreover, there are 11 ESAC members appointed directly by the institutions and bodies to which they belong. The Director-General of Eurostat is member *ex-officio*.

As the term of four ESAC members appointed by the Commission came to an end in December 2025, the Commission has collected from the Member States their proposals for candidates, analysed them and established a list of four candidates for the opinion of the Council before the appointment by the Commission.

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The following candidates are proposed to be appointed by the Commission:

1. Ms Roxane Silberman, France (second term);
2. Mr Lucian Liviu Albu, Romania;
3. Ms Mojca Bavdaž, Slovenia;
4. Mr Godwin Mifsud, Malta.

The CVs of the preselected candidates are attached.

I would be very grateful if you were to provide us with your opinion by 25 June 2026.

If we do not receive any comments from you by this date, we will assume that you agree with our proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Ilze JUHANSONE

Enclosures: CVs of preselected candidates

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