



*Brussels, 8 August 2024*

**RE: Joint Industry Request To Extend Deadline For Trustworthy General-Purpose AI Consultation**

Dear Mr Viola,  
Dear Ms Sioli,  
Dear Mr Gross,

We, the undersigned industry associations, represent developers and deployers of artificial intelligence (AI), including general-purpose AI. We welcome the opportunity to contribute to the AI Office consultation on trustworthy general-purpose AI<sup>1</sup> launched on 30 July and open until 10 September 2024.

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<sup>1</sup> European Commission, 'AI Act: Have Your Say on Trustworthy General-Purpose AI', 30 July 2024, available at: <https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/consultations/ai-act-have-your-say-trustworthy-general-purpose-ai>.

Given that the proper implementation of the AI Act's rules on general-purpose AI will be crucial to the success of the European AI ecosystem, including for the companies we represent, our aim is to provide high-quality responses and constructive contributions to this consultation, the results of which will contribute to the drafting of the future Code of Practice for GPAI model providers. The six-week deadline for responding to this consultation during the summer recess poses significant challenges and limits the ability of our associations to provide meaningful contributions.

We therefore kindly request an extension of the deadline for responses to the consultation by at least two weeks. As trade associations, our contributions reflect the positions of the broader industry and require significant information collection and coordination with our respective member companies. This additional time will allow us to fully reflect the positions of the wider industry, keeping in mind that companies themselves need time to prepare their respective responses and input to our positions. We are mindful of the short timeline for the implementation of the GPAI model rules but believe that quality should prevail over speed.

We trust that you will find this request reasonable and in line with the European Commission's Better Regulation commitment to streamline and facilitate stakeholders' contributions, including by leaving stakeholders enough time to provide responses and taking holiday periods into account.<sup>2</sup>

We thank you for your consideration and look forward to supporting the AI Office in achieving its tasks and objectives under the AI Act.

Sincerely,

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<sup>2</sup> Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions, 'Better Regulation: Joining forces to make better laws', 14 April 2021, p. 5 (incl. footnote 25), available at: [https://commission.europa.eu/document/199176cf-6c4e-48ad-a9f7-9c1b31bbbd09\\_en](https://commission.europa.eu/document/199176cf-6c4e-48ad-a9f7-9c1b31bbbd09_en).