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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

**Subject: Support to the Fitness Check of the EU Regulation on Trade in Seal Products and the EU Seal Pups Directive**

DG Environment has commissioned a support contract to assess the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and EU added value of the Regulation on Trade in Seal Products and of the Seal Pups Directive, as well as their socio-economic impact and their impact on the seal populations within and outside the EU.

This contract has been awarded to COWI A/S (Parallelvej 2, 2800 Kongens Lyngby, Denmark), in association with Milieu Consulting SRL and Technopolis Consulting Group Belgium SRL.

In the framework of the Fitness Check, the Commission will launch, at the beginning of May, a public consultation and a call for evidence, which will remain open for 12 weeks on the Commission [Have your Say portal](#).

Our contractors will also perform individual interviews with a selection of key stakeholders, and we would be most grateful if you could be available for such targeted interview.

We would also encourage you to contribute to the public consultation and the call for evidence, and to disseminate the information to your contacts.

Thank you beforehand for your kind cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

(E-signed)  
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