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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
Subject: Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (High Level) on 10 November 2026
- *Approval*

1. At the meeting of the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (High Level) on 10 November 2026, the members will exchange views on the topic of ‘Mobilising Institutional Capital for European Scaleups’.
2. The Chair of the Working Party would like to invite the representatives of Scale Ireland (transparency register number: 3351409100544-10) to this meeting. The external speaker would have the opportunity to share his experience of addressing the persistent scaleup finance gap, identifying triggers that encourage private venture capitalists to deploy capital, and using data and evidence to clarify complex risk-sharing principles into clear options to inform policy development. These insights would feed into the exchange of views between delegations on how to mobilise capital for European scaleups.
3. The Working Party Chair considers that this invitation is in the interest of the Council and in line with the framework applicable to the occasional presence of third parties, including interest representatives, at meetings of the Council or of its preparatory bodies consolidated in the Comments on the Council’s Rules of Procedure.

4. Considering the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of the third party mentioned above at the meeting of the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (High Level) on 10 November 2026.
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