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Sustainable consumption of goods – promoting the right to repair and reuse

The Coalition Classifieds Marketplaces Europe (**"Coalition"**) is a group of EU headquartered companies, including Adevinta, OLX Group, and Schibsted, operating online classifieds platforms that connect buyers and sellers to safely, easily, and conveniently exchange goods and services **in their local communities**. From furniture to fashion, from cars to collectibles, from real estate to jobs.

The Coalition welcomes the opportunity to give feedback to the public consultation and call for evidence on the right to repair. As Classifieds Marketplaces, we foster a culture of reuse and repair, given that consumers and businesses sell and buy second-hand goods on our platforms. Circular consumption and extending the lifespan of products is in our DNA. By giving previously owned goods a new purpose, we help to extend the lifecycle of products and allow consumers to make a positive impact on the circular economy.

We are of the view that with the European Commission promoting sustainable consumption of goods by promoting repair and reuse the opportunities to increase the take-up of second-hand goods and repaired products will be on the rise. As classifieds marketplaces, we provide the right platforms for all to sell and buy these products. We, therefore, support the main objective of this initiative, to encourage consumers to use consumer goods for a longer time, by repairing defective goods and by purchasing more second-hand and refurbished goods.

Recently, also the European Parliament has called upon the European Commission to consider repair requirements in upcoming files that govern product design and consumer rights, from the Sustainable Products Initiative to the Right to Repair. This might include measures such as labelling to inform consumers about repairability, furthering the life cycle of products, or incentivizing consumers and traders alike who favour repairs and second-hand goods. Encouraging people to consume more sustainably and reduce waste fits our ambitious efforts to foster a circular economy to help mitigate climate change, and we, therefore, support these initiatives.