

Conseil régional

European Commission Rue de la Loi, 170 1040 Brussels - Belgium

Saint-Ouen, France, 25th November 2021

Object: Support letter for the NoiseLessPV Project

Dear Sir or Madam,

I, Cédric Guillon-Lavocat, fully entitled to do so, in my capacity as Deputy General Director in charge of European Affairs, Tourism and International Cooperation, confirm that Ile-de-France Region expresses its support for the *NoiseLessPV* project. This project is to be proposed under the Life Program, in order to demonstrate the potential of an innovative PhotoVoltaic Noise Barrier (SunScreen) to fight Noise troubles for the well-being of city dwellers and the renewable energy production.

Ile-de-France Region has set ambitious objectives to put renewable energy production at the heart of regional projects, though its Regional Climate and Energy Strategy approved in July 2018. Indeed, this strategy targets for 2030 to increase the share of renewable energies to 40% of regional consumption (11% in 2018) and to double the amount of renewable energy produced in Ile-de-france. Moreover, noise is a very common source of annoyance in Île-de-France due to the high concentration of housing and the exceptional density of transport infrastructures. The Region significantly finances Bruitparif, a noise observatory in Île-de-France which gathers noise data, supports stakeholders in their actions to reduce noise, raises awareness and provides information on this subject.

This project will experiment the solution in three sites to demonstrate the noise reduction, the technical and economic feasibility of the solution, the renewable energy production performance, the improvement of city dwellers health and well-being and the sustainability of the solution. It will contribute to find solutions for local challenges that are encountered by many urban areas in Europe.

I therefore support the *NoiseLessPV* project, which is fully in line with the Region's policy approach on noise and greenhouse gas reduction, and I hope that it will be encouraged by the European Commission.

Cédric Guillon-Lavocat

Deputy General Director in charge of European Affairs, Tourism and International Cooperation