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The Danish Government's response to the public consultation on short term rentals initiative

Denmark welcomes the EU-Commission's initiative on examining the need of an approach at EU level towards short term rentals (STR's) for recreational purposes. The Danish Government agrees with the Commission that e.g. the examination of the need across EU to secure access to systematic and consistent data is important and relevant. Such data enables the authorities to identify the landlord and for how long and how often the STR's take place.

The said data is necessary for the public authorities to ensure an effective enforcement of the national rules pertaining to the subject matter. Securing compliance with national rules on STR's is essential in order to secure a balanced and sustainable housing market and tourism sector.

It is furthermore important that possible EU rules only pertains to the short term rentals and fully respects the principle of subsidiarity, for example in relation to urban planning.

Denmark would like to point to the fact that professional rental of private housing (primary as well as secondary) by the private owner/tenant for recreational purposes requires a permit, which very rarely is issued.

Best regards

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