3. Furthermore, the General Court also failed to take sufficient account of the overwhelming public interest in access to the environmental information at issue, as demonstrated by the appellant.

(2) Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents, OJ 2001 L 145, p. 43.

# Request for a preliminary ruling from the Amtsgericht Erding (Germany) lodged on 19 October 2018 — F. v Koninklijke Luchtvaart Maatschappij NV

(Case C-656/18)

(2019/C 16/37)

Language of the case: German

### Referring court

Amtsgericht Erding

### Parties to the main proceedings

Applicant: F.

Defendant: Koninklijke Luchtvaart Maatschappij NV

The case was removed from the Register of the Court of Justice by order of the Court of 7 November 2018.

## Action brought on 30 October 2018 — European Commission v Kingdom of Belgium

(Case C-676/18)

(2019/C 16/38)

Language of the case: French

#### **Parties**

Applicant: European Commission (represented by: M. Condou-Durande, C. Cattabriga and G. von Rintelen, acting as Agents)

Defendant: Kingdom of Belgium

### Form of order sought

The applicant claims that the Court should:

- declare that, by failing to adopt, by 30 September 2016, all the laws, regulations and administrative provisions to comply with Directive 2014/36/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014, (¹) or, in any event, by failing to notify such laws, regulations and provisions to the Commission, the Kingdom of Belgium has failed to fulfil its obligations under Article 28(1) of that directive;
- order the Kingdom of Belgium, pursuant to Article 260(3) TFEU, to pay a periodic penalty payment of EUR 49 906,50 per day into an account to be notified by the Commission from the date of delivery of the judgment in the present case for failure to fulfil the obligation to notify the measures transposing Directive 2014/36/EU;
- order the Kingdom of Belgium to pay the costs.

<sup>(</sup>¹) Regulation (EC) No 1367/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 September 2006 on the application of the provisions of the Aarhus Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters to Community institutions and bodies, OJ 2006 L 264, p. 13.