

LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE
93RD MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 16 SEPTEMBER 2021

Agenda item	Outcome	Comments
AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The Chair welcomed participants and new alternate Management Board (MB) members since the June meeting. The Chair also highlighted changes at EEA and the MB Secretariat.	<p>The MB has new alternate members from Latvia and Sweden.</p> <p>All six high-level representatives from the Western Balkans were invited to this meeting as observers, given that the Eionet modernisation exercise will shape the cooperation within Eionet in the years to come.</p> <p>Luc Bas joined the EEA as head of the Coordination and Strategy programme.</p> <p>Jasmiina Laurmaa resumes her role in the MB Secretariat.</p>
FOR ADOPTION		
1	Agenda of the 93 rd Management Board meeting	The Management Board (MB) adopted the agenda of the meeting.
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
2	MB Decision list 92 nd meeting (17 June 2021)	The MB adopted the decision list of the 92 nd meeting.
3	Update by the Management Board Chair and Executive Director	<p>The MB took note of the update by the Chair.</p> <p>Written procedures since June:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Comments by the MB to the Eurostat work programme will be incorporated in the updated programme to be adopted by the MB in December. - European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change: the MB was consulted on the approach proposed for the designation of members of the Advisory Board, the draft call for expressions of interest and the Management Board written procedure for the establishment of the Evaluation Committee. <p>The next step in relation to the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change is the appointment of the members of the Evaluation Committee. EEA will launch the call in the coming weeks. The Committee will include the EEA Executive Director, the MB Chair to represent the MB, as well as some members of the EEA Scientific Committee.</p> <p>The Bureau decision list was shared ahead of the meeting.</p> <p>Executive Director update:</p>



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	<p>Bureau meeting 15 September:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The main purpose of the meeting was to prepare for the MB meeting. - The Bureau strongly supported the work of the Management Board Advisory Committee (MBAC) on Eionet mapping and EEA and Eionet members including reflections on the best format and structure for Eionet in the future, as well as good guidance for the mapping exercise. - Rather than transactional changes in Eionet in the member states, the Bureau was in favour of a real transformation that adds value. - The Bureau welcomed the mapping exercise at the national level. A recommendation on how the MBAC can continue in 2022 on implementation aspects will be presented at the December MB meeting, opening it up to other interested countries. - EEA will provide updates on Copernicus to the MB on a yearly basis, including on its usage at national level. - In line with the Better Regulation guidelines, the Commission will launch a review of the EEA in the coming months. - A paper on the selection procedure for the next EEA Executive Director will be presented to the MB in December, considering the end of the current mandate mid-2023. <p>The MB took note of the update by the Executive Director.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EEA is moving to a new normal given the suspension of all Danish restriction measures in relation to COVID-19. - EEA will present priorities for the coming years as part of the new Single Programming Document at the December MB. - Copernicus brings in opportunities for the EEA as well as Eionet partners to contribute significantly on monitoring and reporting in support of the Green Deal and the 8th Environment Action Programme. - One concern on resources is that although sanction has been given for new resources for the EEA, this does not include resources for support functions which are stretched. - Closer collaboration with other EU agencies - Global level: EEA works closely with the international resource panel.

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<p>4 Management Board Advisory Committee on Eionet mapping of resources: report and recommendations (including country presentations)</p>	<p>The MB recognised the excellent work done by the Management Board Advisory Committee (MBAC) on Eionet mapping. The MB committed to initiating and steering discussions on the mapping of Eionet in their countries based on the guidance developed by the MBAC.</p> <p>The MB held group discussions on country needs to modernise Eionet and how countries can benefit from common guidance and best practices in modernising Eionet.</p>	<p>MB members are welcome to contact members of the MBAC for support in the mapping exercise.</p> <p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MB members to initiate and steer mapping exercises in their countries, the progress to be reported by mid-November 2021. - Discussion on implementation at December MB meeting
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	The MB welcomed the presentation by Italy on their Eionet structure and plans for the mapping of Eionet.	- EEA-Eionet network event in March 2023 to celebrate achievements and outcomes of the transformation of Eionet. The presentations by the Chair of the MBAC and by Italy will be shared after the meeting.
FOR DECISION AND GUIDANCE (PRE-PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)		
5	90 th Bureau meeting 15 September 2021: Decision list, including: A. Review of Eionet Groups B. Review of Eionet Core Data flows C. Review of Eionet: functions and roles	A. The Management Board endorsed the proposed structure for future groups within the Eionet network, pending clarification on biodiversity groups. The MB proposed two ways forward: settle on one group on biodiversity, or on two groups with clarification on what is in and out of the scope of both groups. The MB also endorsed the proposed overall working methods and terminology, pending some additional terminology changes. B. The MB endorsed the updated list of Eionet core data flows for reporting from 2022 onwards. C. The MB provided guidance on the proposed review of the Eionet functions and roles.
		The MB proposed to rename Eionet working groups to ad hoc groups and Eionet subgroups to expert or thematic groups. EEA will work on more engaging wording for both. Several MB members supported a proposal that the Eionet group on green economics/finance would start as an ad hoc group to allow for flexible participation depending on which countries are interested in joining. The presentation by the EEA Executive Director and senior management will be shared after the meeting.
FOR INFORMATION		
6	Feedback from Management Board members	The MB thanked the Chair of the MB Advisory Committee on Eionet mapping and Italy for their valuable interventions.

The meeting closed at 14:00.

Approved by the EEA Management Board at the 93rd Management Board meeting

16 September 2021

[Signed]

Laura Burke
Chair, EEA Management Board

Annexes

Annex 1: Final agenda of 93rd Management Board meeting, 16 September 2021

Annex 2: Participants list, 93rd Management Board meeting, 16 September 2021

Annex 1:

**Agenda of the 93rd Management Board meeting
16 September 2021, (10:30-14:00 CEST), video conference on Microsoft Teams**

AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS
FOR ADOPTION
1. Adoption of draft agenda
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK
2. MB decision lists: 92nd meeting (17 June 2021)
3. Update by the Management Board Chair and Executive Director
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4. Management Board Advisory Committee on Eionet mapping of resources: report and recommendations (including country presentations)
FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)
5. 90 th Bureau meeting 15 September 2021: Decision list, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Review of Eionet Groups¹ B. Review of Eionet Core Data flows C. Review of Eionet: functions and roles
FOR INFORMATION
6. Feedback from Management Board members

¹ Formerly known as National Reference Centres (NRCs)



Annex 2: Participants list, 93rd Management Board meeting, Thursday 16 September 2021, 10:30–14:00 CEST, video conference

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert)
Austria	Georg Rebernik	Alternate member
Belgium	Michiel Van Peteghem	Member
Bulgaria	Rositsa Karamfilova-Blagova	Member
Bulgaria	Tanya Vladimirova	Expert
Croatia	Branimir Pavlinec	Alternate member
Cyprus	Irene Constantinou	Alternate member
Czech Republic	Michal Pastvinsky	Member
Denmark	Jakob Møller Nielsen	Member
Denmark	Henrik Hedeman Olsen	Alternate member
Estonia	Margit Martinson	Member
Finland	Tanja Suni	Member
France	Diane Simiu	Member
France	Régis Farret	Expert
Germany	Julia Werner	Member
Greece	Petros Varelidis	Member
Hungary	Ildiko Fieder	Expert
Hungary	Zita Gellér	Alternate member
Iceland	Bergþóra Guðmundsdóttir	Member
Ireland	Laura Burke	Chair, member
Italy	Alessandro Bratti	Member
Italy	Luca Demicheli	Expert
Latvia	Kristine Kazerovska	Alternate member
Lithuania	Aldona Margerienė	Alternate member
Luxembourg	André Weidenhaupt	Member
Luxembourg	Paul Rasqué	Alternate member
Luxembourg	Eric De Brabanter	Expert
Malta	Sergio Tartaglia	Expert
Netherlands	Marieke Spijkerboer	Member
Netherlands	Kees Schotten	Expert
Norway	Mari Bjørhei	Expert
Poland	Katarzyna Wiech	Alternate member
Poland	Malgorzata Bednarek	Expert
Portugal	Nuno Lacasta	Member
Portugal	Águeda Silva	Expert
Romania	Marilena Doncuta	Alternate member
Slovakia	Katarína Belobradová	Member
Slovakia	Michal Maco	Alternate member
Slovenia	Barbara Bernard Vukadin	Alternate member
Spain	Alberto Campos	Expert
Sweden	Anna Otmalm	Member
Sweden	Ninni Lundblad	Expert
Switzerland	Martine Rohn-Brossard	Alternate member
Switzerland	Nicolas Perritaz	Expert
Turkey	Mehrali Ecer	Alternate member
Turkey	Fatma Nur Cebecioglu	Expert
Designated by the EP	Klaus Jacob	Alternate member
Designated by the EP	Lena Neij	Member
Designated by the EP	Fernando Valladares	Alternate member
Designated by the EP	Tomas Cajthalm	Alternate member
EC – DG ENV	Gilles Gantelet	Member
EC – JRC	Greet Janssens-Maenhout	Observer

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert)
EC – DG RTD	Jose Jimenez-Mingo	Observer
EEA	Hans Bruyninckx	EEA SMT
EEA	Soren Nielsen	EEA SMT
EEA	Katja Rosenbohm	EEA SMT
EEA	Chris Steenmans	EEA SMT
EEA	Martin Adams	EEA SMT
EEA	Jock Martin	EEA SMT
EEA	Eva Jensen	EEA SMT
EEA	Luc Bas	EEA SMT
EEA	Riyong Kim	EEA SMT
EEA	Milan Chrenko	EEA CAS
EEA	Malene Bruun	EEA CAS
EEA	Rasa Narkeviciute	Staff committee
EEA	Marisa Turanzas	MB Secretariat
EEA	Jasmiina Laurmaa	MB Secretariat
EEA	Pia Schmidt	MB Secretariat
EEA	Dana Bjurner	MB Secretariat
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Senad Oprasic	Observer
Kosovo ²	Afrim Berisha	Observer
Montenegro	Milan Gazdic	Observer
North Macedonia	Kaja Shukova	Observer
Serbia	Filip Radovic	Observer

² This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence