Decision EEA/MB/2022/024

LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE 97TH MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 8 DECEMBER 2022

| Agenda item | | Outcome | Comments | |
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| | AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS | The Management Board (MB) welcomed new members that were nominated since the new meeting, as well as the representative from Albania. The MB also welcomed the observer from lpsos, the contractor in charge for the EEA evaluation 2017-2021. | Albania took part in the meeting as part of the rotating observership of the Western Balkan countries in MB meetings. | |
| | FOR ADOPTION | | | |
| 1 | Agenda of the 97 th Management Board meeting FOR INFORMATION AND | The Management Board (MB) adopted the agenda of the meeting. | | |
| | FEEDBACK | | | |
| 2 | MB decision list: 96 th meeting (16 June 2022) | The MB adopted the decision list of the 96 th meeting. | | |
| 3 | Update by the Management Board Chair | The MB took note of the update by the Chair. The last meeting of the current MB Chair will be the MB meeting in June 2023, where the election of the new Chair will take place. The Chair encouraged MB members to consider stepping forward for this role. Decisions taken since the June MB meeting: - Approval of the revised composition of the Management Board Advisory Committee - Decision list from 10 October Bureau meeting - Bureau approval of the audit plan 2023 of the Internal Audit Capability | The MB Secretariat will launch a call for applications early 2023 for the role of MB Chair, ahead of the election ir June 2023. | |
| | | Ongoing: Bureau written procedure on amending the procurement plan 2022 Topic covered at the Bureau on 7 December: | | |
| | | - Further to the end of Bergbóra Njála Guðmundsdóttir's (MB member from Iceland) two-year mandate as observer from a non-EU Member State for the Bureau at the end of December 2022, the Bureau will welcome Ingunn Limstrand (MB member from Norway) as the new observer from a non-EU Member State for the Bureau from 1 January 2023. | | |

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| | | The 96th Bureau decision list covers the recommendations from the Bureau. | | |
| | UPDATES FOR INFORMATION ANI | D FEEDBACK | | |
| 4 | Update by the Executive Director | The MB took note of the update by the Executive Director on the overview of EEA's activities. | Further to a request from a member, the Executive Director provided clarifications on the Agency's increased efforts on cybersecurity. | |
| 5 | Update by the European Commission | The MB took note of the update by the European Commission, in particular on the impact of the war in Ukraine in relation to environmental damage; on activities related to climate that EEA is contributing to; on | The representative from the Joint Research Centre invited the MB to visit the Ispra site. A minor correction will be | |
| | | opportunities in Horizon Europe with a new type of activity called 'EU missions'; and on new ways of planning the Joint Research Centre's work to better serve modern policymaking. The update was followed by questions and answers to European Commission representatives. | made to the written update from the European Commission. | |
| 6 | Update by the Scientific Committee Chair | The MB took note of the update by the new Chair of the Scientific Committee (SC) on the SC's recent activities and on future opportunities. | The SC Chair invited the MB to consider the opportunity to request the SC to provide advice or an opinion on any scientific matter. | |
| 7 | Priorities of the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the EU (first half of 2023) | The MB took note of the presentation of the priorities of the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the EU. | | |
| 8 | Update on the European Topic Centre Biodiversity and Ecosystems | The MB welcomed the update on the European Topic Centre (ETC) on Biodiversity and Ecosystems by the Chair of the evaluation committee, which highlighted that the recommendations from the evaluation committee have been taken on board and that the new ETC is set up for the launch. | The ETC on Biodiversity and Ecosystems will be operational from 2023 to 2026. | |
| | FOR GUIDANCE | | | |
| | STRATEGIC ORIENTATION | | | |
| 9 | 2023 work programme of the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change and update on implementation of the 2022 work programme | The MB welcomed the presentation of the implementation of the 2022 work programme and of the draft 2023 work programme of the European Scientific Advisory Board for Climate Change by Ottmar Edenhofer, the Chair of the Advisory Board. | | |

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| | | The MB congratulated the Advisory Board for their achievements and high ambition. They expressed their support for the 2023 work programme and provided comments. The MB also took note of the invitation for countries who are planning to establish national climate bodies to contact the Secretariat of the Advisory Board for support. | |
| 10 | Proposals from Management Board Advisory Committee (MBAC) on follow-up of results | The MB welcomed the proposals from the Management Board Advisory Committee (MBAC) on how existing bodies (Bureau, Eionet National Focal Points, Scientific Committee, EEA) can follow up on the results of the work of the MBAC to provide long-term support to MB members to further develop the Eionet network. | The mandate of the MBAC ends on 31 December 2022. They will have a final meeting in January 2023 to discuss the input from the MB. |
| | | The MB thanked the MBAC for all their work and highlighted the importance of having Eionet as a standing agenda item in the MB every year. | |
| 11 | 2023 network events: agendas and plans for the Copenhagen (1 March) and Brussels (22 March) events | The MB took note of the latest developments regarding the 2023 network events, in particular the EEA-Eionet day in Copenhagen on 1 March 2023 and the high-level event in Brussels on 22 March 2023. | |
| | FOR DISCUSSION | | |
| Discussion on a key EEA product: The European environment – state and outlook (SOER) 2025 | | The MB discussed the early presentation on EEA's approach to the European environment – state and outlook (SOER) 2025. The MB will have another discussion on the SOER 2025 at the March 2023 MB meeting. | As part of the review of MB and Bureau operations, several members expressed the wish to have more content-related discussions in the MB. MB members are welcome to suggest further EEA products or topics that they wish to discuss in future meetings. |
| | FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE | BUREAU) | |
| 13 | 96 th Bureau meeting 7 December 2022: Decision list, including: A. Eurostat Work Programme for 2023 B. Adoption of Single Programming Document (SPD) 2023-2025 including (1) EEA Annual budget 2023 and (2) financing decision on ETCs for 2023 | A. The MB approved the Eurostat Work Programme for 2023. B. The MB adopted the Single Programming Document (SPD) 2023-2025, the EEA annual budget 2023 and the financing decision on European Topic Centres (ETCs) for 2023. C. The MB approved the amendment to the EEA budget 2022. | D. Ways forward for MB and Bureau review of operations (MB survey results and full list of ways forward in Doc EEA/MB/97/13D): |

| budget 2022 on the ways forward as part of Management Board and Bureau: ways forward to be implement Board and Bureau: ways forward E. EEA evaluation 2017- 2021: decision on MB needed. Setup to follow evaluation E. The MB decided to set up a continue with be EEA evaluation 2017- 2021: decision on MB needed. Setup to follow evaluation E. The MB decided to set up a continue with be EEA evaluation 2017-2021. The MB considered it appropriate to set up a structure (MBAC) with MB members and NFPs, will be invited to volunteer to join the MBAC. Setup to follow the EEA and Eionet. MB members and NFPs will be invited to volunteer to join the MBAC. Setup to follow the EEA and Eionet. MB members and NFPs will be invited to volunteer to join the MBAC. Setup to follow the EEA and Eionet. MB members and NFPs will be invited to volunteer to join the MBAC. Setup to follow the EEA and Eionet. MB members and NFPs will be invited to volunteer to join the MBAC. Setup to follow the EEA and Eionet. MB members and NFPs will be invited to volunteer to join the MBAC. Setup to follow the EEA and Eionet. MB members and NFPs will be invited to volunteer to join the MBAC. Setup to follow the EEA and Eionet. MB members and NFPs working e.g. electronic votes to set up a structure and Eionet. MB members and NFPs working e.g. electronic votes to set up a structure and Eionet. MB members and NFPs working e.g. electronic votes to set up a structure and Eionet. MB members and NFPs working e.g. electronic votes to set up a structure and Eionet. MB members and NFPs working e.g. electronic votes to set up a structure and Eionet. MB members and NFPs working e.g. electronic votes to set up a structure (MBAC) with MB members electronic votes to set up a structure (MBAC) with MB members electronic votes to set up a structure (MBAC) with MB members electronic votes to set up a structure (MBAC) with MB members electronic votes to set up a structure (MBAC) with MB members electronic votes to set up a structure (MBAC) with MB members electronic | Agenda item | Outcome | | Comments |
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| - Continue using written procedu - Consider - establishing MB for future topics when appropria | budget 2022 D. Review of operations of Management Board and Bureau: ways forward E. EEA evaluation 2017-2021: decision on MB setup to follow evaluation | ı | on the ways forward as part of the review of operations of the Management Board and Bureau, to be implemented from January 2023 and to be reviewed as needed. The MB decided to set up a Management Board Advisory Committee (MBAC) to follow the EEA evaluation 2017-2021. The MB considered it appropriate to set up a structure (MBAC) with MB members and NFPs, as the evaluation covers both EEA and Eionet. MB members and NFPs will be invited to volunteer to join | maintain online Bureau meetings Continue embracing opportunities of virtual ways of working e.g. electronic votes Role of Bureau: delegate executive decisions to Bureau to ensure more time for strategic discussions in MB meetings Provide opportunities and time to discuss specific EEA products and publications e.g. SOER Clarity on division of roles MB/Bureau: add more information in welcome package to new members Continue using written procedures Consider establishing MBACs for future topics when appropriate, ensuring that there is no proliferation of |

14 Feedback from Management Board members The meeting continued without further feedback from MB members.

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| | CLOSED SESSION | | |
| 15 | Update on the selection procedure of EEA's next Executive Director | The MB took note of the update by the European Commission on the selection procedure of EEA's next Executive Director. The MB noted that the procedure is on track. | The ongoing steps of the selection procedure are led by the European Commission, without the involvement of the MB members representing the European |
| | | The MB member who observed the pre-selection phase of the selection procedure led by the European Commission confirmed that they are fully satisfied with the process and with how the European Commission handled it. | Commission. Once these steps are completed, a list of shortlisted candidates will be transmitted to the MB for them to organise interviews and voting to appoint the successful candidate. |
| | | The MB highlighted the importance of good preparations for the MB interviews of shortlisted candidates and selection of the successful candidate. | The exact date of the MB interviews and voting will be defined once there is full clarity on the prior steps. The MB Secretariat will prepare details of the running of the selection by the MB, including voting procedures and declarations of conflict of interest. |
| 16 | Approval of Key Performance Indicators for the Executive Director (reporting year 2022) | The MB approved the Key Performance Indicators for the appraisal of the EEA Executive Director for reporting year 2022. | |
| 17 | Appraisal of the Executive Director: Appointment of reporting officers (reporting year 2022) | The MB appointed the reporting officers for the appraisal of the EEA Executive Director for reporting year 2022. | |

The meeting closed at 16:30.

Approved by the EEA Management Board at the 97th Management Board meeting

8 December 2022

Signed

Laura Burke Chair, EEA Management Board

Annexes

Annex 1: Final agenda of 97th Management Board meeting, 8th December 2022

Annex 2: Participants list, 97th Management Board meeting, 8th December 2022

Annex 1:

Agenda of the 97th Management Board meeting Thursday, 8 December 2022, 09:00-16:30 (hybrid: Copenhagen, Teams)

AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

FOR ADOPTION

1. Adoption of draft agenda

FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK

- 2. MB decision list: 96th meeting (16 June 2022)
- 3. Update by the Management Board Chair

UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK

- 4. Update by the Executive Director
- 5. Update by the European Commission
- 6. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair
- 7. Priorities of the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the EU (first half of 2023)
- 8. Update on the European Topic Centre Biodiversity and Ecosystems

FOR GUIDANCE

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION

- 9. 2023 work programme of the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change and update on implementation of the 2022 work programme
- 10. Proposals from Management Board Advisory Committee (MBAC) on follow-up of results
- 11. 2023 network events: agendas and plans for the Copenhagen (1 March) and Brussels (22 March) events

FOR DISCUSSION

12. Discussion on a key EEA product: The European environment – state and outlook (SOER) 2025

FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)

- 13. 96th Bureau meeting 7 December 2022: Decision list, including:
 - A. Eurostat Work Programme for 2023
 - B. Adoption of Single Programming Document (SPD) 2023-2025 including (1) EEA Annual budget 2023 and (2) financing decision on ETCs for 2023
 - C. Amendment to EEA budget 2022
 - D. Review of operations of Management Board and Bureau: ways forward
 - E. EEA evaluation 2017-2021: decision on MB setup to follow evaluation

FOR INFORMATION

14. Feedback from Management Board members

CLOSED SESSION

- 15. Update on the selection procedure of EEA's next Executive Director
- 16. Approval of Key Performance Indicators for the Executive Director (reporting year 2022)*
- 17. Appraisal of the Executive Director: Appointment of reporting officers (reporting year 2022)*

^{*}Documents for agenda points 15, 16 and 17 are confidential and will not be uploaded to Eionet Forum. MB members will receive them separately.

Annex 2:

Participants list, 97th Management Board meeting, Thursday 8 December 2022, 09:00–16:30 CET, hybrid meeting: Microsoft Teams/Copenhagen

| Represented country/ organisation | Name | Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert) | Presence |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|----------|
| Austria | Georg Rebernig | Alternate member | Present |
| Belgium | Michiel Van Peteghem | Member | Present |
| Bulgaria | Rossalina Indzhieva | Alternate member | Present |
| Bulgaria | Tanya Vladimirova | Expert | Present |
| Croatia | Aljoša Duplić | Member | Present |
| Cyprus | Irene Constantinou | Alternate member | Present |
| Czech Republic | Michal Pastvinsky | Member | Present |
| Czech Republic | Klára Kipielová | Alternate member | Present |
| Denmark | Henrik Hedeman Olsen | Alternate member | Present |
| Denmark | Julie Elisabeth Ottosen | Expert | Present |
| Estonia | Margit Martinson | Member | Present |
| Finland | Tanja Suni | Member | Present |
| France | Diane Simiu | Member | Present |
| Germany | Julia Werner | Member | Present |
| Germany | Christina Pykonen | Expert | Present |
| Hungary | Zita Gellér | Alternate member | Present |
| Iceland | Bergþóra Guðmundsdóttir | Member | Present |
| Ireland | Laura Burke | Chair, member | Present |
| Italy | Alessandro Bratti | Member | Present |
| Italy | Stefania Minestrini | Expert | Present |
| Latvia | Kristīne Kazerovska | Alternate member | Present |
| Lithuania | Milda Raciene | Member | Present |
| Luxembourg | André Weidenhaupt | Member | Present |
| Luxembourg | Paul Rasqué | Alternate member | Present |
| Luxembourg | Eric De Brabanter | Expert | Present |

| Represented country/ organisation | Name | Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert) | Presence |
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| Malta | Kevin Mercieca | Member | Present |
| Netherlands | Jennefer Baarn | Alternate member | Present |
| Norway | Ingunn Limstrand | Member | Present |
| Poland | Anna Katarzyna Wiech | Alternate member | Present |
| Portugal | Nuno Lacasta | Member | Present |
| Portugal | Águeda Silva | Expert | Present |
| Romania | Marilena Doncuta | Alternate member | Present |
| Slovakia | Maria Fischerova | Member | Present |
| Slovakia | Radoslav Považan | Expert | Present |
| Slovenia | Tanja Bolte | Member | Present |
| Spain | Antonio Nieto Magro | Member | Present |
| Sweden | Anna Otmalm | Member | Present |
| Sweden | Petter Mahrs | Alternate member | Present |
| Switzerland | Martine Rohn-Brossard | Alternate member | Present |
| Türkiye | Mehrali Ecer | Alternate member | Present |
| Designated by the EP | Lena Neij | Member | Present |
| Designated by the EP | Tomáš Cajthaml | Alternate member | Present |
| EC – DG ENV | Gilles Gantelet | Member | Present |
| EC – DG ENV | Josiane Masson | Observer | Present |
| EC – JRC | Alessandra Zampieri | Alternate member | Present |
| EC – JRC | Greet Janssens-Maenhout | Observer | Present |
| EC – DG RTD | Philippe Tulkens | Observer | Present |
| EC – DG CLIMA | Jürgen Salay | Observer | Present |
| EEA Scientific Committee | Claire Dupont | SC Chair | Present |
| Albania | Oriana Hanxhari | Guest/observer | Present |
| European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change | Ottmar Edenhofer | Guest | Present |

| Represented country/ organisation | Name | Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert) | Presence |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|----------|
| EEA | Hans Bruyninckx | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Soren Nielsen | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Katja Rosenbohm | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Chris Steenmans | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Martin Adams | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Jock Martin | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Eva Jensen | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Luc Bas | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Riyong Kim | EEA | Present |
| EEA | François Dejean | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Milan Chrenko | EEA | Present |
| EEA | Rasa Narkeviciute | EEA Staff committee | Present |
| EEA | Jasmiina Laurmaa | MB Secretariat | Present |
| EEA | Pia Schmidt | MB Secretariat | Present |
| EEA | Dana Bjurner | MB Secretariat | Present |
| IPSOS | Sonja Schneuwly | Guest/observer | Present |