



**LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE
88TH BUREAU MEETING, 24 MARCH 2021**

Agenda item	Outcome	Comments	
FOR ADOPTION			
1	Agenda of the 88th Bureau meeting	The meeting agenda was adopted.	The meeting agenda is included in Annex 1.
2	Overview of audits and approval of Internal Audit Capability (IAC) 2020 annual activity report	The Bureau adopted the Internal Audit Capability (IAC) 2020 annual activity report. They also took note of the overview of audits and the fact that no observations or preliminary findings were reported by the external auditors.	The Bureau did not identify any issues of concern to be brought to the attention of the Board. The Internal Audit Service has requested access to MB and Bureau documents as part of their analysis of the relations between DG CLIMA/ENV with the decentralised agencies. The EEA will accept the request and ask that the Executive Director and members of the Management Board are contacted to provide context.
FOR BUREAU GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION			
3	Provisional accounts 2020	The Bureau examined and took note of the provisional accounts for 2020.	The Bureau did not identify any issues of concern to be brought to the attention of the Board. The budgetary impact of the Covid situation has resulted in decreased spending on meetings and missions. Investments have therefore been made in operational work and on agreed refurbishment of the premises to optimise working models and spaces.
FOR BUREAU ORIENTATION IN PREPARATION OF THE 91ST MANAGEMENT BOARD			
4	91 st MB meeting agenda	The Bureau took note of the agenda for the 90th MB meeting.	The Bureau did not identify any issues of concern to be brought to the attention of the Board except for an additional confidential item to be presented during the closed session.



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	The Bureau also took note of the revision of the meeting calendar 2021 and advised the MB to approve the revised meeting calendar 2021.	Changes to the calendar are: cancellation of 6 May Bureau meeting (any administrative matters arising before the June Bureau meeting will be dealt with by written procedure) and cancellation of the June networking event until Covid restrictions are lifted.
5 Digitalisation to support the EEA/Eionet work programme	The Bureau took note of how EEA will embrace digitalisation as a building block to implement the EEA-Eionet strategy 2030 and build on recent years' investments.	The Bureau did not identify any issues of concern to be brought to the attention of the Board. The budget for the foreseen investments will be secured through yearly budgets and Copernicus funding.
6 Eionet mapping exercise	The Bureau took note of the outcome of the MB Chair decision on the composition of the MB Advisory Committee for the mapping of Eionet resources following a call for expressions of interest amongst MB members.	The first meeting of the Advisory Committee took place on 22 March. The Terms of Reference are being drafted and will be discussed during the next meeting in mid-April.
7 Establishment of ETC evaluation committee	The Bureau took note of the upcoming launch of calls for ETC evaluation committee nominations and the December decision on the delegation of the appointment of members of the Opening and Evaluations Committees to the Chair of the Management Board.	The new European Topic Centres are expected to be operational from 2022 onwards. The Bureau noted the importance of the ETCs to the work of the EEA and encourages MB nominations to the Evaluation Committees.
FOR INFORMATION		
8 Feedback from Bureau members	The Executive Director presented a confidential item for Bureau approval.	The Bureau will recommend Board approval during the closed session of the Management Board meeting on 25 March.

The meeting closed at 15.20

Approved by the EEA Bureau at its 88th meeting
MS Teams video conference, 24 March 2021

[Signed]

Laura Burke
Chair, EEA Management Board

Annexes

- Annex 1: Final agenda of 88th Bureau meeting, 24 March 2021
- Annex 2: Participants list, 88th Bureau meeting, 24 March 2021

**Annex 1:**

**Agenda of the 88^h Bureau meeting
24 March 2021, (14:00-16:00 CET), video conference on Microsoft Teams**

AGENDA ITEM	DOCUMENTS
FOR ADOPTION	
1. Agenda of the 91 st Bureau meeting	EEA/BU/88/01
2. Overview of audits and approval of Internal Audit Capability (IAC) 2020 annual activity report	EEA/BU/88/02
FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION	
3. Provisional accounts 2020	EEA/BU/88/03
FOR BUREAU ORIENTATION IN PREPARATION OF THE 91ST MANAGEMENT BOARD	
4. 91 st MB meeting agenda	EEA/MB/91/01
5. Digitalisation to support the EEA/Eionet work programme	EEA/MB/91/04
6. Eionet mapping exercise	EEA/MB/91/05
7. Establishment of ETC evaluation committee	EEA/MB/91/09
FOR INFORMATION	
8. Feedback from Bureau members	[Verbal update]

Documents provided for information (no discussion in the meeting unless raised by a Bureau member under AP 8 Feedback from Bureau members):

- Update on the discharge process 2019 (EEA/BU/88/09)

Annex 2: Participants list, 88th Bureau meeting, Wednesday 24 March 2021, 14:00–16:00 CET, video conference

PARTICIPANTS	COUNTRY/AFFILIATION	ORGANISATION	ATTENDANCE
Laura BURKE	Ireland	Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	<i>Present</i>
Michal PASTVINSKY	Czech Republic	Ministry of Environment	<i>Present</i>
André WEIDENHAUPT	Luxembourg	Ministère du Développement durable et des Infrastructures	<i>Present</i>
Julia WERNER	Germany	Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety	<i>Present</i>
Alda OZOLA	Latvia	Ministry of Environment Protection and Regional Development	<i>Present</i>
Alessandro BRATTI	Italy	ISPRA	<i>Present</i>
Lena NEIJ	European Parliament	Professor, International Institute for Industrial Environmental Economics (IIIEE), Sweden	<i>Present</i>
Gilles GANTELET	European Commission	DG ENV, Director A – Policy, Coordination and Resources	<i>Present</i>
GUESTS/OBSERVERS	COUNTRY/AFFILIATION	ORGANISATION	
Per MICKWITZ	Sweden	EEA Scientific Committee	<i>Present</i>
Jürgen SULAY	European Commission	DG CLIMA	<i>Present</i>
Josiane MASSON	European Commission	DG ENV	<i>Present</i>
Bergþóra Njála GUDMUNDSDOTTIR	Iceland	Ministry for the Environment and Natural Resources	<i>Present</i>
EEA PARTICIPANTS			
Hans BRUYNINCKX			<i>Present</i>
Martin ADAMS			<i>Present</i>
Eva JENSEN			<i>Present</i>
Riyong KIM			<i>Present</i>
Jock MARTIN			<i>Present</i>
Soren NIELSEN			<i>Present</i>
Teresa RIBEIRO			<i>Present</i>
Katja ROSENBOHM			<i>Present</i>

Chris STEENMANS			<i>Present</i>
Milan CHRENKO			<i>Present</i>
Marisa TURANZAS			<i>Present</i>