

LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE
92ND MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 17 JUNE 2021

Agenda item	Outcome	Comments
AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The Management Board (MB) welcomed new members and alternates since the March meeting, as well as representatives from Bosnia Herzegovina.	Bosnia Herzegovina took part in the meeting as part of the rotating observership of the Western Balkan countries in MB meetings. The need for future meeting interpretation will be considered in due course given the current well functioning of online meetings without interpretation.
FOR ADOPTION		
1 Agenda of the 92 nd Management Board meeting	The MB adopted the agenda of the meeting.	The final meeting agenda is included in Annex 1.
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
2 MB Decision list 91 st meeting (25 March 2021)	The MB adopted the decision list of the 91 st meeting.	No comments were received in advance or during the meeting.
3 Update by the Management Board Chair	The MB took note of the update from the Chair. Decisions taken since the 25 March meeting via written procedure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adoption of internal rules governing the restrictions to certain rights of data subjects in relation to the processing of their personal data in the framework of the administrative functioning of the EEA. - CAAR 2020 adopted by written procedure after the inclusion of Court of Auditors' comments. Topics covered at the Bureau on 16 June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Changes to Procurement plan 2021 - 2019 draft report to the discharge authorities - Overview of audits 	The complete outcomes of the 16 June Bureau meeting are available in decision list EEA/BU/2021/018. Following discharge recommendations, MB members were asked to provide updated CVs and Declarations of Interest if not already done so. The Bureau: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - adopted on behalf of the MB the revised EEA 2021 procurement plan. - took note of the EEA discharge for the year 2019, granted by the European Parliament, -took note of the EEA audits and auditors' visits to the Agency since the last update at the March Bureau meeting



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FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION		
STRATEGIC ORIENTATION		
4 Eionet mapping exercise	<p>- MB took note of and commented on the outcomes of the MB Advisory Committee (MBAC) on Eionet mapping exercise discussions to date and provided guidance on possible next steps.</p> <p>- MB took note of discussions and provided guidance on the next steps regarding the Eionet modernisation exercise.</p> <p><u>Structure of the session:</u></p> <p>- Presentation of Finnish examples of transformation and communication (by Tanja Suni, MB member and MBAC member from Finland)</p> <p>- Presentation on the work of the MB Advisory Committee up to now including the Terms of Reference of the Committee and Draft guidance document (by Anna Otmalm, Chair of the MB Advisory Committee)</p> <p>- Presentation on the status of discussions on Eionet modernisation, NRC roles and ECDF reviews (by Eric De Brabanter, NFP from Luxembourg and MBAC member).</p>	<p>Country observers were invited to participate in this session.</p> <p>The Board expressed its appreciation for the work carried out by the MB Advisory Committee and highlighted that the exercise should recognise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the differences in national contexts and structures; - the common benefits, good practices and need to evolve and adapt in order to strengthen Eionet roles at both national and European levels.
FOR DECISION		
5 European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change	<p>- MB requested a revision of the note detailing the EEA's proposed approach towards the designation of Advisory Board members by the end of 2021, with the aim of ensuring a timely operation of the Advisory Board. The revised note will include additional information on the procedure and criteria for the designation of members of the Evaluation Committee for selection of the members.</p> <p>EEA informed that the proposal is in accordance with the principles of the Climate Law and aims to ensure a fair, transparent and independent process.</p> <p>EEA will provide a revised note and decision for MB approval by written procedure which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Details regarding MB representation and involvement in the selection of members of the Evaluation Committee as well as members of the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change, - Representation of the Board members by the Chair of the MB in the Evaluation Committee. - Eligibility and selection criteria, 	<p>The decision on a European Scientific Advisory Body on Climate Change will enter into force on the date of adoption of the European Climate Law.</p> <p>The Board noted that the Climate Law signifies a de-facto change of the founding regulation of the EEA.</p>



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	- MB will review the call for members prior its publication.	
6 Designation of European Topic Centres and instruction to conclude ETC agreements	<p>MB accepted the Bureau's recommendation and endorsed the designation of consortia for European Topic Centres (ETCs) for the period 2022–2026 based on the recommendations of the ETC Evaluation Committee.</p> <p>MB endorsed the Bureau's recommendation to give EEA mandate to pursue alternatives for the area of biodiversity and ecosystems (where a suitable candidate was not found). EEA will initiate a new call for submissions in this area.</p>	<p>André Weidenhaupt (Chair of the ETC Evaluation Committee) presented an overview of the Committee's findings and recommendations, as well as lessons learned during the process.</p> <p>The Board expressed its appreciation of the important work carried out by the ETC Evaluation Committee.</p>
SPECIAL SESSION		
7 Presentation of Eurostat Work Programme for 2022 by Viveka Palm, Director for Sectoral and Regional Statistics, Eurostat	<p>MB took note of the Eurostat work programme for 2022 and vision for the Directorate for the coming years.</p> <p>MB took particular note of new areas of work with direct relevance to EEA and countries as well as the opportunities to continue and expand the existing good collaboration.</p>	<p>MB members will be invited to provide comments to the draft work programme for 2022 by written procedure in the coming weeks.</p>
UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
8 Update by the Executive Director	<p>The MB took note of the update by the Executive Director, including tasks undertaken to monitor the 8th EAP as well as initiatives and developments in the areas of water, climate change and LULUCF, sustainable finance and Copernicus.</p> <p>The Executive Director highlighted once again the resilience of staff and the network in delivering on the work plan despite the COVID-19 crisis.</p>	
9 Update by the Scientific Committee Chair	<p>The MB took note of the activities of the Scientific Committee (SC), including the outcomes of the 79th SC meeting in May, the SC opinion on the recruitment of scientific staff, the SC opinion on the SPD 2022-2023 and AWP 2022 and the joint EEA-SC seminar on food systems.</p>	<p>In the absence of the Chair of the SC, the updated was presented by Claire Dupont, elected as SC Vice-Chair at the 79th SC meeting in May.</p>



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10 Update by the European Commission	The MB took note of the update by the European Commission including European Semester, Recovery and Resilience Facility, Just Transition Mechanism, Invest EU programme, adoption of LIFE, Climate Law negotiations and ongoing processes including the EU Forest strategy, legislative initiatives on sustainable products and single use plastic.	
FOR DECISION (PRE-PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)		
11 89 th Bureau meeting 16 June 2021: Decision list, including: A. Final accounts 2020 B. Meeting calendar 2022	MB gave its opinion on EEA final accounts 2020 as required by the EEA Financial Regulation. MB approved the draft meeting calendar for Management Board and Bureau meetings in 2022.	Audits of the provisional annual accounts 2020 were undertaken by independent external auditors as well as by the Court of Auditors. No findings were reported. The 2022 meeting calendar is included in annex 3. Physical MB meetings may resume in 2022 if the Covid - 19 situation allows. It is envisaged that Bureau meetings not held back-to-back with MB meetings will continue to be held as virtual Teams' meetings.
FOR INFORMATION		
12 2021 call for expression of interest for Seconded National Experts (SNE)	Due to the few nominations received to date, the Management Board was invited to further support possible applicants from Member States.	Depending on the outcome of the extended call, it might be advisable to review the use of seconded national experts in order to avoid leaving critical expert functions unfilled. In such case, EEA will provide the Management Board with a discussion paper.
13 Feedback from Management Board members	No feedback was received.	
CLOSED SESSION		
14 Election of Vice Chairs/Members of the Bureau	MB members with voting rights voted to: - Elect Diane Simiu, MB member from France for a first term as MB Vice-Chair/Bureau member. - Re-elect Michal Pastvinský, MB member from Czech Republic for a second term as Vice-Chair/Bureau member. Both terms will run from 24 June 2021 until 23 June 2024.	The Rules of Procedure of the Board and Bureau allow for a maximum of five Vice-Chairs to be elected amongst the Board members with voting rights and establishes the Vice-Chairs as members of the Bureau.

The meeting closed at 16:00.

Approved by the EEA Management Board at the 92nd Management Board meeting

17 June 2021

[Signed]

Laura Burke
Chair, EEA Management Board

Annexes

- Annex 1: Final agenda of 92nd Management Board meeting, 17 June 2021
- Annex 2: Participants list, 92nd Management Board meeting, 17 June 2021
- Annex 3: Meeting dates 2022

Annex 1:

**Agenda of the 92nd Management Board meeting
17 June 2021, (09:30-16:00 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 list: 91st meeting (25 March 2021)
3. Update by the Management Board Chair
FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION
STRATEGIC ORIENTATION
4. Eionet mapping exercise
FOR DECISION
5. European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change
6. Designation of European Topic Centres and instruction to conclude ETC agreements
SPECIAL SESSION
7. Presentation of Eurostat Work Programme for 2022 by Viveka Palm, Director for Sectoral and Regional Statistics, Eurostat
UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK
8. Update by the Executive Director
9. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair
10. Update by the European Commission
FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)
11. 89 th Bureau meeting 16 June 2021: Decision list, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Final accounts 2020 B. Meeting calendar 2022



FOR INFORMATION

12. 2021 call for expression of interest for Seconded National Experts (SNE)
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13. Feedback from Management Board members
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CLOSED SESSION

14. Election of Vice Chairs/Members of the Bureau

Annex 2: Participants list, 92nd Management Board meeting, Thursday 17 June 2021, 09:30–16:00 CET, video conference

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert)	Attendance	EU survey	Outlook sent/accepted
Austria	Elisabeth Freytag-Rigler	Member		ok	s/a
Belgium	Michiel Van Peteghem	Member		ok	s/a
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Mirza Hujic	Observer		ok	s/a
Bulgaria	Karamfilova-Blagova	Member		ok	s/a
Bulgaria	Rosalina Indzhieva	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Bulgaria	Tanya Vladimirova	Expert		ok	s/a
Cyprus	Irene Constantinou	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Czech Republic	Michal Pastvinsky	Member		ok	s/a
Czech Republic	Klára Kipielová	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Czech Republic	Miroslav Havranek	Expert	AP4		s/a
Denmark	Henrik Hedeman Olsen	Alternate member			s/a
Finland	Tanja Suni	Member			s/a
France	Aude Charrier	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Germany	Julia Werner	Member		ok	s
Greece	Petros Varelidis	Member		ok	s
Hungary	Ildiko Fieder	Expert		ok	s/a
Hungary	Zita Gellér	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Iceland	Bergþóra Njála Guðmundsdóttir	Member		-	s/a
Ireland	Laura Burke	Chair, member		ok	s
Ireland	Brendan Wall	Expert	AP4	ok	s/a
Italy	Alessandro Bratti	Member		ok	s
Italy	Luca Demicheli	Expert		ok	s
Italy	Michele Munafò	Expert	AP4		s
Italy	Maria Gabriella Simeone	Expert	AP4		s/a
Latvia	Alda Ozola	Member		-	s/a
Latvia	Silvija Nora Kalnins	Alternate member		ok	s
Lithuania	Aldona Margerienė	Alternate member		ok	s
Luxembourg	André Weidenhaupt	Member		ok	s/a
Luxembourg	Paul Rasqué	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Luxembourg	Eric De Brabanter	Expert		ok	s/a
Malta	Michelle Piccinino	Member		ok	s
Netherlands	Marieke Spijkerboer	Member		ok	s
Netherlands	Kees Schotten	Expert	AP4	Ok	s
Norway	Bjørn Bjørnstad	Member		ok	s
Poland	Anna Katarzyna Wiech	Alternate member		ok	s
Poland	Malgorzata Bednarek	Expert		ok	s
Portugal	Nuno Lacasta	Member		ok	s/a
Portugal	Águeda Silva	Expert		ok	s/a
Slovakia	Katarína Belobradová	Member		ok	s/a
Slovakia	Michal Maco	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Slovenia	Barbara Bernard Vukadin	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Spain	Antonio Nieto Magro	Alternate member		ok	s
Sweden	Anna Otmalm	Member		ok	s/a
Sweden	Marcus Carlsson Reich	Expert	AP4	ok	s/a
Switzerland	Katrin Schneeberger	Member		ok	s/a
Switzerland	Nicolas Perritaz	Expert		ok	s
Turkey	Fatma Nur Cebecioglu	Expert		ok	s
Designated by the EP	Klaus Jacob	Alternate member		ok	s/a
Designated by the EP	Tomas Cajthalm	Alternate member		ok	s

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert)	Attendance	EU survey	Outlook sent/ accepted
Designated by the EP	Fernando Valladares	Alternate member			
EC – DG ENV	Gilles Gantelet	Member			s/a
EC – DG ENV	Josiane Masson	Observer			s/a
EC -Eurostat	Viveka Palm	Alternate member			s/a
EC – JRC	Greet Janssens-Maenhout	Observer		ok	s
EC – DG RTD	Jose Jimenez-Mingo	Observer		ok	s/a
EC – DG CLIMA	Yvon Slingenberg	Observer			s/a
EC – DG CLIMA	Jürgen Salay	Observer		ok	s/a
EEA Scientific Committee	Claire Dupont	SC Vice-Chair			s/a
EEA	Hans Bruyninckx	EEA SMT			s/a
EEA	Soren Nielsen	EEA SMT			s/a
EEA	Katja Rosenbohm	EEA SMT			s/a
EEA	Chris Steenmans	EEA SMT			s/a
EEA	Martin Adams	EEA SMT			s
EEA	Jock Martin	EEA SMT			s/a
EEA	Eva Jensen	EEA SMT			s/a
EEA	Ronan Uhel	EEA SMT			s
EEA	Riyong Kim	EEA SMT			s/a
EEA	Teresa Ribeiro	EEA SMT			s
EEA	Milan Chrenko				s/a
EEA	François Dejean		AP5		s/a
EEA	Roberta Pignatelli		AP7		s/a
EEA	Malene Bruun		AP4		s/a
EEA	Rasa Narkeviciute				s
EEA	Marisa Turanzas	MB Secretariat		ok	s/a
EEA	Pia Schmidt	MB Secretariat			s/a
EEA	Dana Bjurner	MB Secretariat			s

Annex 3: Meeting dates 2022

MEETING DATES IN 2022
MANAGEMENT BOARD, BUREAU, SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND NFP/EIONET

VERSION OF 17 JUNE 2021

Meeting	Proposed date
Bureau (virtual)	Thursday 27 January 2022 (14:00-16:30)
81 st Scientific Committee (virtual or physical tbd)	Tuesday-Wednesday, 22-23 February 2022
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Thursday 1-3 March 2022
Bureau	Wednesday, 23 March 2022
95th Management Board	Thursday, 24 March 2022
Bureau	Thursday, 5 May 2022
82 nd Scientific Committee	Tuesday-Wednesday, 17-18 May 2022
NFP/Eionet meeting	Monday-Tuesday, 13-14 June 2022
Bureau	Wednesday, 15 June 2022
96th Management Board	Thursday, 16 June 2022
OR	
Joint MB/NFP/SC seminar back to back with the NFP Eionet meeting, Bureau and MB meetings	Tuesday-Thursday 14-16 June 2022
Bureau (virtual)	Thursday, 6 October 2022 (14:00–16:30)
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Thursday, 11–13 October 2022
83 rd Scientific Committee	Tuesday-Wednesday, 25-26 October 2022
Bureau	Wednesday, 7 December 2022*
97th Management Board	Thursday, 8 December 2022*

**At the time of the proposal, the ENV Council dates were not known. Should the proposed dates coincide with ENV Council dates, alternative dates are 1 December 2022 for the 97th Management Board meeting and 30 November 2022 for the Bureau meeting.*