

# Decision EEA/MB/2022/019

# LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE 96<sup>TH</sup> MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 16 JUNE 2022

Ag	enda item	Outcome	Comments	
	AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The Management Board (MB) welcomed new MB members that were nominated since the March meeting, as well as the representative from Serbia.	Serbia 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 96 <sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting	The Management Board (MB) adopted the agenda of the meeting.		
	FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK			
2	MB decision list: 95 <sup>th</sup> meeting (24 March 2022)	The MB adopted the decision list of the 95 <sup>th</sup> meeting.		
3	Update by the Management Board Chair	<ul> <li>The MB took note of the update by the Chair.</li> <li>Decisions taken since the 24 March meeting: <ul> <li>Adoption of Consolidated Annual Activity Report (CAAR) 2021</li> <li>Second amendment of EEA budget 2022</li> </ul> </li> <li>The Chair invited MB members to provide their feedback to the survey from the MB Secretariat on the review of operations of Management Board and Bureau.</li> </ul>	The survey on the review of operations of Management Board and Bureau will remain open until 30 June 2022.	
		Topics covered at the Bureau on 15 June: - The 94th Bureau decision list covers the recommendations from the Bureau.		
	UPDATES FOR INFORMATIO			
4	Update by the Executive Director	The MB took note of the update by the Executive Director on the overview of EEA's activities.	The interactive visualisation based on the data from the Consolidated Annual Activity Report (CAAR) 2021 is available on the <u>EEA website</u> .	
5	Update by the Scientific Committee Chair	The MB took note of the update by the Scientific Committee (SC) Chair on the SC's recent activities. The MB welcomed his reflections on his time on the SC, as well as on the links between the SC and the MB. The MB thanked the SC Chair for his leadership and his valuable contributions to the work of EEA and the MB during his mandate.	The mandate of the current SC Chair is coming to an end in November 2022.	
6	Update by the European Commission	The MB took note of the update by the European Commission, in particular on the latest developments regarding the implementation of the European Green Deal in the current period of volatility, and regarding the Fit for 55 package. The update was followed by questions and answers to European Commission representatives.		



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		The MB asked the European Commission to provide them with an interim update on the latest developments on the policy agenda in the current volatile environment.	
7	Priorities of the Czech Presidency of the Council of the EU	The MB welcomed the presentation of the priorities of the Czech Presidency of the Council of the EU in the field of environment.	
8	EEA evaluation 2017-2021: timeline and MB involvement	<ul> <li>The MB took note of the steps and timeline of the EEA evaluation of 2017-2021.</li> <li>The MB highlighted the importance of transparency and active engagement with the MB throughout the process, as well as close engagement between the European Commission and EEA senior management.</li> <li>The MB provided the following feedback: <ul> <li>Clarify how the results of the last EEA evaluation, including the Scientific Committee and MB opinions, will be considered</li> <li>Based on the information on the previous EEA evaluation to be provided by EEA, the MB will decide whether to set up a subcommittee to follow the evaluation more closely.</li> <li>Clarify the involvement of the co-legislator in the evaluation</li> <li>Look into how the MB can engage with the contractor and interview all MB members</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	The EEA evaluation will be a standing item on the MB agenda for the foreseeable future. EEA will set up an internal team in charge for gathering data for the evaluation. EEA will document what happened during the previous evaluation, including in terms of MB involvement, and provide the information to the MB. EEA suggested the European Commission to clarify the involvement of DG CLIMA in the evaluation.
9	Draft Eurostat work programme 2023: presentation and Q&A	The MB welcomed the presentation of the draft Eurostat work programme 2023 by Viveka Palm, Director for Sectoral and Regional Statistics, Eurostat. MB members provided initial comments to the work programme, in particular on the complementarity of the roles of Eurostat and EEA.	MB members are invited to provide additional comments to the draft Eurostat Work Programme 2023 (via the MB Secretariat) by 30 June 2022.

# FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION

	STRATEGIC ORIENTATION		
10	2022 work programme of the European Scientific Advisory Board for Climate Change	The MB welcomed the presentation of the draft 2022 work programme of the European Scientific Advisory Board for Climate Change by Ottmar Edenhofer, the newly appointed Chair of the Advisory Board.	The European Scientific Advisory Board for Climate Change will update the MB on the implementation of the
		The MB congratulated the Chair of the Advisory Board, Advisory Board members as well as the Secretariat on their extensive work in developing the draft work programme in a short time.	2022 work programme and consult the MB on future annual work programmes.



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		The MB provided comments on the work programme and welcomed further engagement with the Advisory Board. The MB also took note of the request to inform EEA if they have national advisory bodies on climate change in their countries.	MB members are invited to inform the MB Secretariat regarding the national advisory bodies on climate change in their countries.
11	<ul> <li>Transformation of Eionet:</li> <li>A. Report from the Management Board Advisory Committee</li> <li>B. EEA's aspirations to strengthen the relationship with countries</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The MB took note of the recommendations from the Chair of the MB Advisory Committee (MBAC) on main activities, including: <ul> <li>The 2023 Eionet events should build on each other. It would be beneficial to have all experts nominated for Eionet functions before the events.</li> <li>Instead of referring to action plans, the MBAC will instead refer to a light governance mechanism to describe the modernisation of Eionet in the countries, which can take any form depending on the needs of each country.</li> <li>Annual overview on Eionet transformation at March MB meeting</li> <li>The MBAC encourages countries to involve the whole ecosystem of actors</li> <li>Co-design/co-creation pilots outlined in the MB document are not relevant as they are already happening.</li> <li>Eionet National Focal Points (NFPs) and EEA to improve the concept of co-design/co-creation over time and report to MB.</li> <li>EEA initiatives to strengthen the relationship with countries show high potential for increased cooperation</li> </ul> </li> <li>The MB thanked the Advisory Committee for their work and acknowledged the importance of MB and NFP participation in the Advisory Committee. The MB also expressed their support for EEA's initiatives to strengthen the relationship with countries.</li> </ul>	Members of the MB are welcome to contact the MB Advisory Committee with regard to nominating experts to the Eionet functions. The MB is invited to share best practices and examples illustrating the transformation of Eionet in their countries with the MB Secretariat, to be made available to MB and the Advisory Committee on Eionet Forum.
12	Follow-up on resource discussion: opportunities for Seconded National Experts beyond technical roles	The MB discussed the feasibility of the EEA proposal to introduce a troika system for Eionet groups with the involvement of Seconded National Experts (SNEs). The MB provided initial comments to the proposal. They expressed their support for EEA to build on this idea to try it and proceed, depending on the level of interest. The MB highlighted the suggestion from the Bureau for EEA to provide an improved welcome package to SNEs to facilitate their secondment and the return to their home countries.	



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	FOR DECISION (PREPARED II	N THE BUREAU)	
13	<ul> <li>94<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting 15 Jun 2022: Decision list, including: <ul> <li>A. Designation of a European Topic Centre on Biodiversity and Ecosystems 2023-2026</li> <li>B. EEA final accounts 2021</li> <li>C. MB/Bureau meeting calendar 2023</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	B. The MB adopted their opinion on the EEA final	<ul> <li>A. EEA will update the MB or the continuity between the work of the current two ETCs and the new one, and on the delivery of all objectives set in the terms of reference.</li> <li>C. The MB took note of the unknown elements that will have an impact on the dates: the possible extraordinary MB meeting early 2023 and the EEA evaluation 2017- 2021. The Chair encouraged members to submit their comments in relation to the format (in person/ online/ hybrid) of future meetings vi the survey on the review of operations of MB and Bureau.</li> </ul>
	FOR INFORMATION		
14	Feedback from Managemen Board members	t The meeting continued without further feedback from MB members.	The MB meeting of 8 December is foreseen to take place in person.
	FOR DECISION / INFORMATI	ON	
	CLOSED SESSION		
15	-	The MB took note of the update by the European s Commission on the selection procedure of EEA's next Executive Director, and by the MB Secretariat on the dissemination of the vacancy notice in digital media outlets and to EEA's networks.	As a result of the next steps lead by the European Commission, a list of shortlisted candidates will be submitted to the MB for them to interview and appoint the successful candidate.

16 June 2022

Signed

Laura Burke Chair, EEA Management Board

## Annexes

Annex 1: Final agenda of 96<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022

- Annex 2: Participants list, 96<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022
- Annex 3: Meeting calendar 2023



#### Annex 1:

## Agenda of the 96<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting Thursday, 16 June 2022, 09:30-16:30 (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: 95<sup>th</sup> meeting (24 March 2022)

3. Update by the Management Board Chair

#### UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK

4. Update by the Executive Director

5. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair

6. Update by the European Commission

7. Priorities of the Czech Presidency of the Council of the EU

8. EEA evaluation 2017-2021: timeline and MB involvement

9. Draft Eurostat work programme 2023: presentation and Q&A

## FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION

10. 2022 work programme of the European Scientific Advisory Board for Climate Change

- 11. Transformation of Eionet:
  - C. Report from the Management Board Advisory Committee
  - D. EEA's aspirations to strengthen the relationship with countries

12. Follow-up on resource discussion: opportunities for Seconded National Experts beyond technical roles

#### FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)

13. 94<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting 15 June 2022: Decision list, including:

- A. Designation of a European Topic Centre on Biodiversity and Ecosystems 2023-2026\*
- B. EEA final accounts 2021
- C. MB/Bureau meeting calendar 2023

#### FOR INFORMATION

14. Feedback from Management Board members

## FOR DECISION/INFORMATION

CLOSED SESSION

15. Standing agenda point: selection procedure of the EEA's next Executive Director (verbal update)



## Annex 2:

# Participants list, 96<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting, Thursday 16 June 2022, 09:30–16:30 CEST, hybrid meeting: Microsoft Teams/Copenhagen

Represented country/	Name	Role (member, alternate member,
organisation	lanc	observer/ expert)
Austria	Elisabeth Freytag-Rigler	Member
Belgium	Michiel Van Peteghem	Member
Croatia	Aljoša Duplić	Member
Cyprus	Joanna Constantinidou	Expert
Czech Republic	Michal Pastvinsky	Member
Czech Republic	Klára Kipielová	Alternate member
Denmark	Henrik Hedeman Olsen	Alternate member
Estonia	Margit Martinson	Member
Finland	Pekka Harju-Autti	Alternate member
France	Diane Simiu	Member
Germany	Julia Werner	Member
Germany	Christina Pykonen	Expert
i	Zita Gellér	Alternate member
Hungary Iceland		Member
Ireland	Bergþóra Guðmundsdóttir Laura Burke	
		Chair, member
Ireland	Brian Donlon	Expert
Italy	Alessandro Bratti	Member
Latvia	Andris Ķēniņš	Member
Lithuania	Aldona Margerienė	Member
Luxembourg	André Weidenhaupt	Member
Luxembourg	Eric De Brabanter	Expert
Malta	Darrin T Stevens	Alternate member
Netherlands	Marieke Spijkerboer	Member
Norway	Ingunn Limstrand	Member
Norway	Mari Bjørhei	Expert
Poland	Magda Gosk	Member
Poland	Malgorzata Bednarek	Expert
Portugal	Nuno Lacasta	Member
Romania	Marilena Doncuta	Alternate member
Serbia	Stefan Simeunovic	Observer
Slovakia	Maria Fischerova	Member
Slovakia	Janka Guzmová	Expert
Slovenia	Barbara Bernard Vukadin	Alternate member
Spain	Antonio Nieto Magro	Alternate member
Sweden	Anna Otmalm	Member
Switzerland	Petra Zimmermann	Member
Switzerland	Nicolas Perritaz	Expert
Turkey	Mehrali Ecer	Alternate member
Turkey	Esin Olgaç Savan	Expert
Turkey	Nihal Başcı	Expert
Designated by the EP	Klaus Jacob	Member
EC – DG ENV	Gilles Gantelet	Member
EC – DG ENV	Josiane Masson	Observer
EC – JRC	Greet Janssens-Maenhout	Observer
EC – DG RTD	Jean Dusart	Observer



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organisation		observer/ expert)
EC – DG CLIMA	Yvon Slingenberg	Observer
EC – DG CLIMA	Jürgen Salay	Observer
EC – DG CLIMA	Vicky Pollard	Observer
Eurostat	Viveka Palm	Alternate member
EEA Scientific Committee	Per Mickwitz	SC Chair
European Scientific Advisory Board for Climate Change	Ottmar Edenhofer	Guest
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	Luc Bas	EEA SMT
EEA	Riyong Kim	EEA SMT
EEA	Aga Biegaj	EEA
EEA	François Dejean	EEA
EEA	John Van Aardenne	EEA
EEA	Said El Khadraoui	EEA
EEA	Milan Chrenko	EEA
EEA	Angelika Tamasova	Staff committee
EEA	Jasmiina Laurmaa	MB Secretariat
EEA	Pia Schmidt	MB Secretariat
EEA	Dana Bjurner	MB Secretariat



Annex 3:

# MEETING DATES IN 2023 MANAGEMENT BOARD, BUREAU, SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND NFP/EIONET

## VERSION 2 JUNE 2022

Proposed date
Thursday 26 January 2023
Tuesday-Wednesday, 7-8 February
Tuesday, 28 February
Wednesday, 1 March
Wednesday, 22 March 2023
Thursday, 23 March 2023
Wednesday, 10 May 2023
Tuesday-Wednesday, 23-24 May
Wednesday, 7 June 2023
Thursday, 8 June 2023
Tuesday-Wednesday, 13-14 June
Thursday, 5 October 2023
Tuesday-Thursday, 10-12 October
Tuesday-Wednesday, 24-25 October
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Wednesday, 6 December 2023*

\*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 30 November for the Management Board meeting and 29 November 2023 for the Bureau meeting.