



**Summary of main points from the 55th Scientific Committee meeting,
26 February 2013, Copenhagen**

- **Attendance:** in accordance to annex 2

FOR DECISION – Items 1-3

- **01. Adoption of the draft agenda – [Adopted](#)**
- **02. Approval of the summary of the 54th Scientific Committee held on 1 October 2012** – the summary of the 54th SC meeting was approved without changes ([link](#)).

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- **03. Update by the Scientific Committee Chairman, including feedback from recent meetings attended by SC members on EEA behalf**

The Chair, Sybille van den Hove, welcomed the new seven members of the EEA Scientific Committee to their first official meeting. She gave an overview of the selection process, mentioning that the call had attracted 240 applications.

In addition, the Chair informed of the finalisation and launch of Late Lessons vol.2 in Brussels at the European Parliament, DG Environment and Friends of Europe.

Furthermore, she informed the SC that the new EEA Executive Director would take up his duties on 1 June 2013, as well as calling for volunteers to participate in the selection committee for the recruitment of an expert on air quality.

Jean Louis Weber reported on his work on ecosystems accounting in the University of Nottingham, on behalf of the EEA.

Pierluigi Cocco reported he had participated in a NRC Environment and Health meeting in December and had been working on the Environment and Human Health report being produced by the EEA & JRC, EEA Report No 5/2013: ([link](#)).

- **04. Update by EEA on major developments since the last SC meeting**

The Executive Director reported on Late Lessons vol.2 and its, overall positive, media coverage.

Further to that she gave the floor to the SC members, in particular the new ones, for any questions they had on the different areas covered by the work programme.

- **05. Update by DG Research**

Birgit de Boissezon gave an overview of Horizon 2020 ([link](#)) and invited the SC members to register in a call for expression of interests to participate in the future H2020 Advisory Groups. Deadline: 6 March 2013.

- **06. New EEA strategy 2014-2018. Process, SC input to MB seminar, and SC opinion on strategy/MAWP**

The Executive Director gave an overview of the process leading to the approval of the MAWP 2014-2018 and stressed the roles of the Scientific Committee, National Focal Points and Management Board in the development of the MAWP. She stressed that the formal consultation of the document would happen over summer.

With regard to the SC input to the MB seminar on the new strategy, the Executive Director said there was a need to reflect on the outcome of the EEA five-year evaluation; furthermore, she invited the SC members to advise the EEA on the articulation of areas that should be covered by the new strategy.

In closing, the Chair invited the Committee members to focus on the systemic approach as outlined in strand 2.

- **07. SOER 2015**

The representative of the EEA gave an overview of the state of play in the process leading to the publication of the SOER 2015 report, and SC engagement.

- **08. ETC review 2012-2013**

The representative of the EEA informed of the status of the ETC review 2012-2013.

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- **09. SC opinion on EEA five-year evaluation report - [Adopted](#)**

The Chair informed that the opinion had to be finalised and agreed through email before the Management Board meeting in March.

The SC members reflected on the evaluation report and in particular on recommendation 5 which relates to SC work.

- **10. SC Opinion recruitment of EEA scientific staff - Adopted**

Taken document [EEA/SC/55/10](#) as read, the Executive Director gave an overview of the recruitment of scientific staff planned for 2013-2014.

The Chair invited the members to send feedback on the draft opinion to the SC Secretariat by the end of the following day; the opinion would be considered as adopted in the absence of comments by the deadline.

- **11. Feedback joint EEA-SC seminar on Transport, Mobility and Environment**

Peter Novak gave feedback on the outcome of the TME seminar held in Slovenia on 1 October 2012.

- **12. SC work plan 2013-2014 - Approved**

The SC approved the work plan for 2013 and early 2014.

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- **17. EEA Publication plan 2013. Update**

The SC took note of the updated publication plan ([link](#))

- **18. AoB**

The 55th SC was the last SC meeting attended by Executive Director Prof Jacqueline McGlade, as her second term would come to an end on 31 May 2013. She thanked the SC members for their dedication to the work of the Agency and valuable contributions during her mandate.

In closing, the SC Chair and SC members thanked Prof McGlade for her continued efforts to raise the profile of the EEA and the environment.

Approved by the Scientific Committee on 2 October 2013

SIGNED

Dr Sybille van den Hove, Chair Scientific Committee

ANNEX 1 - Agenda of the 55th meeting of the EEA Scientific Committee

FOR DECISION

1. Adoption of draft agenda
2. Approval of the summary of the 54th Scientific Committee held on 3 October 2012

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5. Update by DG Research
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13. EEA Publication Plan 2013
14. AoB

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26 - 27 February 2013

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