



LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE
118TH BUREAU MEETING, 17 JUNE 2026

Agenda item	Outcome	Comments
Opening of the meeting	The Chair welcomed participants.	Participants did not declare any interests which could be considered to be prejudicial to their independence with respect to any of the points on the agenda of the open session of the Bureau.
FOR ADOPTION		
1 Agenda of the 118 th Bureau meeting	The meeting agenda was adopted. The Bureau took note of the request from a member to raise an item under point 8 – Feedback from Bureau members.	
FOR DISCUSSION		
2 Follow-up to the previous Bureau meeting (6 May 2026)	The Bureau took note of follow-up items to the Bureau meeting of 6 May 2026.	Printed copies of the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030 will be available to MB members during the MB meeting. Most of the topics discussed in the May Bureau meeting were to prepare for the June MB meeting. A Bureau member may raise elements of the previous Bureau discussion on how to improve the geographical spread of candidates in future calls for members of the European Scientific Advisory Board for Climate Change (ESABCC), when Ottmar Edenhofer, the Chair of the ESABCC, joins the MB meeting to present the 2026 work programme.
3 Preparations for the next Multi-annual Financial Framework 2028-2034	The Bureau took note of the recent developments regarding the next Multi-annual Financial Framework (MFF) 2028-2034. The Chair highlighted the importance for the Bureau and the MB to stay tuned regarding future developments.	The member representing the European Commission referred to a ‘negotiating box’ that was made available by the Cypriot Presidency of the Council of the EU, including figures and terms of reference for the negotiations. The member also confirmed that there were no changes to the initial MFF proposal. EEA representatives mentioned that the EU Agencies Network had discussed some figures related to EU agencies, and that no major changes were expected regarding Agencies.
FOR BUREAU ORIENTATION IN PREPARATION OF THE 109TH MANAGEMENT BOARD		
4 109 th MB meeting agenda	The Bureau took note of the MB meeting agenda and of the online participation of Mr Oleksii Sobolev, Minister of Economy, Environment and Agriculture of Ukraine, and Deputy Minister Yegor Perelygin in the meeting.	The MB Chair asked members to arrive on time, as the Minister would deliver his intervention to the MB at 9:10 CEST.
5 Preparation of Bureau recommendations for MB decisions	<u>A. Revision of Management Board and Bureau rules of procedure</u> The Bureau recommended the MB to adopt the revised draft MB and Bureau rules of procedure (RoP).	A member welcomed the proposal to invite EEA cooperating countries to observe MB meetings online, and for one of them to join in person. The Executive Director (ED) highlighted the EEA’s openness to further engage with civil society and



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(MB agenda items 6A-6D)	The Bureau had an initial discussion on the proposed options on civil society, trade/business association stakeholder participation in the MB. The Bureau also had an initial discussion on the next steps regarding the observership of EEA cooperating countries in MB meetings. The Bureau welcomed the idea to celebrate at the December MB meeting both new cooperating countries joining the EEA. <u>B. Review of EEA Key Performance Indicators (KPIs): second phase</u> The Bureau recommended the MB to adopt the proposed set of the EEA's Phase 2 KPIs with a focus on policy uptake and public debate. <u>C. EEA final accounts 2025</u> The Bureau recommended the MB to adopt the proposed opinion on the EEA's final accounts 2025. <u>D. MB/Bureau meeting calendar 2027</u> The Bureau recommended the MB to approve the MB/Bureau meeting calendar for 2027 with minor amendments (see annex 3 of this decision list).	business associations, and to organise annual or biannual events back-to-back with flagship report publications regardless of the option chosen by the MB. She mentioned the model of the Fundamental Rights Agency in Vienna that organises large events in cooperation with the Austrian government and the city of Vienna. Such a model could be explored for the EEA in Copenhagen with the cooperation of the city and the Danish government. The ED confirmed that the EEA could get back to the Bureau in October with a proposal based on the MB's decision. The Chair of the Scientific Committee (SC) proposed to discuss the topic of scientific uptake, which will not be part of the KPIs, in the next SC meeting with the participation of the European Parliament designates of the MB. The Bureau welcomed the proposal. The SC Chair will update the MB in December on the discussion. The Chair noted a clerical error in the title of page 6 of annex 3 of the document on final accounts, which should read 'year in brief 2025' instead of 2024. The draft meeting calendar was updated to include the location of all 2027 MB meetings, which would take place in person in Copenhagen. Following the request from a member, the MB Secretariat checked that the dates of the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA) meeting (foreseen 6-10 December 2027) would not clash with the proposed December Bureau and MB meeting dates.
6	Preparation of Management Board discussion on Europe's Environment	The Bureau prepared the MB discussion on lessons learnt from Europe's Environment 2025 and on the timing of the next edition.
FOR INFORMATION		
7	Update on EEA-Eionet Evaluation 2022-2026	The Bureau welcomed the update by the European Commission member on the timeline, next steps, governance aspects and expectations for the upcoming EEA-Eionet Evaluation 2022-2026. The Bureau also noted that the sunset clause regarding the review of the EEA founding regulation would be part of A member asked whether it would be possible for the EEA to close all follow-up items to the EEA-Eionet evaluation 2017-2021 by the end of 2026, as the EEA update to the MB indicates that an item (the Quality Management System - QMS) would be completed in 2027. The ED replied that the foundations of the QMS would be in place by the end of 2026 but that more time would be needed to complete this heavy project.



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	this evaluation, as it is part of every other evaluation in line with the Better Regulation guidelines. The Bureau also noted that a call for evidence open to all stakeholders is foreseen as part of the evaluation. The Bureau agreed that the European Commission representative would update the Bureau on the latest developments on the evaluation at the October meeting. They also agreed that the Bureau would discuss how the MB would organise themselves to work on the topic, with the setup of a Management Board Advisory Committee (MBAC) as an option.	The observer from a non-EU member state noted that the evaluation should focus on EEA member countries, instead of EU Member States as indicated in the background document. The Chair thanked Julia Werner again for her work as Chair of the former MBAC that was set up to follow the previous EEA-Eionet Evaluation 2017-2021. The Chair also highlighted the importance for the European Commission to select a good consultant to work on the 2022-2026 evaluation. Once it is published, the MB Secretariat will share the call for evidence with the MB to enable input from the MB and the network.
8 Feedback from Bureau members	The Bureau took note of the information shared by the Finnish member on national activities on the modernisation of monitoring. Following her request to explore how to help countries share experiences and learn from each other on the topic of monitoring, the Bureau concluded that Eionet (e.g. Eionet National Focal Points or an Eionet working group) would be a more appropriate forum than the MB to bring the topic forward given that the EEA has a facilitating role but has no direct role in monitoring. The Bureau took note of the documents provided for information: the overview of audits and the 2024 draft report to the discharge authorities.	The MB Secretariat will share the Finnish action plan on monitoring with the MB once the English version becomes available. The ED invited other countries to share similar action plans and programmes for the EEA to share with the Eionet network. The Chair handed over the follow-up to the request from the Finnish member to Katja Rosenbohm (EEA) to find the right Eionet forum to bring the topic forward. The SC Chair highlighted that the TAIEX-Environmental Implementation Review (EIR) organises peer-to-peer learning events for countries on monitoring issues.
CLOSED SESSION		
9 Preparation of election of MB Chair	The Bureau prepared the election of the Management Board Chair for a three-year term starting on 1 September 2026.	The MB Chair declared an interest in relation to the agenda point. The most senior Vice-Chair in position took over the chairing of this agenda item as a mitigating measure.
10 Preparation of follow-up discussion to confidential item	The Bureau took note of the update on the developments related to the confidential MB closed session item. The Bureau took note that the subgroup mandated by the MB in March to follow-up on the topic designated Julia Werner as the Chair of the subgroup as of 17 June 2026.	The MB Chair will update the MB on the developments on this item in the MB closed session.

The meeting closed at 18:45



Approved by the EEA Bureau at its 118th meeting
17 June 2026

Signed

André Weidenhaupt
Chair, EEA Management Board

Annexes

- Annex 1: Final agenda of 118th Bureau meeting, 17 June 2026
- Annex 2: Participants list, 118th Bureau meeting, 17 June 2026
- Annex 3: Draft calendar of MB/Bureau meeting dates 2027

**Agenda of the 118th Bureau meeting****Thursday, 17 June 2026, 16:00-18:30, Copenhagen**

AGENDA ITEM	DOCUMENTS
FOR ADOPTION	
1. Agenda of the 118 th Bureau meeting	EEA/BU/118/01

FOR DISCUSSION	
2. Follow-up to the previous Bureau meeting (6 May 2026)	Verbal update
3. Preparations for the next Multi-annual Financial Framework 2028-2034 (standing item)	Verbal update

FOR BUREAU ORIENTATION IN PREPARATION OF THE 109th MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING	
4. 109 th MB meeting agenda	EEA/MB/109/01
5. Preparation of Bureau recommendations for MB decisions (MB agenda items 6A-6D): - Revision of Management Board and Bureau rules of procedure - Review of EEA Key Performance Indicators (KPIs): second phase - EEA final accounts 2025 - MB/Bureau meeting calendar 2027	EEA/MB/109/06A EEA/MB/109/06B EEA/MB/109/06C EEA/MB/109/06D
6. Preparation of Management Board discussion on Europe's Environment	EEA/MB/109/07

FOR INFORMATION	
7. Update on EEA-Eionet Evaluation 2022-2026	EEA/BU/118/07
8. Feedback from Bureau members	Verbal update

CLOSED SESSION	
9. Preparation of Management Board Chair election	EEA/MB/109/15
10. Preparation of follow-up discussion to confidential item	Verbal update

Documents provided for information (no discussion in the meeting unless raised by a Bureau member under agenda item 7 Feedback from Bureau members):

- Overview of audits (EEA/BU/118/11)
- 2024 draft report to the discharge authorities (EEA/BU/118/12)


Participants list, 117th Bureau meeting, 17 June 2026 16:00-18:30 CEST, EEA

Name	Represented country/ organisation	Role	Presence
André Weidenhaupt	Luxembourg	Chair	Present
Elisabeth Freytag-Rigler	Austria	Vice-Chair	Present
Aljoša Duplić	Croatia	Vice-Chair	Present
Laura Höijer	Finland	Vice-Chair	Present
Julia Werner	Germany	Vice-Chair	Present
Stefano Laporta	Italy	Vice-Chair	Present
Valerie Drézet-Humez	European Commission (DG ENV)		Present
Lena Neij	Member designated by the European Parliament		Present
Leena Ylä-Mononen	EEA	Executive Director	Present
Louis Meuleman	Chair of the Scientific Committee		Present
Martine Rohn-Brossard	Switzerland	Observer from non-EU member state	Present
Yvon Slingenberg	European Commission (DG CLIMA)	Standing observer	Present
Saverio Marcaletti	European Commission (DG ENV)	Invited observer	Present
Jürgen Salay	European Commission (DG CLIMA)	Invited observer	Present
Eva Jensen	EEA		Present
Riyong Kim	EEA		Present
Karl Hamilton	EEA		Present
Katja Rosenbohm	EEA		Present
Søren Nielsen	EEA		Present
Milan Chrenko	EEA		Present
Anne-Marie Buttolo	EEA		Present
Jasmiina Laurmaa	EEA/MB Secretariat		Present



ANNEX 3

DRAFT MEETING DATES IN 2027
MANAGEMENT BOARD, BUREAU, SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND NFP/EIONET

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Meeting	Proposed date
Bureau (EEA, Copenhagen)	Wednesday 27 January 2027, 10:00-16:00
NFP/Eionet meeting	Wednesday-Thursday 10-11 February 2027 (TBC)
Scientific Committee meeting	Wednesday-Thursday 24-25 February 2027
Bureau (EEA, Copenhagen)	Wednesday 17 March 2027, 16:00-18:30
Management Board (EEA, Copenhagen)	Thursday 18 March 2027, 09:00-16:00
Bureau (online)	Tuesday 11 May 2027, 10:00-12:00
Scientific Committee meeting	Wednesday-Thursday 19-20 May 2027
NFP/Eionet meeting (online)	Wednesday-Thursday 9-10 June 2027
Bureau	Wednesday 16 June 2027, 16:00-18:30
Management Board (EEA, Copenhagen)	Thursday 17 June 2027, 09:00-16:00
Bureau (online)	Wednesday 5 October 2027, 10:00-12:00
NFP/Eionet meeting	Wednesday-Thursday 6-7 October 2027
Scientific Committee meeting	Wednesday-Thursday 27-28 October 2027
Bureau (EEA, Copenhagen)	Wednesday 1 December 2027, 16:00-18:30
Management Board (EEA, Copenhagen)	Thursday 2 December 2027, 09:00-16:00