



**LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE 110<sup>TH</sup>**  
**BUREAU MEETING, 7 MAY 2025**

Agenda item	Outcome	Comments
Opening of the meeting	<p>The Chair welcomed participants, including the new member representing the European Commission. He thanked Milan Chrenko and Dana Bjurner for stepping in during Jasmiina Laurmaa's absence from the MB Secretariat.</p> <p>The Bureau noted that the non-EU observer on the Bureau provided written comments to some agenda items</p>	<p>Valérie Drezet-Humez, the new Director for General Affairs, Knowledge and Resources at DG ENV, is the new Bureau/MB member representing the European Commission. Gabriella Manganelli is the new DG ENV contact point for the EEA following Josiane Masson's departure.</p> <p>Jasmiina Laurmaa is back in her role in the MB Secretariat. The Chair invited members to approach her again regarding MB and Bureau meetings.</p>
<b>FOR ADOPTION</b>		
1	Agenda of the 110 <sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting	The meeting agenda was adopted.
<b>FOR GUIDANCE</b>		
2	Dissemination of Internal Audit Service reports	<p>The Bureau recommended that the MB takes a decision that Internal Audit Service (IAS) reports are shared with MB Vice-Chairs.</p> <p>IAS reports are currently shared with the MB Chair, the Executive Director and the MB member representing the European Commission. The MB will take a decision to extend dissemination to MB Vice-Chairs at their 18 June meeting.</p>
<b>FOR DISCUSSION</b>		
3	Follow-up to the previous Bureau and Management Board meeting	<p>On a proposal from the Chair, the Bureau agreed that draft Bureau and MB decision lists would be shared with members for silent approval before they are finalised and signed by the Chair.</p> <p>After 15 calendar days, comments by members to the draft MB and Bureau decision lists would be considered for inclusion and the decision list adopted as the final version. In the absence of comments in 15 calendar days, the decision lists would be considered adopted.</p>
4	Towards the future of the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030	<p>The Bureau provided feedback on the future of the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030 process, including strategic areas of focus for upcoming MB meetings and how to present the outcomes of the process.</p> <p>The Bureau agreed to ask the EEA to produce a repository of documents related to the Strategy ahead of the October MB meeting, under the MB Teams space. A leaflet will be prepared which highlights focus areas for the remaining five years of the Strategy.</p> <p>The Bureau agreed with the EEA's proposal to schedule an additional Bureau meeting between end of October and early November to prepare for landing the Strategy 'renovation' process in December.</p> <p>Several members confirmed the importance of monitoring, simplification and strengthening partnership with networks as key topics to be covered in the second half of the Strategy, including by the MB in October.</p> <p>A member suggested addressing environmental monitoring more broadly by showing the MB concrete examples of how Copernicus data is used. The member proposed that this topic and how it relates to opportunities in the next Multi-annual Financial Framework (MFF) could be developed further in a possible new Management Board Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Members mentioned the importance of feeding in the evaluation's outcomes and recommendations.</p> <p>The Chair highlighted the importance of members to stay in touch with their counterparts in finance ministries regarding the place of the EEA in the next Multi-annual Financial Framework (MFF).</p>

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	<p>The Bureau agreed that upcoming Bureau and MB meetings should be designed to get the best possible outcomes with the tools and limitations at hand. They acknowledged the limitations of online meetings for engaging discussions.</p>	<p>Several members focused on the importance of MB engagement and buy-in in the Strategy ‘renovation’ process.</p> <p>Members also highlighted that the outcome of the Strategy ‘renovation’ should be readable outside of the EEA community. The outcome should be short and not a rewritten Strategy.</p> <p>The EEA Executive Director highlighted that December would be the natural end of the Strategy revision process, as the next Single Programming Document 2026-2028 to be adopted then starts covering the second half of the Strategy. The EEA will clarify next steps at the June MB meeting and ensure that the outcome of the process is clear.</p> <p>Discussions on this topic will continue at the June Bureau and MB meetings.</p>
<p>5 Draft Agenda for Management Board meeting 18 June 2025</p>	<p>The Bureau took note of the proposal for the revised draft agenda for the online MB meeting of 18 June and provided suggestions for additional topics.</p> <p>The Bureau asked to ensure that sufficient time is dedicated to the discussion on the future of the Strategy and that the format is fit-for-purpose.</p>	<p>A placeholder will be added with an update from the Commission on EEA enlargement to cover possible developments regarding Moldova and potential Management Board decision to grant the status of EEA cooperating country.</p> <p>The agenda item on the EEA update will include the follow-up to the EEA evaluation which will be clearly indicated in brackets.</p> <p>The finalised agenda will be sent ahead of the MB meeting.</p>
<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>		
<p>6 MBAC ETC Design update</p>	<p>The Bureau welcomed the update from the Chair of the Management Board Advisory Committee (MBAC) on European Topic Centre (ETC) design.</p> <p>Bureau members welcomed the overall process, as well as following aspects: aims for continuity combined with higher flexibility, clearer links to Eionet, reduced administrative burden including ways to manage potential conflicts of interest, and the importance of the IAS’s audit on “European Topic Centres in the European environment Agency”.</p>	<p>The work of the MBAC is progressing as anticipated with good engagement from members and support from the EEA. The MBAC will present their proposal for the new ETC design for MB endorsement at their June meeting.</p> <p>A member suggested exploring the enhanced role of the new ETCs to increase the capacity of the EEA to absorb new tasks in light of limited resources.</p>
<p>7 Update on the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change call</p>	<p>The Bureau took note of the update on the call for new members of the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change (ESABCC) and of the responses to comments.</p>	<p>The call for new ESABCC members will be slightly amended based on the comments received, to better indicate the time ESABCC members will require to perform the work, to encourage younger scientists to apply, and to extend the deadline to 15 September to overcome possible issues related to the summer period.</p>

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8 Update on EEA-Eionet Evaluation - Action Plan for Management Board	The Bureau took note of the update on the EEA-Eionet Evaluation action plan for the Management Board.	The EEA is working on the follow-up actions to the evaluation. The EEA plans to launch the second phase of the update of the Agency's Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), including elements on how to measure the Agency's impact. The progress on the action plan will be included in the EEA update of the June MB meeting. The Chair aims to come with a suggestion on how to tackle the update of the MB and Bureau rules of procedure in the second half of the year.
9 Feedback from Bureau members	<p>The Bureau took note of additional points from Bureau members and observers.</p> <p>The Bureau asked the EEA to provide more clarity at the June MB meeting on the plans for autumn events around the launch of the European Environment – State and Outlook 2025.</p> <p>Another member asked to be updated in case of issues with Reportnet.</p>	<p>The Acting Chair of the Scientific Committee reminded that interested MB members are invited to observe the upcoming Scientific meeting and seminar on 20-21 May. The MB Secretariat will share the link to join the SC meeting and seminar.</p> <p>The Chair proposed to have a future discussion on inviting environmental and industry NGOs to MB meetings as observers, which is the case for the boards of several EU Agencies in line with the Aarhus convention.</p> <p>The EEA agreed to provide updates in case of major issues or upgrades with Reportnet, following a request from the representative of the European Commission (DG ENV).</p>

*The meeting closed at 11:05*

Approved by the EEA Bureau at its 110<sup>th</sup> meeting  
7 May 2025

*[Signed]*

André Weidenhaupt  
Chair, EEA Management Board

#### Annexes

- Annex 1: Final agenda of 110<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting, 7 May 2025  
Annex 2: Participants list, 110<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting, 7 May 2025

**Agenda of the 110th Bureau meeting**  
**Wednesday, 7 May 2025, 09:00-11:30, online**

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	
<b>FOR ADOPTION</b>	
1. Agenda of the 110 <sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting	EEA/BU/110/01

<b>FOR GUIDANCE</b>	
2. Dissemination of Internal Audit Service reports	EEA/BU/110/02

<b>FOR DISCUSSION</b>	
3. Follow-up to the previous Bureau and Management Board meeting	Verbal update
4. Towards the future of the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030	EEA/BU/110/04
5. Draft Agenda for Management Board meeting 18 June 2025	EEA/BU/110/05

<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>	
6. MBAC ETC Design update	Verbal update
7. Update on the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change call	Verbal update
8. Update on EEA-Eionet Evaluation - Action Plan for Management Board	Verbal update
9. Feedback from Bureau members	Verbal update


**Participants list, 110<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting, 7 May 2025 9:00-11:30 CEST, online**

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