



**LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE  
86TH MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 3-4 DECEMBER 2019**

Agenda item	Outcome	Comments
<b>AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS</b>		
FOR ADOPTION		
1. Draft agenda of the 86th Management Board meeting	The MB adopted the agenda as drafted.	The final meeting agenda is included in <b>Annex 1.</b>
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
2. 85th Management Board meeting decision list, 20 June 2019	The Board adopted the decision list of the 85th Management Board meeting, held on 20 June 2019, in Copenhagen.	
3. Update by the Management Board Chair	The Board took note of the update from the Chair.  Decisions since the 85th Board meeting in June: <i>Chair decision:</i> Working Group for EEA/Eionet strategy – appointment of members <i>Written procedures:</i> Budget 2019: 1st amendment Updated procurement plan 2019 Revised EEA Financial Regulation	The decisions adopted by Written Procedure came into force on 22 November.
A. CAAR 2019: Process and timelines	The Board reviewed and endorsed the proposed process and timetable for the development and adoption of the Consolidated Annual Activity Report (CAAR) 2019.	
B. Overview of audits	The Board took note of the EEA audits and auditor's visits to the Agency since the 85th MB of June 2019.	
C. Draft EEA budget 2021	The Board took note of the EEA's intentions regarding the increased budget request for 2021 and the implications on the subsequent resource profile for the MFF period 2021-2027.	
<b>FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION</b>		
STRATEGIC ORIENTATION		
4. EEA/Eionet Strategy 2021-2030: Draft Vision, Rationale and Strategic Objectives	The Board took note of and provided broad support for the draft outline document. Based on the feedback from the Management Board and Advisory Committee, a revised first full draft of the strategy will be discussed at the Board meeting in March 2020. The Board seminar in March will provide a further opportunity to align the strategy with the	A first draft strategy will be available in March and stakeholder consultation will be organised in March-April. The final version of the strategy will be brought to the Management Board for adoption at the meeting on 11 June 2020.



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	environmental challenges and operational priorities of the EEA.	
5. SOER 2020 Communication update	The Board took note of the update and outreach programme.	
<b>UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK</b>		
6. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair	The Management Board took note of the update by the Chair of the Agency's Scientific Committee (SC).	
7. Update by the Executive Director (including EEA Publication Plan for 2019 update)	The Board took note of the update by the Executive Director on activities in the period 15 May-15 October 2019, including the aggregated quantitative data for the EEA on the basis of the agreed Key Performance Indicators (KPIs).	
8. Update by the European Commission	The Board took note of the update by the European Commission on activities and legislative processes during the period June- November 2019.	The new EU Commission, presided by Ursula von der Leyen, took office on 1 December 2019 and will table an ambitious proposal for a European Green Deal in December 2019.
<b>FOR DECISION</b>		
<b>EEA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR — CLOSED SESSION</b>		
9. Approval of Key Performance Indicators for the Executive Director	The Board approved the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the Executive Director until the end of the MAWP 2014–2020. The proposed approach is to extend the current KPIs until the end of 2020.	
10. Appraisal of the Executive Director: Appointment of reporting officers	The Board agreed upon the key responsibilities in the appraisal process for the EEA Executive Director for reporting year 2019.	There will be a rotation of Reporting Officers from 2020.
<b>SPECIAL SESSION</b>		
<b>Presentation:</b> Priorities of the Croatian and German EU Presidencies of the Council of the European Union in relation to the European Green Deal and forthcoming 8th Environment Action Plan priorities.	The Board took note of the main priorities of the two upcoming 2020 EU presidencies. These were presented by Branimir Pavlinec, Croatia and Karsten Sach, Germany.	
<b>FOR DECISION (PRE-PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)</b>		
11. 81st Bureau meeting 3 December 2019: Decision list, including items 11A-11F below.	The Board took note of the decision list from the 81st Bureau meeting (Decision EEA/BU/2019/021)	
A. Eurostat Work Programme for 2020	In view of the positive outcome of the inter-service consultation, the Management Board considers as final the conditional approval of 20 June 2019 (Decision EEA/MB/2019/014, <b>Annex 2</b> ).	
B. Initial draft Single Programming Document (SPD) 2021-2023: Management Board review and	The MB delegated the adoption of the draft EEA Single Programming Document 2021-2023 to the Bureau as recommended by the Bureau at their	



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delegation of adoption to the Bureau	meeting on 3 December (Decision EEA/MB/2019/026); a first simplified draft of the SPD 2021-2023 encompassing information requested by the Commission/DG BUDG will be sent at the end of January; and, the MB endorsed the proposal to delay substantive consultation on the second draft EEA Single Programming Document 2021-2023 to May 2020 as recommended by the Bureau.	
C. EEA Single Programming Document (SPD) 2020-2022, including the Annual Work Programme 2020 and Procurement Plan for 2020: Adoption of SPD 2020-2022 and ETC financing decision for 2020	The MB adopted the final draft of the EEA SPD 2020-2022 including the Annual Work Programme for 2020 and the Procurement Plan 2020 (Decision EEA/MB/2019/022). The final draft is in line with the budget amendment for 2020. Financial tables in the SPD 2020-2022 will be updated accordingly. The Management Board took note of the opinion and comments on the SPD from the European Commission, EP ENVI committee and EEA Scientific Committee. The MB adopted the financing decision concerning the European Topic Centres in 2020 (Decision EEA/MB/2019/023)	
D. EEA Annual Budget 2020	The MB adopted the EEA annual budget 2020 (Decision EEA/MB/2019/025), including the amendment to the EEA annual budget resulting from the European Parliament and Council decision on the EU Annual Budget 2020 decision (increasing the EEA's core EU subvention (Decision EEA/MB/2019/028)).	The budget proposal includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EEA core funds consisting of the European Union subvention and contributions from the European EFTA and new member countries; and</li> <li>- EEA non-core revenue under the Delegation Agreement with the European Commission (DG GROW) on Copernicus</li> </ul>
E. ETC Review process	The MB approved the overall review process and approach for the designation of new European Topic Centres (Decision EEA/MB/2019/027); including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The establishment of a Review Committee to investigate and bring forward proposals concerning the topic areas to be covered;</li> <li>- The approval of the composition and outline mandate of the Review Committee; and</li> <li>- The delegation of the power to appoint the members of the Review Committee to the Chair of the EEA Management Board.</li> </ul>	The EEA will initiate the process leading to the designation by the Management Board of new European Topic Centres before end 2021, taking into account the Bureau request that the EEA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adjusts the timetable to permit sufficient time for the work of the Review Committee;</li> <li>- Considers appropriate conflict of interest criteria;</li> <li>- Considers the membership of scientific committee representatives on the Review committee as several will complete their terms during the review process.</li> </ul>
F. Annual audit plan 2020 of the Internal Audit Capability (IAC)	The MB adopted the 2020 annual internal audit plan proposed by the Agency's Internal Audit Capability.	

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<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>		
12 Feedback from Management Board members	This was the last meeting for two Management Board members, Valéry Morard, France and Marc Chardonens, Switzerland, who took the opportunity to thank their fellow Management Board members for many years of successful collaboration.	The valuable contributions of both members were recognised by the Executive Director and the Chair on behalf of the entire EEA Management Board.

*The meeting closed at 10.30.*

Approved by the EEA Management Board by Written Procedure  
15 January, 2020

*[Signed]*

Laura Burke  
Chair, EEA Management Board

#### **Annexes**

- Annex 1: Final agenda of 86th Management Board meeting, 3-4 December 2019
- Annex 2: Decision on Eurostat Statistical Work Programme 2020 (Decision EEA/MB/2019/014)
- Annex 3: Participants list, 86th Management Board meeting, 3-4 December 2019

**Annex 1 Agenda of the 86th Management Board meeting,  
Tuesday, 3 December 2019, 14.30-18.00, and Wednesday, 4 December 2019, 9.00-12:30,  
at Albert Borschette Congress Center, Brussels**

**Tuesday, 3 December 2019 (14.30–18.00h)**

<b>AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS</b>
FOR ADOPTION
1. Adoption of draft agenda
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK
2. 85th Management Board meeting decision list, 20 June 2019
3. Update by the Management Board Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. CAAR 2019: Process and timelines</li> <li>B. Overview of audits</li> <li>C. Draft EEA budget 2021</li> </ul>

<b>FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION</b>
STRATEGIC ORIENTATION
4. EEA/Eionet Strategy 2021-2030: Draft Vision, Rationale and Strategic Objectives
5. SOER 2020 Communication update

<b>UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK</b>
6. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair
7. Update by the Executive Director (including EEA Publication Plan for 2019 update)
8. Update by the European Commission

<b>FOR DECISION</b>
EEA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR — CLOSED SESSION
9. Approval of Key Performance Indicators for the Executive Director
10. Appraisal of the Executive Director: Appointment of reporting officers

**DINNER at RESIDENCE PALACE, Rue de la loi 155, 1040 - Bruxelles (from 19.00 onwards)**

**Wednesday, 4 December 2019 (09:00 – circa 12.30h)**

**Coffee break (10.30h)**

<b>SPECIAL SESSION (09:30-10:30)</b>
<b>Presentation:</b> Priorities of the Croatian and German EU Presidencies of the Council of the European Union in relation to the European Green Deal and forthcoming 8th Environment Action Plan priorities.

<b>FOR DECISION (PRE-PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)</b>
11. 81st Bureau meeting 3 December 2019: Decision list, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Eurostat Work Programme for 2020</li> <li>B. Initial draft Single Programming Document (SPD) 2021-2023: Management Board review and delegation of adoption to the Bureau</li> <li>C. EEA Single Programming Document (SPD) 2020-2022, including the Annual Work Programme 2020 and Procurement Plan for 2020: Adoption of SPD 2020-2022 and ETC financing decision for 2020</li> <li>D. EEA Annual budget 2020</li> <li>E. ETC Review process</li> <li>F. Annual audit plan 2020 of the Internal Audit Capability (IAC)</li> </ul>

<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>
12. Feedback from Management Board members

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>DOCUMENTS</b>
<b>FOR ADOPTION</b>	
1. Agenda of the 81st Bureau meeting	EEA/BU/81/01

<b>FOR BUREAU GUIDANCE</b>	
2. CAAR 2019: Process and timelines	EEA/BU/81/02

<b>ITEMS FOR BUREAU ORIENTATION IN PREPARATION OF THE 86TH MANAGEMENT BOARD</b>	
3A Overview of audits	EEA/BU/81/03A
3B Eurostat Work Programme for 2020	EEA/MB/86/11A
3C EEA Annual budget 2020	EEA/MB/86/11D
3D Draft EEA budget 2021	EEA/BU/81/03D
3E Initial draft Single Programming Document (SPD) 2021-2023: Management Board review and delegation of adoption to the Bureau	EEA/MB/86/11B
3F EEA Single Programming Document (SPD) 2020-2022, including the Annual Work Programme 2020 and Procurement Plan for 2020: Adoption of SPD 2020-2022 and ETC financing decision for 2020	EEA/MB/86/11C
3G ETC Review process	EEA/MB/86/11E
3H Annual audit plan 2020 of the Internal Audit Capability (IAC)	EEA/MB/86/11F

<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>	
4. Outcome EEA discharge process 2017 and follow-up of discharge 2018	EEA/BU/81/04
5. Feedback from Bureau members	[Verbal update]

**DECISION OF THE EEA MANAGEMENT BOARD  
ON THE EUROSTAT STATISTICAL WORK PROGRAMME 2020**

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

**HAVING REGARD** to Regulation (EC) No 401/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the European Environment Agency (hereinafter referred to as ‘EEA’) and the European Environment Information and Observation Network (hereinafter referred to as ‘Eionet’) (codified version)<sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 15(1) and Annex B(2) thereof;

**HAVING REGARD** to the Rules of Procedure of the Management Board and the Bureau of the European Environment Agency as adopted by the Management Board on 25 November 2015 (MB decision number 016/EEA/MB(74)-GOV/2015), in particular Article 2(7) thereof;

**HAVING REGARD** to the letter from Eurostat (acting) Director Christine Wirtz to the EEA Executive Director and the Chair of the Management Board on the ‘*Draft Eurostat statistical work programme 2020 in the field of environment*’, of 24 May 2019;

**HAVING REGARD** to the Agency’s assessment of the work programme provided to the Management Board in preparation of its 85th meeting of 20 June 2019;

WHEREAS

- (1) The statistical programme in the field of environment shall be agreed between the Executive Director and the Director-General of Eurostat, and shall be submitted for approval to the EEA Management Board;
- (2) The Executive Director informed the Management Board of the Agency’s positive assessment of the draft Eurostat statistical work programme 2020 in the field of environment;
- (3) The Management Board agreed with the Executive Director’s assessment.

HAS DECIDED

*Article 1 – Conditional approval*

1. The Management Board decided on the conditional approval of the Eurostat statistical programme for 2020 in the field of the environment.

*Article 2 – Review of revised Eurostat statistical work programme*

1. The EEA shall review the revised Eurostat Work Programme 2020, submitted to it by Director-General of Eurostat by December 2019.
2. The EEA shall inform the Agency’s Management Board of the review outcome, at the occasion of the Management Board meeting in December 2019. The Agency shall advise the Management Board

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 126 of 21.5.2009, p. 13.

accordingly on the need, if any, for further action as per the formal requirement in the EEA/Eionet Regulation is.

*Article 3 – Final approval*

1. The approval in this decision shall be final in case the EEA assesses that no further action as per the formal requirement in the EEA/Eionet Regulation is required ('positive review outcome'), following the review in accordance with Article 2.
2. In case the EEA review, in accordance with Article 2, indicates that further action as per the formal requirement in the EEA/Eionet Regulation is required; the decision in Article 1 shall be void, and the Management Board shall take a decision on the final approval revised Eurostat statistical work programme for 2020, at its December meeting in 2019.

*Article 4*

This decision shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

Approved by the EEA Management Board at its 85th meeting  
in Copenhagen, 20 June 2019

*[Signed]*

Laura Burke  
Chair, EEA Management Board



**Annex 3: Participants list, 86th Management Board meeting, Tuesday, 3 December 2019, 14.30-18.00, and Wednesday, 4 December 2019, 9.00-12.30, at Albert Borschette Congress Center, Brussels**

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86th Management Board		
Name		Represented country
Elisabeth Freytag-Rigler	Member	Austria
Georg Rebernik	Alternate	Austria
Véronique Verbeke	Member	Belgium
Atanas Kaymaktchiev	Alternate	Bulgaria
Branimir Pavlinec	Alternate	Croatia
Michal Pastvinský <b>Vice-chair</b>	Member	Czechia
Tejs Binderup	Member	Denmark
Margit Martinson	Member	Estonia
Pekka Harju-Autti	Alternate	Finland
Valéry Morard	Member	France
Julia Werner Vice-chair	Member	Germany
Petros Varelidis	Member	Greece
Teréz Krisztina Szabó	Member	Hungary
Laura Burke Chair	Member	Ireland
Alessandro Bratti Vice-chair	Member	Italy
Luca Demicheli	Expert	Italy
Stefano LaPorta	ISPRA	Italy
Alda Ozola Vice-chair	Member	Latvia
Vytautas Narusevicius	NFP	Lithuania
Pierre Prum	Alternate	Luxembourg
Jetske Verkerk	Member	Netherlands
Bjørn Bjørnstad	Member	Norway
Paweł Ciećko	Member	Poland
Katarzyna Wiech	Alternate	Poland
Nuno Lacasta	Member	Portugal
Marilena Doncuta	Alternate	Romania
Richard Müller	Alternate	Slovakia
Lilijana Kozlovič	Member	Slovenia
Javier/Maj-Britt	Member	Spain
Anna Ottmalm	Member	Sweden
Marc Chardonens	Member	Switzerland
Nicolas Perritaz	NFP	Switzerland
Arzu Nuray	Expert	Turkey
Fatma Nur Cebecioğlu	Expert	Turkey
Ana Petrovska	Observer	North Macedonia
Svetlana Gjorgjeva	Observer...	North Macedonia
Klaus Jacob		EP designate alt.
Lena Neij		EP designate
Josiane Masson	Observer	DG ENV
Gilles Gantelet		DG ENV
Greet Maenhout		JRC
John Bell		DG RTD
Artur Runge-Metzger		Observer DG CLIMA
Jan Nill		DG CLIMA
Jean-François Hulot		DG RTD
Christine Wirtz		Eurostat
Per Mickwitz (Chair)	Observer	SC