

Decision EEA/MB/2020/008

# LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE 88<sup>TH</sup> MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 11 JUNE 2020

Agenda item		Outcome	Comments
	AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS		
	FOR ADOPTION		
1	Agenda of the 88th Management Board meeting	The Management Board (MB) adopted the agenda as drafted.	The final meeting agenda is included in Annex 1.
	FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
2	Update by the Management Board Chair	The MB endorsed the renewal of André Weidenhaupt's mandate as a Vice-Chair for a second mandate from 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2023. The MB took note of the update from	The complete outcomes of the 10 June Bureau meeting are available in decision list EEA/BU/2020/007.
		the Chair.  Decisions taken since the 86th Board meeting in December 2019:  - The MB adopted Implementing Rules applying to Contract Agents in January to allow for indefinite contracts.  - The MB appointed the European Topic Centre (ETC) review committee in	MB members and alternate members are again requested to submit their CVs and declarations of interest (DoI) to the MB Secretariat. Already submitted CVs and DoIs are available on the <u>EEA website</u> .
		<ul> <li>February.</li> <li>The MB agreed on the areas of the Scientific Committee call 2020 via written procedure and the call was launched early June.</li> <li>The Bureau adopted the Consolidated Annual Activity Report (CAAR) 2019 via written procedure on 5 June.</li> </ul>	The MB usually approves the Eurostat Work Programme for the following year at its June meeting. Due to Covid-19 related delays, the usual adoption is replaced by a written procedure starting
		Topics covered at the Bureau on 10 June:  - Update on audits  - Updated EC guidelines on SPD and CAAR: the Commission will update the Bureau at a later stage on what will change for the SPD 2022-2024 and the CAAR 2020.  - The European Parliament granted the EEA discharge for 2018. The MB took note of the reminder from the Chair to submit their CVs and declarations of interest, which is a formal requirement.	

Observations from the Board will be collected on the Eurostat work

programme 2021 via a written procedure.

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3	Report from the Management Board Advisory Committee on the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030	The Board took note of the report from the Chair of the Management Board Advisory Committee on the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030. The Committee concluded their work at their final meeting that took place virtually in May. The Chair welcomed the fact that most elements of the future strategy are now in place. A virtual MB meeting is foreseen in October to discuss the strategy before its adoption at the end of the year. The Chair welcomed the fact that three NFPs were part of the committee to ensure the link between the MB and Eionet. The Management Board Advisory Committee stressed the important role of the modernisation of Eionet and of the ETC review in ensuring the delivery of the strategy. The Chair proposed that the Eionet modernisation would be part of the upcoming MB discussion on the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030. The Chair concluded that the work on the strategy is already bringing results.	
	Opening of the election of the MB Chair	The MB opened the electronic vote for the re- election of Laura Burke, the current Chair of the Management Board, for a second mandate of three years.	
	FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION		
4	Outcome of the ETC review committee	The MB heard a presentation by the Chair of the review committee and exchanged views on the outcome of the committee's work. The review committee proposed an overall structure of ETCs from 2022 to 2025 based on greater integration, and recognising the importance of systemic analysis. The new structure will be aligned with the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030, as well as environment and climate policies (EGD, 8 <sup>th</sup> EAP, SDGs). The MB also discussed the EEA response to the ETC review committee's findings.  Members welcomed the integrated approach and highlighted aspects for further reflection by the ETC review committee and EEA: the need for cooperation with National Reference Centres (NRC), topics not visibly covered by the proposed ETCs (e.g. soil), the risk of the large size of some ETCs, the importance of collaboration and innovation. They also highlighted the importance of considering the funding mechanism of ETCs and their governance mechanism in order to address the incentive for countries to nominate organisations to engage in the consortia. The MB Chair concluded that members can send additional comments in writing to the MB Secretariat by 19 June 2020.	The EEA proposed response includes seven ETCs for 2022 2025: Biodiversity and ecosystems, Climate change mitigation, Climate change adaptation and LULUCF, Human health and the environment, Resource use and circular economy, Sustainability trends, prospects and responses, an Data integration and digitalisation.  The ETC review committee and EEA will follow up on the comments received during and after the meeting. The review committee will finalis their work by the end of the summer and report to the Bureau in October.

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	UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
5	Update by the European Commission (including withdrawal of the UK from the European Union)	The MB took note of the update by the European Commission on the progress regarding the European Green Deal, the state of play of the next Multi-annual Financial Framework and the new EU recovery package, as well as upcoming Horizon Europe calls.	The adoption of the Commission proposal for the 8 <sup>th</sup> EAP is expected to be delayed until the end of 2020.
6	Update by the Scientific Committee Chair	The MB took note of the update by the Chair of EEA's Scientific Committee (SC), including their work on the impact of the Covid-19 crisis on health and wellbeing, their role in providing input to the EEA-Eionet strategy 2021-2030 and the upcoming SC consultation on the SPD 2021-2023.	
7	Update by the Executive Director	The MB took note of the update by EEA's Executive Director on the progress of planned activities in 2020 and the impact of the Covid-19 crisis on the Agency; and also the work of the EEA in the overall current EU context (European Green Deal, stimulus and economic recovery package, MFF).	
	FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)		
8	84 <sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting 10 June 2020: Decision list, including:  A. Upcoming MB meetings under Covid-19  B. Final accounts 2019  C. Changes to the procurement plan 2020  D. Scientific Committee renewals	The MB took note of the decision list from the 81st Bureau meeting (EEA/BU/2020/007).  The MB took the following decisions based on the advice from the Bureau:  A. The MB agreed:  - to cancel the additional physical MB meeting that was foreseen in September.  - to hold an additional virtual MB meeting on 12 October to discuss the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030 before its adoption at the end of 2020.  - to postpone the 19 November MB meeting to 10 December 2020.  B. The MB approved its opinion on final accounts 2019.  C. The MB approved the updated EEA procurement plan 2020.  D. The MB approved the renewal of six Scientific Committee members for another term of four years.	The amendments to the meeting calendar 2020 are available in Annex 3.  The 19 November MB meeting is postponed to 10 December 2020 due in part to the delay in the adoption of the Commission proposal for the 8 <sup>th</sup> EAP, and in order to allow clarification on human resources and the final budget for 2021. This later meeting will allow EEA to come forward with a more complete SPD 2021-2023 in terms of budget and resource planning.
9	Election of the Management Board Chair	The MB elected Laura Burke for a second mandate as MB Chair, from 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2023. MB members welcomed the result of the election.	The election report is available in Annex 4.

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	FOR INFORMATION			
10	Update on the German Presidency of the Council of the EU	The MB took note of the main priorities of the German Presidency of the Council of the EU, presented by Julia Werner. The MB took note of the dates of the informal Council dates: 29 September-1 October. As a result, the MB agreed to cancel the Bureau meeting, which was tentatively foreseen on 30 September.	Germany will take over the rotating EU Council Presidency in July 2020, followed in sequence by Portugal and Slovenia in 2021.	
11	2020 call for expression of interest for Seconded National Experts (SNE) and National Experts in Professional Training (NEPT)	The MB took note of the recently launched call for expression of interest for Seconded National Experts (SNE) and National Experts in Professional Training (NEPT). The MB also took note of the invitation for them to encourage candidates to apply.	EEA's standard approach to the contract duration of SNEs will be two years, with a possible renewal for another two years (maximum four-year secondment). Future SNE calls from 2021 onwards will be more frequent and will contain fewer profiles, in line with the regular recruitment approach.	
12	Feedback from Management Board members	The MB took note of the publication of the EEA-FOEN report 'Is Europe living within the limits of our planet?'.  MB members welcomed the positive experiences of the first virtual MB meeting and the electronic election.		
	FOR DECISION (CLOSED SESSION)			
13	Outcome of the Executive Director's 2019 appraisal	The MB took note of the very positive outcome of the Executive Director's appraisal for 2019.		

The meeting closed at 17.30.

Approved by the EEA Management Board at the 88<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting

11 June 2020

[signed]

Laura Burke Chair, EEA Management Board

#### **Annexes**

Annex 1: Final agenda of 88<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting, 11 June 2020

Annex 2: Participants list, 88<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting, 11 June 2020

Annex 3: Amended meeting calendar 2020

Annex 4: MB Chair election: results report, 11 June 2020

#### Annex 1:

## Agenda of the 88<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting 11 June 2020, (14:00-17:30 CEST), video conference on Microsoft Teams

#### AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

FOR ADOPTION

1. Adoption of draft agenda

FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK

- 2. Update by the Management Board Chair
- 3. Report from the Management Board Advisory Committee on the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030

#### FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION

4. Outcome of the ETC review committee

Opening of the election of the Management Board Chair and break

#### **UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK**

- 5. Update by the European Commission (including withdrawal of the UK from the European Union)
- 6. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair
- 7. Update by the Executive Director

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

- 8. 84<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting 10 June 2020: Decision list, including:
  - A. Upcoming MB meetings under Covid-19
  - B. Final accounts 2019
  - C. Changes to the procurement plan 2020
  - D. Scientific Committee renewals
- 9. Election of the Management Board Chair

#### **FOR INFORMATION**

- 10. Update on the German Presidency of the Council of the EU
- 11. 2020 call for expression of interest for Seconded National Experts (SNE) and National Experts in Professional Training (NEPT)
- 12. Feedback from Management Board members

#### **FOR DECISION**

**CLOSED SESSION** 

13. Outcome of the Executive Director's 2019 appraisal

Annex 2: Participants list, 88<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting, Thursday 11 June 2020, 14:00–17:30 CET, video conference

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member,	Attendance
, ,, ,		alternate	
		member,	
		observer/expert)	
Austria	Georg Rebernig	Alternate member	Present
Belgium	Véronique Verbeke	Member	Present
Bulgaria	Atanas Kaymaktchiev	Alternate member	Present
Bulgaria	Tanya Vladimirova	Expert	Present
Cyprus	Demetris Koutroukides	Expert	Present
Cyprus	Joanna Constantinidou	Expert	Present
Czech Republic	Michal Pastvinsky	Member	Present
Czech Republic	Adela Jirickova	Alternate member	Present
Denmark	Tejs Binderup	Member	Present
Denmark	Anders Fink	Expert	Present
Estonia	Margit Martinson	Member	Present
Finland	Tanja Suni	Member	Present
France	Diane Simiu	Member	Present
Germany	Julia Werner	Member	Present
Greece	Petros Varelidis	Member	Present
Hungary	Zita Gellér	Alternate member	Present
Hungary	Ágnes Szijártó	Observer	Present
Iceland	Garðar Svavar Gíslason	Alternate member	Present
Ireland	Laura Burke	Chair, member	Present
Italy	Alessandro Bratti	Member	Present
Italy	Felice Cappelluti	Alternate member	Present
Italy	Luca Demicheli	Expert	Present
Latvia	Alda Ozola	Member	Present
Latvia	Silvija Nora Kalnins	Alternate	Present
Luxembourg	André Weidenhaupt	Member	Present
Luxembourg	Pierre Prum	Alternate member	Present
Malta	Michelle Piccinino	Member	Present
Montenegro	Lidija Scepanovic	Observer	Present
Montenegro	Mina Mijanovic	Observer	Present
Netherlands	Jetske Verkerk	Member	Present
Norway	Bjørn Bjørnstad	Member	Present
Poland	Paweł Ciećko	Member	Present

Poland	Anna Katarzyna Wiech	Alternate member	Present
Romania	Mircea Fechet	Member	Present
Slovak Republic	Barbora Bátorová	Member	Present
Slovenia	Barbara Bernard Vukadin	Alternate member	Present
Spain	Ismael Aznar	Member	Present
Sweden	Anna Otmalm	Member	Present
Switzerland	Martine Rohn- Brossard	Member	Present
Switzerland	Nicolas Perritaz	Expert	Present
Turkey	Arzu Nuray	Expert	Present
Designated by the European Parliament	Klaus Jacob	Alternate member	Present
Designated by the European Parliament	Lena Neij	Member	Present
European Commission (DG ENV)	Gilles Gantelet	Member	Present
European Commission (DG ENV)	Josiane Masson	Observer	Present
European Commission (JRC)	Giovanni De Santi	Alternate member	Present
European Commission (JRC)	Greet Janssens- Maenhout	Observer	Present
European Commission (Eurostat)	Christine Wirtz	Alternate member	Present
European Commission (DG RTD)	Jose Jimenez- Mingo	Observer	Present
European Commission (DG CLIMA)	Artur Runge- Metzger	Observer	Present
European Commission (DG CLIMA)	Yrjö Mäkelä	Observer	Present
EEA Scientific Committee	Per Mickwitz	SC Chair	Present
EEA	Hans Bruyninckx		Present
EEA	Paul McAleavey		Present
EEA	Soren Nielsen		Present
EEA	Katja Rosenbohm		Present
EEA	Chris Steenmans		Present
EEA	Martin Adams		Present
EEA	Eva Jensen		Present
EEA	Ronan Uhel		Present
EEA	Suzanne Dael		Present
EEA	Tim Haigh		Present
EEA	Jasmiina Laurmaa	MB Secretariat	Present
	Pia Schmidt	MB Secretariat	Present

## Annex 3: Amended list of meetings 2020

# MEETING DATES IN 2020 MANAGEMENT BOARD, BUREAU, SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND NFP/EIONET

### **VERSION 2.0**

Meeting	Modified by the MB on 11/06/2020(*)
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Wednesday, 4–5 February 2020
75th Scientific Committee and seminar	Cancelled
Joint MB-SC seminar (5th SOER 2020 Stakeholder Interaction Process event)	Cancelled
Bureau (virtual meeting)	Wednesday, 26 March 2020
87th Management Board	Cancelled
Bureau (virtual meeting)	Wednesday, 6 May 2020
NFP/Eionet meeting (virtual meeting)	Tuesday-Wednesday, 26–27 May 2020
76th Scientific Committee and seminar (virtual meeting)	Wednesday-Thursday, 3–4 June 2020
Bureau (virtual meeting)	Wednesday, 10 June 2020 (14.00–16.30)
88th Management Board (virtual meeting)	Thursday, 11 June 2020 (14.00–17.30)
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Wednesday, 6–7 October 2020
Bureau (virtual meeting)	Monday, 12 October 2020 (10.00-12.00)
Additional virtual Management Board meeting (EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030)	Monday, 12 October 2020 (14.30-17.30)
77th Scientific Committee and seminar	Wednesday-Thursday, 28–29 October 2020
Bureau	Wednesday, 9 December 2020 (16.30–19.00)
89th Management Board	Thursday, 10 December 2020

### **Notes**

<sup>(\*)</sup> Meetings of the Management Board and Bureau are organised as physical meetings in Copenhagen scheduled from 09.00 until 17.00, unless mentioned otherwise in the calendar.



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# Results - 2020 election of EEA Management Board Chair

**Start:** 2020-06-11 14:00:00 Europe/Copenhagen **End:** 2020-06-11 16:40:00 Europe/Copenhagen

**Turnout:** 27 (93.1%) of 29 electors voted in this ballot.

# Select one of the options for the re-election of Laura Burke as Management Board Chair (second mandate):

Option	Votes
Vote in favour: I support Laura Burke's re-election.	27 (100.0%)
Vote against: I do not support Laura Burke's re- election.	0 (0.0%)

#### **VOTER SUMMARY**

Total	27
Abstain	0 (0.0%)



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