

Decision EEA/MB/2020/025

LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE 90^{TH} MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 10 DECEMBER 2020

Agenda item		Outcome	Comments	
	AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The Management Board (MB) welcomed new members and alternates since the October meeting, as well as representatives from Albania.	Albania took part in the meeting as part of the rotating observership of the Western Balkan countries in MB meetings.	
	FOR ADOPTION			
1	Agenda of the 90th Management Board meeting	The Management Board (MB) adopted the agenda of the meeting.	The final meeting agenda is included in Annex 1.	
	FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK	<		
2	MB decision lists: 88 th meeting (11 June 2020) and 89 th meeting (12 October 2020)	The MB adopted the decision lists of the 88 th and 89 th meetings.		
3	Update by the Management Board Chair	The MB took note of the update from the Chair. Decisions taken since the 12 October meeting via written procedure: • Amendment to EEA budget 2020 • Adoption of implementing rules to the Staff Regulations (4 by analogy, 3 model decisions for EEA) • Internal Audit Capability (IAC) work programme 2021	The complete outcomes of the 9 December Bureau meeting are available in decision list EEA/BU/2020/024. The Bureau received documents for information (CAAR 2020 timelines, discharge 2018 and 2019 follow-up, overview of audits.	
		 Switzerland is ending the two-year term as observer from non-EU Member States in the Bureau. Iceland agreed to take over the observer role for the next two-year term. The Bureau will welcome them from January onwards. In case of a late approval of the EU budget 2021 by the budgetary authorities, a MB written procedure would be launched to request a deviation to the 12th scheme foreseen in the EEA Financial Regulation. The deviation would allow for e.g. the payment of rent and the pre-financing of European Topic Centres. The MB Secretariat remains available for questions if a written procedure is required. 	The MB Secretariat remains available in case of questions related to the provision of CVs and declarations of interest. New members and alternates will get some time to complete the documentation. Members and alternates who are yet to submit parts of their information are encouraged to do so.	

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		 Further to the recommendations in the discharge report 2018, the Chair thanked the MB members for their efforts to comply with the requirement in the Financial Regulation to publish their CVs and declarations annually on EEA's website. 	
	UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
4	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, including the presentation on the Zero Pollution ambition by Veronica Manfredi (DG ENV), updates on the European Climate Pact (DG CLIMA), developments related to the Knowledge Centre for Biodiversity, the observatories on EU soil and on deforestation and forest degradation (DG JRC), as well as the importance of collaboration in the upcoming Horizon Europe call related to the European Green Deal (DG RTD).	DG ENV invited the MB members to contribute to the ongoing public consultation on the Zero Pollution ambition. The Green Week in the spring 2021 will be dedicated to the Zero Pollution ambition.
5	Update by the Scientific Committee Chair	The MB took note of the update by the Scientific Committee (SC) Chair, including the SC opinion on the Single Programming Document 2021-2023, the last SC meeting in October, as well as the work leading to the designation of new SC members.	
6	Update by the Executive Director	The MB took note of the update by the Executive Director, including the efforts by EEA to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on staff and network resilience, the delivery of the annual work programme, key developments as well as the ongoing cooperation with other EU Agencies and Commission partner DGs.	
7	Priorities of the Portuguese and Slovenian Presidencies of the Council of the EU	The MB took note of the priorities of the Portuguese and Slovenian Presidencies of the Council of the EU in 2021, in the areas of environment and climate.	

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	SPECIAL SESSION 11:00-11:45		
Hooijer, Director-General in DG Environment since 1 September 2020, will address the Management Board, followed by a Q&A session ti a w S ti u r e e e e n		The MB welcomed special guest Florika Fink-Hooijer, Director-General in DG ENV since 1 September 2020. Ms Fink-Hooijer addressed the MB on the key role of EEA-Eionet and national environment agencies in delivering the European Green Deal (EGD) through the implementation of the 8 th Environment Action Programme (8 th EAP) and the overall green agenda of the EU. She welcomed the alignment of the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030 with the priorities outlined in the EGD and 8 th EAP. In the context of the upcoming Multi-annual Financial Framework and recovery plans and funds, Ms Fink-Hooijer encouraged the countries to play their part in ensuring the right public investments are made to mitigate impacts on the environment and climate.	Ms Fink-Hooijer encouraged countries to take part in the upcoming public consultation on the Biodiversity Strategy.
11E	Designation of new Scientific Committee members	The MB exchanged views on these topics. The MB approved the designation of new Scientific Committee members.	
	FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION		
	STRATEGIC ORIENTATION		
9	Ensuring Adequate Resources in Countries to Deliver the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030	The MB took note of the update by the co-chairs of the Eionet Modernisation Working Group, and the invitation by the Executive Director to initiate a mapping of resources dedicated to Eionet at country-level (funding and resources). The MB exchanged views on the resourcing of Eionet. There was broad agreement that further opportunities to discuss strategic issues would be facilitated at MB level. Some members raised the possibility to set up working groups such as the MB Advisory Committee on the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030, when appropriate.	Countries will undertake a mapping of Eionet capacities at the country level. Board review of this mapping will take place in the first half of 2021. The assessment of engagement and resources dedicated to Eionet at country-level will be on the agenda of the extraordinary MB meeting on 16 September 2021.
	FOR DECISION (PRE-PREPARED IN		
	THE BUREAU)		
10	Adoption of the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030	The MB adopted the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030, with full support and commitment.	
11	86 th Bureau meeting 9 December 2020: Decision list, including: A. Eurostat Work Programme for 2021	The MB took note of the decision list from the 86 th Bureau meeting (EEA/BU/2020/024).	The revised meeting calendar 2021 is available in Annex 3.
	 B. Adoption of Single Programming Document (SPD) 2021-2023 including (1) EEA Annual budget 2021 and (2) financing decision on ETCs for 2021 C. Initial draft Single Programming Document (SPD) 2022-2024, including (1) draft EEA budget 2022, 	The MB took the following decisions based on the advice from the Bureau: A. The MB approved the Eurostat Work Programme for 2021. B. The MB adopted: • the Single Programming Document 2021-2030 • the EEA Annual budget 2021 • the financing decision on ETCs for 2021	



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E	(2) Management Board review, and (3) delegation of adoption to the Bureau D. Decision on ETC calls Designation of new Scientific Committee members (approved earlier in the meeting) Revised meeting calendar 2021	C. The MB approved the delegation of the adoption of the initial first draft SPD 2022-2024 to the Bureau. D. The MB: Adopted the terms of reference for the award of Framework Partnership Agreements Approved the designation process and mandated the EEA ED to launch the calls for proposals Delegated the appointment of members of the Opening and Evaluations Committees to the Chair of the Management Board The MB adopted the revised meeting calendar 2021.	
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mem	bers	December, the MB thanked Paul McAleavey for the cooperation throughout the years.	
FOR	DECISION	the cooperation throughout the years.	
CLOS	ED SESSION		
	oval of Key Performance ators for the Executive tor	The MB took note of the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the Executive Director for reporting year 2020, as agreed at the MB meeting in December 2019.	
	aisal of the Executive Director: ointment of reporting officers	The MB agreed upon the key responsibilities in the appraisal process for the EEA Executive Director for reporting year 2020.	

The meeting closed at 15:00.

Approved by the EEA Management Board at the 90th Management Board meeting

10 December 2020

[Signed]

Laura Burke Chair, EEA Management Board

Annexes

Annex 1: Final agenda of 90th Management Board meeting, 10 December 2020

Annex 2: Participants list, 90th Management Board meeting, 10 December 2020

Annex 3: Revised meeting calendar 2021

Annex 1:

Agenda of 90th Management Board meeting (Microsoft Teams) Thursday, 10 December 2020, 9:30-12:00 and 13:30-15:30

AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

FOR ADOPTION

1. Adoption of draft agenda

FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK

- 2. MB decision lists: 88th meeting (11 June 2020) and 89th meeting (12 October 2020)
- 3. Update by the Management Board Chair

UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK

- 4. Update by the European Commission (including withdrawal of the UK from the European Union)
- 5. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair
- 6. Update by the Executive Director
- 7. Priorities of the Portuguese and Slovenian Presidencies of the Council of the EU

FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)

11E. A. Designation of new Scientific Committee members*

SPECIAL SESSION 11:00-11:45

8. Our special guest Florika Fink-Hooijer, Director-General in DG Environment since 1 September 2020, will address the Management Board, followed by a Q&A session

FOR GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION

9. Ensuring Adequate Resources in Countries to Deliver the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030

FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)

- 10. Adoption of the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030
- 11. 86th Bureau meeting 9 December 2020: Decision list, including:
 - A. Eurostat Work Programme for 2021
 - B. Adoption of Single Programming Document (SPD) 2021-2023 including (1) EEA Annual budget 2021 and (2) financing decision on ETCs for 2021
 - C. Initial draft Single Programming Document (SPD) 2022-2024, including (1) draft EEA budget 2022, (2) Management Board review, and (3) delegation of adoption to the Bureau
 - D. Decision on ETC calls*
 - E. Designation of new Scientific Committee members*(moved to earlier in the meeting)
 - F. Revised meeting calendar 2021

FOR INFORMATION

- 12. Signature of memoranda of understanding between the EEA and Western Balkan countries
- 13. Feedback from Management Board members

FOR DECISION

CLOSED SESSION

- 14. Approval of Key Performance Indicators for the Executive Director*
- 15. Appraisal of the Executive Director: Appointment of reporting officers*

^{*}Documents for agenda points 11D, 11E, 14 and 15 are confidential and will not be uploaded to Eionet Forum. MB members will receive them separately.

Annex 2: Participants list, 90th Management Board meeting, Thursday 10 December 2020, 09:30–15:30 CET, video conference

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert)	Attendance
Austria	Elisabeth Freytag- Rigler	Member	Present
Belgium	Michiel Van Peteghem	Member	Present
Bulgaria	Atanas Kaymaktchiev	Alternate member	Present
Bulgaria	Tanya Vladimirova	Expert	Present
Croatia	Branimir Pavlinec	Alternate member	Present
Cyprus	Irene Constantinou	Alternate member	Present
Cyprus	Joanna Constantinidou	Expert	Present
Czech Republic	Michal Pastvinsky	Member	Present
Czech Republic	Klára Kipielová	Alternate member	Present
Denmark	Henrik Hedeman Olsen	Alternate member	Present
Estonia	Margit Martinson	Member	Present
Finland	Tanja Suni	Member	Present
France	Diane Simiu	Member	Present
France	Regis Farret	Expert	Present
Germany	Julia Werner	Member	Present
Greece	Petros Varelidis	Member	Present
Hungary	Ágnes Szijártó	Member	Present
Hungary	Zita Gellér	Alternate member	Present
Iceland	Herdís Schopka	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 member	Present

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert)	Attendance
Lithuania	Aldona Margeriené	Alternate member	Present
Luxembourg	André Weidenhaupt	Member	Present
Luxembourg	Pierre Prum	Alternate member	Present
Luxembourg	Eric De Brabanter	Expert	Present
Malta	Michelle Piccinino	Member	Present
Malta	Claudine Cardona	Expert	Present
Netherlands	Marieke Spijkerboer	Member	Present
Netherlands	Kees Schotten	Expert	Present
Norway	Ingunn Limstrand	Alternate member	Present
Norway	Magnhild Sletten	Expert	Present
Poland	Anna Katarzyna Wiech	Alternate member	Present
Poland	Malgorzata Bednarek	Expert	Present
Portugal	Nuno Lacasta	Member	Present
Portugal	Águeda Silva	Expert	Present
Romania	Marilena Doncuta	Alternate member	Present
Slovakia	Katarína Belobradová	Member	Present
Slovakia	Michal Maco	Alternate member	Present
Slovakia	Katarína Koskova	Expert	Present
Slovenia	Iztok Slatinšek	Member	Present
Slovenia	Barbara Bernard Vukadin	Alternate member	Present
Spain	Ángela Matia Sacristán	Alternate member	Present
Spain	Rafael David	Expert	Present
Sweden	Anna Otmalm	Member	Present
Switzerland	Nicolas Perritaz	Expert	Present
Turkey	Mehrali Ecer	Alternate member	Present
Designated by the European Parliament	Lena Neij	Member	Present

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert)	Attendance
Designated by the European Parliament	Klaus Jacob	Alternate member	Present
European Commission (DG ENV)	Gilles Gantelet	Member	Present
European Commission (DG ENV)	Florika Fink-Hooijer	Guest speaker	Present
European Commission (DG ENV)	Veronica Manfredi	Guest speaker	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 (DG RTD)	Jose Jimenez-Mingo	Observer	Present
European Commission (DG CLIMA)	Jürgen Salay	Observer	Present
European Commission (DG CLIMA)	Yrjö Mäkelä	Observer	Present
EEA Scientific Committee	Per Mickwitz	SC Chair	Present
Albania	Edison Konomi	Observer	Present
Albania	Oriana Hanxhari	Observer	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	Jock Martin		Present
EEA	Eva Jensen		Present
EEA	Riyong Kim		Present
EEA	Suzanne Dael		Present
EEA	Teresa Ribeiro		Present
EEA	Milan Chrenko		Present
EEA	Malene Bruun		Present
EEA	Elena Ostariz		Present

Represented country/organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/expert)	Attendance
EEA	Jasmiina Laurmaa	MB Secretariat	Present
EEA	Pia Schmidt	MB Secretariat	Present
EEA	Dana Bjurner	MB Secretariat	Present
EEA	Marisa Turanzas	MB Secretariat	Present

Annex 3: Meeting dates 2021

MEETING DATES IN 2021 MANAGEMENT BOARD, BUREAU, SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND NFP/EIONET

Meeting	Date
Bureau (virtual)	Thursday 28 January 2021 (14:00-16:30)
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Wednesday, 2-3 February 2021
Scientific Committee	Wednesday-Thursday 10-11 February 2021
Bureau	Wednesday, 24 March 2021
91st Management Board	Thursday, 25 March 2021
Bureau (virtual)	Thursday, 6 May 2021 (14:00-16:30)
Scientific Committee	Wednesday-Thursday, 26-27 May 2021
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Wednesday, 18-19 May 2021
OR	
MB/NFP/SC/EEA strategic networking event	Wednesday, 16 June 2021
(with NFP meeting on previous day)	
Bureau	Wednesday, 16 June 2021
92 nd Management Board	Thursday, 17 June 2021
Bureau (virtual)	Wednesday, 15 September 2021 (14:00–16:30)
93 rd Management Board (virtual)	Thursday, 16 September 2021 (14:30-17:30)
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Thursday, 12–14 October 2021
Scientific Committee	Tuesday-Wednesday, 19-20 October 2021
Bureau	Wednesday, 8 December 2021*
94 th Management Board	Thursday, 9 December 2021*

^{*}At the time of the proposal, the ENV Council dates were not known. Should the proposed dates coincide with ENV Council dates, alternative dates are 2 December 2021 for the 94th Management Board meeting and 1 December 2021 for the Bureau meeting.