

Decision EEA/MB/2025/020

## LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE 106TH MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 1 OCTOBER 2025

Agenda item		Outcome	Comments	
	AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The Management Board (MB) Chair welcomed new members since the June MB meeting, and participants including the representative from Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Participants did not declare any interests which they considered to be prejudicial to their independence with respect to any of the points on the agenda.	
			Bosnia and Herzegovina 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 106 <sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting	The Management Board (MB) adopted the agenda of the meeting.		
	JOINT SESSION M	ANAGEMENT BOARD/EIONET NATIONAL FOCA	L POINTS	
2	Collective reflections on Europe's Environment 2025: outcomes, implications for the work of	The Management Board and Eionet National Focal Points discussed the implications of Europe's Environment 2025 for the work of the EEA and Eionet, and in particular how its messages resonate at the country and EU levels, how the messages can be used as catalysts for action and impact, and how	The discussion was supported by interventions from panelists: MB members from Estonia, Sweden, the European Commission (DG ENV), the Eionet National Focal Point from France and the EEA.	
	EEA/Eionet	environment fits in a context of shifting priorities at EU and national levels.	The EEA Executive Director (ED) invited participants who wished to provide further input to reach out to the MB Secretariat. They reiterated the EEA's offer to contribute to country outreach events for Europe's Environment 2025.	
3	Towards a renovated EEA- Eionet Strategy 2021-2030: state of play and consultation	The Management Board and Eionet National Focal Points took note of the state of play of the renovation of the EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-	The MB consultation will be open from 6 to 17 October.	
		2030 and next steps in the process.  The Management Board also took note of the letter from the NFP working group on the Strategy on priority Eionet needs for the Strategy.	The Bureau will discuss the updated draft following the MB consultation at their meeting on 3 November. The final draft renovated Strategy will be submitted for MB adoption at their meeting on 4 December.	
	FOR INFORMATION	ON AND FEEDBACK		
4	105 <sup>th</sup> MB Decision list (June 2025)	The MB took note that the 105 <sup>th</sup> MB decision list was adopted following a 72-hour silent procedure.	This decision list will also be approved via silent procedure.	

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5	Update by the Management Board Chair (verbal update)	The MB took note of the update by the Chair.  Decisions/written procedures since June MB meeting:  MB written procedure to adopt a set of implementing rules to the staff regulations by analogy (bluebook traineeship scheme, rules for Seconded National Experts, education allowance, and application of a number of Commission decisions by analogy)  MB Chair decision to designate the members of the evaluation committee to identify the most suitable candidates for the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change  Written procedure to collect MB comments on the Eurostat work programme 2026 in the field of environment	The MB Chair, in their capacity of Chair of the evaluation committee to identify suitable candidates for the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change (ESABCC), gave a status update on the selection procedure following the closure of the call for expressions of interest on 15 September. The MB will be asked to designate members of the ESABCC at the 4 December meeting, based on a proposal by the evaluation committee.  The Bureau took a decision in November 2024 to adopt the initial procurement plan 2025, which should have been a MB decision. The EEA will launch a written procedure to adopt a MB decision to replace this Bureau decision, and will exceptionally ask the MB to adopt updates to the initial procurement plan	
		<ul> <li>Expected written procedures:</li> <li>MB written procedure to adopt a MB decision to replace the Bureau decision of November 2024 on the adoption of the initial procurement plan 2025 and updates to the initial procurement plan 2025</li> <li>Sensitive posts guideline</li> <li>Update to anti-fraud policy</li> <li>Update to policy on prevention and management of conflicts of interest</li> </ul>	2025 as part of the written procedure. The MB normally adopts the initial procurement plan, and the Bureau has a standing delegation from the MB to approve updates to the procurement plan.  The upcoming update to the EEA's policy on the prevention and management of conflicts of interest may also be covered in a meeting instead of a written procedure, as there are some implications for the MB which may be	
6	Update by the Executive Director (verbal update)	The MB took note of the update by the Executive Director (ED), namely on Europe's Environment 2025 and Reportnet.	worth discussing.  The Executive Director thanked the MB and all the countries for their joint efforts for the flagship report Europe's Environment 2025 and their work to localise the outreach activities.  The ED gave an update on the EEA's action plan to further develop Reportnet on the long run, which aims to ensure readiness for core workflows and for legislative work. These technical improvements will require investments in the years to come.	
	FOR STRATEGIC			
7	Towards a renovated EEA-	The MB welcomed the presentations by the Finnish and Italian MB members on national examples and opportunities for	Components for the EEA to consider in the Strategy renovation:	

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member representing the European

environmental monitoring, and by the MB

Eionet Strategy

2021-2030:

opportunities

Opportunities and limitations for

monitoring

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within environmental monitoring, simplification and strengthening partnerships with networks	Commission (DG ENV) on simplification pathways that could be relevant for the EEA-Eionet.  The MB discussed what to include in the renovated Strategy on monitoring and simplification, and what the MB could discuss in future meetings in relation to these topics.  The MB Chair highlighted that the implementation of the Strategy would be operationalised in the annual work plans in the Single Programming Documents.	<ul> <li>Efficiency and cost efficiency, streamlining</li> <li>Access to data</li> <li>Ensuring use of the latest technologies and modern tools the successful implementation of the EEA's Digital Capability Strategy is crucial to the success of the EEA-Eionet Strategy. Specific tools should not be mentioned in the text.</li> <li>Co-creation, partnerships and synergies: convening power of EEA-Eionet. The role of Eionet should be strengthened in the Strategy and its implementation</li> <li>Outdated processes should not be digitised. Monitoring system should be fit for purpose on the long run.</li> <li>Monitoring is a priority. Simplification can be part of it e.g. via digitalisation, without lowering data quality or environmental protection. Balance on purposes for which countries are asked to provide data.</li> <li>Clarify: who would provide guidance and training; role of Copernicus in the Strategy; role of ESTAT and EEA in Copernicus</li> <li>Elements for future MB discussions:</li> <li>Possible new monitoring model embracing new IT tools and earth observation, benefits of simplification</li> <li>Environmental data for competitiveness, robustness and security. Future data needs e.g. how could socioeconomic data be used in the future?</li> </ul>
		The ED thanked the MB for their input, which the EEA will take into account for the renovated draft Strategy which will go for MB consultation on 6 October. The

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Bureau will meet online on 3 November to finalise the renovated draft Strategy for

MB adoption on 4 December.

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8	Update on pilot on Topic Centres	The MB took note of the update by the EEA on the first phase of the Topic Centres, for which twelve countries have volunteered.	A member asked for clarification on the workload for Eionet representatives and another on the involvement of current European Topic Centres. The EEA confirmed that there will be clarity about these aspects when the MB discusses the learnings of the first phase in December, and that there has been communication to the current European Topic Centres about the anticipated changes. The EEA is also meeting with volunteering countries to discuss progress and pending issues.
9	Feedback from the Management Board members	The Bureau took note of a comment from a member regarding the Multi-annual Financial Framework negotiations.	The Multi-annual Financial Framework will be discussed in one of the future Bureau meetings and the MB will be kept informed.

The meeting closed at 13:00

Approved by the EEA Management Board at the 106<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting Brussels, 1 October 2025

Signed

André Weidenhaupt Chair, EEA Management Board

## **Annexes**

Annex 1: Final agenda of 106<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting, 1 October 2025

Annex 2: Participants list, 106<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting, 1 October 2025

#### Annex 1

# Agenda of 106<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting (extraordinary meeting) Wednesday, 1 October 2025, 09:00-13:00, The Square, Brussels

	Wednesday, 1 October 2023, 09.00-13.00, The Square, Brussels
AGENDA	

1. Adoption of draft agenda

FOR ADOPTION

#### JOINT SESSION MANAGEMENT BOARD/EIONET NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS, 09:00-10:30

- 2. Collective reflections on Europe's Environment 2025: outcomes, implications for the work of EEA/Eionet
- 3. Towards a renovated EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030: state of play and consultation

### 10:30-11:00: Joint coffee break Management Board/Eionet National Focal Points

#### FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK

- 4. 105<sup>th</sup> MB Decision list (June 2025)
- 5. Update by the Management Board Chair (verbal update)
- 6. Update by the Executive Director (verbal update)

#### FOR STRATEGIC ORIENTATION

7. Towards a renovated EEA-Eionet Strategy 2021-2030: opportunities within environmental monitoring, simplification and strengthening partnerships with networks

#### FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK

- 8. Update on pilot on Topic Centres
- 9. Feedback from the Management Board members

Annex 2

Participants list 106th Management Board meeting, Wednesday, 1 October 2025, 09:00-13:00 CEST

Represented country/ organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/ expert)
Luxembourg	André Weidenhaupt	Chair, Member
Austria	Elisabeth Freytag-Rigler	Vice-Chair, Member
Croatia	Aljoša Duplić	Vice-Chair, Member
Finland	Laura Höijer	Vice-Chair, Member
Germany	Julia Werner	Vice-Chair, Member
Italy	Stefano Laporta	Vice-Chair, Member
European Commission – DG ENV	Valérie Drézet-Humez	Bureau member, Member
Designated by the European Parliament	Lena Neij	Bureau member, Member
EEA	Leena Ylä-Mononen	EEA Executive Director
Austria	Verena Ehold	Alternate member
Belgium	Christelle Van Wesembeeck	Member
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Mirza Hujić	Invited observer
Cyprus	Savvas Michaelides	Alternate member
Czech Republic	Michal Pastvinský	Member
Czech Republic	Markéta Suslíková	Alternate member
Denmark	Henrik Hedeman Olsen	Member
Estonia	Taimar Ala	Alternate member
Estonia	Kadri Land	Invited observer
France	Amélie Coantic	Member
Greece	Konstantinos Dimopoulos	Alternate member
Hungary	Krisztina Prém	Member
Iceland	Bergþóra Guðmundsdóttir	Member
Ireland	Laura Burke	Member
Ireland	Gerry Clabby	Alternate member
Italy	Stefania Minestrini	Invited observer
Latvia	Kristīne Kazerovska	Member
Latvia	Aiga Grasmane	Alternate member
Liechtenstein	Regula Imhof	Member
Lithuania	Milda Račienė	Member
Luxembourg	Paul Rasqué	Alternate member
Malta	Kevin Mercieca	Member
Malta	Suzanne Gauci	Alternate member
Norway	Torfinn Sørensen	Member
Poland	Paweł Jaworski	Member
Portugal	José Carlos Pimenta Machado	Member
Slovenia	Tanja Bolte	Member
Slovenia	Joško Knez	Alternate member
Spain	Antonio Nieto Magro	Member
Sweden	Johan Kuylenstierna	Member

Sweden	Anna Otmalm	Alternate member
Switzerland	Martine Rohn-Brossard	Member
Türkiye	Eda Alagöz	Invited observer
Designated by the European Parliament	Franziska Tanneberger	Member
European Commission – DG ENV	Saverio Marcaletti	Invited observer
European Commission – DG ENV	Gabriella Manganelli	Invited observer
European Commission – DG RTD	James Morrison	Member
European Commission – DG RTD	Jean Dusart	Invited observer
European Commission – DG RTD	Sophie de Vinck	Invited observer
European Commission – JRC	Alessandra Zampieri	Alternate member
European Commission – JRC	Greet Janssens-Maenhout	Invited observer
European Commission – Eurostat	Arturo de la Fuente	Alternate member
European Commission – DG CLIMA	Yvon Slingenberg	Standing observer
European Commission – DG CLIMA	Jürgen Salay	Invited observer
EEA Scientific Committee	Louis Meuleman	SC Chair
EEA	Martin Adams	EEA
EEA	Karl Hamilton	EEA
EEA	Eva Jensen	EEA
EEA	Riyong Kim	EEA
EEA	Søren Nielsen	EEA
EEA	Katja Rosenbohm	EEA
EEA	Milan Chrenko	EEA
EEA	Ana Cardoso	EEA Staff Committee
EEA	Margot Möslinger	Invited observer/EEA
EEA	Jock Martin	EEA
EEA	Jasmiina Laurmaa	MB Secretariat
EEA	Dana Bjurner	MB Secretariat