



**MINUTES OF THE 65th MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
held on 12 December 2012**

Approved by the Chairman of the Management Board on 20 March 2013

SIGNED

Dr Karsten Sach
Chair, EEA Management

Record of proceedings:

The Chair Dr. Karsten Sach opened the meeting by welcoming new Board members and presenting apologies on behalf of those members unable to attend. The tabled documents were acknowledged during the course of the meeting (list included after the agenda in Annex 1).

Final agenda: Annex 1
Attendance list: Annex 2
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ITEMS 1-2 FOR DECISION

Item 1 Adoption of draft agenda

The Board adopted the agenda (Doc. EEA/MB/65/01rev.1) without changes.

Item 2 Adoption of the 63rd Management Board minutes, 27 June 2012

The Board adopted the minutes of the 63rd MB meeting held on 27 June without changes. The final version (Doc. EEA/MB/65/02- final) of the minutes is available on (Forum).

The members also took note of the tabled MB rolling action list.

ITEMS 3-7 FOR INFORMATION

Item 3 Draft minutes of the 58th Bureau meeting, 9 October 2012

The members took note of the draft minutes from the October Bureau meeting that had been sent to them for information.

Item 4 Update by the Chair (oral)

Under this item the Chair informed in open session that the Board had selected one of the candidates interviewed on 11 December 2013 as the EEA Executive Director to take office on 1 June 2013. The name of the selected candidate would be disclosed the following Monday.

Further to that, the Chair informed of the following:

- successful completion of the MB written procedure for the EEA amended budget 2012;
- CoA report on four agencies;
- proposal for a 7th Environmental Action Plan (7EAP);
- plans to shorten agendas and move some of the on-going information items to an on-line platform.

Item 5 Update by the Scientific Committee Vice-Chair (oral)

Under this item, the Scientific Committee (SC) Vice-Chair gave an overview of the SC members whose second term had come to an end at the end of November 2012. In addition, she informed of the latest activities of the Committee:

- SC meeting and joint EEA-SC seminar on Transport, Mobility and the Environment, held in Ljubljana on 2-3 October 2012;
- elections of SC Chair and two Vice-Chairs: Dr Sybille van den Hove, Chair; Prof. Pierluigi Cocco and Prof. Peter Novak, Vice-Chairs. Their term will start at the next SC meeting in February 2013;
- meeting of the newly elected Chair and Vice-Chairs with the EEA Executive Director and SC secretariat, 27 November 2012 in Brussels; resulting in a draft SC work plan for 2013-early 2014, to be discussed with the SC members at their February meeting;
- next joint EEA-SC seminar in February 2013: workshop to prepare the SC input to the new EEA strategy;
- the October 2013 seminar would focus on uncertainty work in the EEA, while the February 2014 seminar, hosted by the JRC, would be dedicated to contamination, environment and health.

The MB Chair welcomed the update and plans for future SC work, indicating that SC involvement in the evaluation would be needed between January and March 2013.

Item 6 Update by DG Environment on the Common Approach for EU Agencies

The representative of DG Environment introduced the reasoning behind the Common Approach for EU Agencies. (see document EEA/MB/65/06), referring to the non-systematic growth of the current 31 Agencies, which account for a 5000 staff and a budget of 737 million Euro. The Common Approach would look at streamlining the rationale, and assessing whether all agencies are absolutely necessary, or whether there would be a need to disband or create new ones in order to improve the governance structures.

In addition, the representative of DG Environment said that European Commission (EC) was working on the roadmap for the implementation of the Common Approach and would be talking with individual Agencies for its implementation, which could

mean in some cases an amendment of the Founding Regulation. The main developments of the Common Approach are:

- the introduction of an alert and warning system whereby the EC representatives in Agencies MBs could alert the European Parliament (EP) and the Council in cases where MBs would be planning to adopt decisions against EU policy;
- streamlining of Agencies international relations.

The roadmap, expected to be finalised at the end of 2012, would be forwarded to Board members through the MB Secretariat.

One of the experts designated by the EP advised to look carefully at the implementation of the Common Approach; this should not end in a change of name for Agencies already well-established like the EEA. He agreed that the issue of international relations should be streamlined and Agencies given a clear mandate. However, he saw the need for exceptions in some cases where Agencies would need special provisions to allow for a role in the international arena. Moreover, he warned of the danger of mixing self-financing with non-self-financing Agencies and proposed to form a small working group in the MB to write a proposal, with the help of the MB Secretariat.

Some Board members referred to the non-binding nature of the Common Approach. The representative of DG Environment said that while the document it is not legally binding, the three institutions behind it (Council, EC, EP) are politically committed to implement the adopted text, and would move forward with the implementation plan as soon as possible.

In closing this item, the Chair proposed to deal with a possible working group within the Bureau.

Item 7 Update by the Executive Director

Taking the progress report (Doc.EEA/MB/65/07) as read, the Executive Director made a presentation of the main work carried out by the EEA ([link](#)).

ITEMS 8-16 FOR DECISION / GUIDANCE

Item 8 Approval of the EA Work Programme 2013

The Board members approved the EEA Work Programme 2013.

Item 9 Approval of the EEA Budget 2013

In line with the decision taken under item 8, the Board members agreed to approve the EEA Annual Budget 2013, subject to the approval of the EU Budget 2013 in the European Parliament the following week.

Item 10 Approval of the Eurostat Work Programme 2013

The Board members approved the Eurostat Work Programme 2013 in the field of environment.

**Item 11 Designation of new members of the EEA Scientific Committee –
CLOSED SESSION**

In introducing this item, the SC Vice-Chair said that the main criteria for the selection procedure had been scientific excellence, followed by a second criterion on how the candidates could work over their chosen area of expertise.

With reference to tabled document EEA/MB/65/11rev.1, the MB had a discussion on the proposed observer, concluding that on one hand there is no provision in the SC Rules of Procedure for such observer. On the other, the Board members were confident that the selection process had been rigorous and transparent through its different stages; therefore, the MB decided to include that candidate in the list of seven new SC members.

The MB thus designated seven new members of the EEA Scientific Committee:

Area of expertise	Expert name
Marine ecosystems and maritime space, links to biodiversity, systems resilience, chemicals, environment policy and monitoring	Angel Borja, Spain
Chemicals and the environment, specifically to human health and environment policy, risk assessments	Philippe Grandjean, Denmark
Chemicals and the environment, specifically contamination, including radionuclides, urban systems and quality of life, and environmental monitoring	Greet Schoeters, Belgium
Environment policy, links to environment statistics and accounting	Anil Markandya, UK
Environmental information systems, links to environmental statistics and accounting	Jiri Hrebicek, Czech Republic
Environmental monitoring, links to environment policy, environment statistics and accounting, and to environmental information systems	Vincent-Henri Peuch, France
Environment statistics and accounting	Jean-Louis Weber, France

Item 12 Review of European Topic Centres (ETCs) in relation to the new EEA Strategy 2014-2018 – CLOSED SESSION

The representative of the EEA introduced the paper which had been sent confidentially to Board members, indicating that the Terms of Reference (ToRs) for five ETCs would need a final drafting to take into account comments received from the MB.

With regard to the 5+2 model, some Board members expressed their concern about the proposed separation of waste from the broader resource efficiency agenda, as well as the risk of setting up new structures. They also advised against overlaps in a 5+2 model.

The MB decided to approve, in principle, the Terms of Reference (ToRs) for 4 ETCs in the areas of air and climate change mitigation; biological diversity; climate change impacts, vulnerability and adaptation; and inland, coastal and marine waters, subject to

drafting changes and provided guidance on the revisions of the remaining recommendations.

With regard to the remaining areas, the EEA will make a proposal for a structured discussion in the MB seminar including possible future ETC support in the areas of waste, resource efficiency and green economy, information and spatial analysis.

In closing, the Chair invited the MB to send their feedback on the ETC review by 14 December 2012.

Item 13 Discharge 2010 and follow-up – CLOSED SESSION

In introducing this item, the Executive Director gave an overview of the Discharge 2010 process throughout the year.

The Board took note of the discharge procedure and endorsed additional measures relating to ex ante Executive Director memberships on external Boards; EEA training policy; scrutiny of exceptional expenditures; strengthening of existing policies and procedures for the prevention of conflict of interests and reputational risks (see document EEA/MB/65/13).

The MB also approved the existing Executive Director memberships; with regard to the list of future memberships, the MB approved it with one exception.

Item 14 EEA five-year evaluation

The consultants working on the Evaluation report made a presentation (link!) of the preliminary results for MB discussion.

The Executive Director pointed out that some comments would need to be grounded more formally as the EEA is not responsible for all the issues raised in the presentation. The consultants would need to attribute more specifically in which areas can the EEA improve and which areas lie in the domain of, for example, the EC.

One of the experts designated by the EP said that the report was in principle going in the right direction; however, he would welcome further work in elaborating the statements:

- where is the impact of the Agency?;
- table on MB (decision-making or sounding forum?). This needed to be elaborated and explained. Given the turnover in the MB membership, the EP representative strongly advised to enquire about the involvement of Board members (if new in MB, how many meetings attended, involved in MB work...).

The Chair said that the Evaluation report is about awareness raising, giving examples of areas where there could be room for improvement in a constructive and useful way. In addition, he informed that the final draft report would be delivered on 25 January 2013, and forwarded to the MB as soon as possible thereafter. He invited the MB to send feedback on the final draft by 22 February.

In closing, the Chair invited Board members to send any feedback they had on the presentation to Artur Runge-Metzger and Katja Rosenbohm by 21 December 2012. The presentation would be uploaded in the on-line library by the MB Secretariat.

Item 15 Priorities EEA Strategy 2014-2018

Further to document EEA/MB/65/15, the Executive Director made a presentation (link) reflecting on the main areas raised in the paper.

Concerning the length of the strategy (5 years versus 7 years), the Chair reported that the Bureau had advised to set up a 5-year strategy. Regarding the next steps, the March 2013 seminar should set the framework of how the next strategy would look like. A serious draft incorporating the outcome of the seminar would then be presented to the MB for guidance at its meeting in June. The Board would adopt the next EEA strategy at 68th meeting in November 2013.

In closing, the Chair invited Board members to send their feedback on the MB paper by Friday 21 December 2012.

Item 16 Development of Eionet

The MB took note of the information as set out in document EEA/MB/65/16. Members are encouraged to support NFPs within their national administration.

ITEMS 17-24 – FOR INFORMATION

Item 17 Overview of audits

The MB took note of the update on recent audits (Doc.EEA/MB/65/17).

Item 18 Priorities of the Irish Presidency

The Board member from Ireland made a presentation of the main priorities of the Irish Presidency, to start on 1 January 2013 (link).

Item 19 EEA Data Policy

The MB took note of the update as set out in document EEA/MB/65/19. Further to that, the Executive Director gave a forewarning that the EEA Data Policy would be presented to the Bureau for discussion and to the MB for adoption at its next meeting.

Item 20 Review of indicators

A representative of the EEA gave an overview of the review of indicators to date.

Item 21 SEIS, Inspire, GMES, GEOSS and EC coordination developments

The Executive Director indicated that this would be one of the areas going into the on-line portal “on-going matters for your attention”. She also indicated that there may be an agenda item on Copernicus at the next MB meeting.

In closing, the MB took note of the update as set out in document EEA/MB/65/20.

Item 22 EEA meeting dates 2013

The MB took note of the meeting dates 2013

Item 23 EEA Publication Plan 2012. Update

The Board members took note of the last update of the EEA publication plan 2012.

FOR DECISION

1. Adoption of draft agenda
2. Adoption of the 63rd Management Board minutes, 27 June 2012

FOR INFORMATION

3. Draft minutes of the 58th Bureau meeting, 9 October 2012
4. Update by the MB Chair
5. Update by the SC Vice-Chair
6. Update by DG Environment on the Common Approach for EU Agencies
7. Update by the Executive Director

FOR DECISION / GUIDANCE

8. Approval of the EEA Work Programme 2013
9. Approval of the EEA Budget 2013
10. Approval of the Eurostat Work Programme 2013
11. Designation of new members of the EEA Scientific
12. Review of European Topic Centres (ETCs) in relation to the new EEA Strategy 2014-2018
13. Discharge 2010 and follow-up
14. EEA five-year evaluation
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FOR INFORMATION

17. Overview of audits
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19. EEA Data Policy
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21. SEIS, Inspire, GMES, GEOSS and EC coordination developments
22. EEA meeting dates 2013
23. EEA publication plan 2012. Update
24. Feedback from members of the Management Board

[Tabled documents](#)



Management Board meeting - Attendance list

Copenhagen, 12 December 2012

MEMBER COUNTRIES

COUNTRY		NAME	ORGANISATION	SIGNATURE
CHAIRMAN		Karsten SACH	Chairman of the EEA Management Board	Signed
AUSTRIA	<u>Member:</u>	Elisabeth FREYTAG	Bundesministerium für Land-und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Georg REBERNIG	Umweltbundesamt	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
BELGIUM	<u>Member:</u>	Philippe D'HONDT	Flemish Environment Agency	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Francis BRANCART	European Policy and International Agreements	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
BULGARIA	<u>Member:</u>	Vanya GRIGOROVA	Bulgarian Environment Agency	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Philip PENCHEV	Bulgarian Environment Agency	
	<u>Expert:</u>			

COUNTRY		NAME	ORGANISATION	SIGNATURE 12/12
CYPRUS	<u>Member:</u>			
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Charalambos HAJIPAKKOS	Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment	Apologies
	<u>Expert:</u>			
CZECH REPUBLIC	<u>Member:</u>	Petr JIRMAN	Ministry of Environment	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Jiří HLAVÁČEK	Ministry of Environment	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
DENMARK	<u>Member:</u>	Mikkel AARØ-HANSEN	Danish Ministry of the Environment	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Henrik Hedemann OLSEN	Danish Nature Agency	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
ESTONIA	<u>Member:</u>	Allan GROMOV	Ministry of Environment	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>			
	<u>Expert:</u>			
FINLAND	<u>Member:</u>	Laura HÖIJER	Ministry of Environment	
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Pekka HARJU-AUTTI	Ministry of Environment	Signed
	<u>Expert:</u>			

COUNTRY		NAME	ORGANISATION	SIGNATURE 12/12
FRANCE	<u>Member:</u>	Bruno VERLON	Ministère de l'Ecologie et du Développement Durable	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Guillaume COUNIO	Sous-Directeur Régulation Européenne	
	<u>Expert:</u>	Valery MORARD	Ministère de l'Ecologie et du Développement Durable	
GERMANY	<u>Member:</u>			
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Julia WERNER	Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz & Reaktorsicherheit	Apologies
	<u>Expert:</u>	Christina PYKONEN	Federal Environment Agency	Signed
GREECE	<u>Member:</u>	Nicholas MANTZARIS	Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate Change	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>			
	<u>Expert:</u>			
HUNGARY	<u>Member:</u>	Istvan TEPLAN	National Institute for Environment	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Klára Huthné SZEKÉR	Ministry of Rural Development	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
ICELAND	<u>Member:</u>	Hermann SVEINBJÖRNSSON	Ministry of Environment	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Gunnar Steinn JONSSON	The Environmental Agency	
	<u>Expert:</u>			

COUNTRY		NAME	ORGANISATION	SIGNATURE 12/12
IRELAND	<u>Member:</u>	John McCARTHY	Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Laura BURKE	Environmental Protection Agency	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
ITALY	<u>Member:</u>	Giovanni BRUNELLI	Ministerio dell'Ambiente	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Valeria RIZZO	Ministerio dell'Ambiente	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
LATVIA	<u>Member:</u>	Jurijs SPIRIDONOVŠ	Ministry of Environment	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Andris LEITASS	Latvian Environment Agency	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
LIECHTENSTEIN	<u>Member:</u>	Felix NÄSCHER	Ministry of Environment, Dept. Forests, Nature and Landscape	Apologies
	<u>Alternate:</u>			
	<u>Expert:</u>			
LITHUANIA	<u>Member:</u>	Aleksandras SPRUOGIS	Ministry of Environment	
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Aldona MARGERIENE	Environmental Protection Agency	Signed
	<u>Expert:</u>			

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LUXEMBOURG	<u>Member:</u>	Eric DE BRABANTER	Ministère du Développement durable et des Infrastructures	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Pierre PRUM	Ministère du Développement durable et des Infrastructures	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
MALTA	<u>Member:</u>	Petra DINGLI	Malta Environment and Planning Authority	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Suzanne GAUCI	Malta Environment and Planning Authority	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
NETHERLANDS	<u>Member:</u>	Koen de SNOO	Ministry of Infrastructure and Environment	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Adriaan OUDEMAN	Ministry of Housing, Physical Planning and Environment	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
NORWAY	<u>Member:</u>	Kari HOLDEN	Data, Climate and Pollution Agency	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Øystein NESJE	Ministry of Environment	Signed
	<u>Expert:</u>			
POLAND	<u>Member:</u>	Andrzej JAGUSIEWICZ	Chief Inspectorate for Environmental Protection	Apologies
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Lucyna DYGAS-CIOŁKOWSKA	Chief Inspectorate for Environmental Protection	Signed
	<u>Expert:</u>			

COUNTRY		NAME	ORGANISATION	SIGNATURE 12/12
PORTUGAL	<u>Member:</u>	Nuno LACASTA	Ministério do Ambiente, do Ordenamento do Território e do Desenvolvimento Regional	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Paulo LEMOS	Ministério do Ambiente, do Ordenamento do Território e do Desenvolvimento Regional	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
ROMANIA	<u>Member:</u>	Mihail FACA	National Environmental Protection Agency	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Gabriela VASILIU-ISAC	National Environmental Protection Agency	
	<u>Expert:</u>	Horia-Ion IRIMIA	National Environmental Protection Agency	
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	<u>Member:</u>	Dagmar RAJČANOVÁ	Slovak Environmental Agency	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Katarína KOSKOVÁ	Slovak Environmental Agency	
	<u>Expert:</u>			
SLOVENIA	<u>Member:</u>	Silvo ŽLEBIR	Environmental Agency	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>			
	<u>Expert:</u>			
SPAIN	<u>Member:</u>	Guillermina YANGUAS MONTERO	Ministerio de Medio Ambiente	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Elisa RIVERA MENDOZA	Ministerio de Agricultura, Alimentacion y Medio Ambiente	
	<u>Expert:</u>			

COUNTRY		NAME	ORGANISATION	SIGNATURE 12/12
SWEDEN	<u>Member:</u>	Maria ÅGREN	Swedish Environmental Protection Agency	Apologies
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Martin ERIKSSON	Swedish Environmental Protection Agency	Signed
	<u>Expert:</u>			
SWITZERLAND	<u>Member:</u>	Bruno OBERLE	Federal Office for the Environment	Apologies
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Gérard POFFET	Federal Office for the Environment	Signed
	<u>Expert:</u>	Nicolas PERRITAZ	Federal Office for the Environment	Signed
TURKEY	<u>Member:</u>	Ercan TIRAŞ	Ministry of Environment and Forestry	
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Abdulvahap Çağatay DİKMEN	Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation	Signed
	<u>Expert:</u>	Fatma CEBECIOĞLU	Ministry of Environment and Forestry	Signed
UNITED KINGDOM	<u>Member:</u>	Deborah PETERSON	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)	Signed
	<u>Alternate:</u>	Peter HELM	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)	
	<u>Expert:</u>			

EUROPEAN COMMISSION	Karl FALKENBERG	DG Environment	Signed
	Robin MIÈGE	DG Environment	Apologies
	Pascal LE GRAND	DG Environment	Signed
	Manuela SOARES	DG Research	Apologies
	Pedro Díaz MUÑOZ	Eurostat - Sectoral and regional statistics	Apologies
	Mireille DELPRAT	DG Research	Signed
	Peter PÄRT	JRC	Signed
	Christian HEIDORN	EUROSTAT- Sectoral and regional statistics	Signed
	Velina PENDOLOVSKA	DG Clima	Signed
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	Michael SCOULLOS	University of Athens	Signed
EEA SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE	Sybille van den HOVE	Chairman of EEA Scientific Committee	Signed
OBSERVER - CROATIA	Neven VOĆA	Croatian Environment Agency	Apologies

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	Sigfus BJARNASON	Head of programme - OSE	Signed
	Jock MARTIN	Head of programme - IEA	Signed
	Paul McALEAVEY	Head of programme - ACC	Signed
	Katja ROSENBOHM	Head of programme - COM	Signed
	Søren NIELSEN	Head of programme - ADS	Signed
	Chris STEENMANS	Head of programme - SES	Signed
	Ronan UHEL	Head of programme - NSV	Signed
	David STANNERS	Head of group - EDO2	Signed
	Petra FAGERHOLM	Head of group - EDO1	Signed
	Jeff HUNTINGTON	Senior Adviser - GAN	Signed
	Elena OSTÁRIZ	Managment Board Secretariat - EDO0	Signed
	Ian	Senior Adviser	Signed
	Ester Fay	BLO	Signed
Ulrike Hoffmann	Assistant EDO	Signed	

ANNEX 3 – Action List

ACTIONS	Status 18 February 2013
To publish on Forum the final minutes of the 63 rd Management Board	To do
To circulate the roadmap for the implementation of the Common Approach for EU Agencies	Done
The Bureau to discuss a possible working group on the implementation of the Common Approach	To do
EEA to make a proposal for a structured discussion in the MB seminar on ETC support in the areas of waste, resource efficiency and green economy, information and spatial analysis	Ongoing
MB members to send feedback on the Evaluation presentation and next EEA Strategy	Done
EEA to upload all presentations	Done

DECISIONS taken at the 65th Management Board meeting, 12 December 2012, EEA

Agenda item	Decisions	Comments
Item 1. Adoption of agenda	Adopted	-
Item 2. Adoption of the 63 rd Management Board minutes, 27 June 2012	Adopted	.-
Item 8. Approval EEA Work Programme 2013	Approved	-
Item 9. Approval EEA Budget 2013	Approved	-
Item 10. Approval Eurostat Work Programme 2013	The Board approved the Eurostat Work Programme in the field of the environment 2013	-
Item 11. Designation of new members of the EEA Scientific Committee	The Board designated 7 new members to the Scientific Committee following the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee	The list of new experts designated to the EEA Scientific Committee as of 13 December 2013 is attached to this decision list.
Item 12. Review of European Topic Centres (ETCs) in relation to the new EEA Strategy 2014-2018	The Board in principle approved the ToRs for 4 ETCs subject to drafting changes and provided guidance on the revision of the remaining recommendations	The MB in principle approved the ToRs for the ETCs in the areas of air and climate change mitigation; biological diversity; climate change impacts, vulnerability and adaptation; and inland, coastal and marine waters. The EEA will make a proposal for a structured discussion in the MB seminar including possible future ETC support in the areas of waste, resource efficiency and green economy. Information and analysis.

Item 13. Discharge 2010 and follow-up	The Board took note of the discharge procedure and endorsed additional measures relating to ex ante ED memberships on external Boards; EEA training policy; scrutiny of exceptional expenditures; strengthening of existing policies and procedures for the prevention of conflict of interests and reputational risks	The list of existing ED memberships was approved; the list of future memberships was approved with one exception. Final list attached to this decision.
Item 14. EEA five-year Evaluation	Took note of the progress made.	EEA to upload the presentation of the Evaluation consultants on the on-line library.
Item 15. Priorities EEA Strategy 2014-2018/20	The Board provided guidance on the priorities for the next EEA Strategy	MB members to send feedback by Friday 21 December 2012.
Item 16 Development of Eionet	Took note of the update	-

Approved by the Chairman of the Management Board
on 12 December 2012

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Dr. Karsten Sach
Chairman EEA Management Board

Item 10**Designation of seven new members of the EEA Scientific Committee**

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Environmental information systems, links to environmental statistics and accounting	Jiri Hrebicek, Czech Republic
Environmental monitoring, links to environment policy, environment statistics and accounting, and to environmental information systems	Vincent-Henri Peuch, France
Environment statistics and accounting	Jean-Louis Weber, France

Item 13**Executive Director memberships in external organisations**

EBRD Environment and Social Advisory Council (since 2005)

Open Geospatial Consortium (since January 2011)

Grid-Arendal (since March 2012)

UNEP International Resource Panel (since 2007)

UNEP TEEB Advisory Board (since 2008)

New request

World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Climate Change (invited to become Council member 2012)