

LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE
101ST MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 21 MARCH 2024

Agenda item	Outcome	Comments
AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The Management Board (MB) Chair welcomed new MB members and alternate members that were nominated since the December meeting as well as the JRC represented by Alessandra Zampieri.	New MB members: Piret Lilleväli (Estonia), Torfinn Sørensen (Norway, previously alternate member), Ana Cristina Carrola (Portugal), Claudia Fusco (DG ENV), Franziska Tanneberger (EP designate) New alternate MB members: Taimar Ala (Estonia), Anne Sundbye (Norway), Agueda Silva (Portugal), Manuel Peinado Lorca (EP designate)
FOR ADOPTION		
1	Agenda of the 101 st Management Board meeting	The Management Board (MB) adopted the agenda of the meeting.
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
2	MB decision list: 100 th meeting (14 December 2023)	The MB adopted the decision list of the 100 th meeting.
3	Update by the Management Board Chair	The MB took note of the update by the MB Chair. Decisions/written procedures since the 14 December MB meeting: Decision list from 25 January 2024 Bureau meeting, and the tentative overview of topics to be covered by the MB and Bureau in 2024. Written procedure for Single Programming Document (SPD) 2024-2026. Bureau adoption of the initial draft Single Programming Document 2025-2027 via written procedure. Adoption, through the written procedure, on the EEA's revised policy on the prevention and management of conflicts of interest. Topics covered at the Bureau meeting of 20 March: The 103 rd Bureau decision list, shared with MB members, covers the recommendations from the Bureau. BU discussed and agreed on the process towards an appointment of two new MB Vice-Chairs/Bureau members at MB meeting in June.



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4 EEA-Eionet Evaluation 2017-2021	The MB took note of the latest updates on EEA-Eionet Evaluation including changes to the timeline.	<p>DG ENV thanked the EEA for providing additional elements supporting the evaluation and facilitating additional interviews with NFPs supporting revision of the staff document.</p> <p>DG ENV explained revised timeline of the evaluation: staff document to the Regulatory Scrutiny Board (RSB) and MBAC by mid-April, one month for RSB to provide an opinion, followed by incorporation of comments and interservice consultation. Evaluation to be published mid-July. MB to adopt an opinion on the evaluation later this year at its November meeting.</p>
FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)		
5 103 rd Bureau meeting 20 March 2024: decision list, including: A. Scientific Committee call 2024: identification of areas of expertise for new members	<p>The MB agreed on the areas of expertise for the call for new Scientific Committee members, nominated 3 MB members to participate in the Evaluation Committee, delegated to the MB Chair the decision on the composition of the pre-screening committee.</p> <p>The MB invited the EEA and the Evaluation Committee to further fine-tune SC call areas of Biodiversity and Natural ecosystems, Just Transition, and Scientific Communication and consider the best options for communication of the SC call to reach wider audience across Europe.</p>	<p>The MB nominated 3 members to represent MB in the evaluation committee: Laura Höijer (Finland (Chair)), André Weidenhaupt (Luxembourg), and Lena Neij (European Parliament representative).</p> <p>The MB members were invited to use their national networks to promote the SC call.</p> <p>The Evaluation Committee was invited to reflect on the diversity aspect of the call to address gender, cultural, geographical and age balance.</p>
FOR GUIDANCE/STRATEGIC ORIENTATION		
6 Enhanced collaboration between the EEA and the JRC	The MB provided guidance on which of the highlighted areas the EEA and the JRC should prioritise for their future cooperation.	<p>The MB appreciated the visit to JRC and presentation of its activities.</p> <p>The MB noted the importance of the good and transparent cooperation between the EEA and JRC, without overlaps, under all highlighted areas presented in the background paper. MB noted that not all sub areas are equally important. The highest priority shall go to cooperation under the legal obligations and to the areas with the biggest knowledge gaps with focus on implementation of SDGs, EU environmental goals and policies.</p>

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		<p>Several MB members highlighted austerity measures and the budget cuts for national monitoring systems, thus raising the importance of Earth observation for complementing national monitoring networks.</p> <p>MB discussed the importance of new areas for cooperation such as critical raw materials and foresight.</p> <p>MB invited the EEA and JRC to continue cooperation also through stronger alignment of planning and agreed to continue the discussion once the EEA/Eionet evaluation is completed and priorities of the new Commission outlined.</p>
7 Key EEA flagship initiatives/outcomes expected to be launched in 2024	The MB reflected on the value of the EEA flagship reports and messages for informing discussions at EU level and in countries in 2024 in the new policy cycle.	<p>The MB members welcomed the discussion on the EEA flagship reports and suggested the EEA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • considers carefully target groups for publications and ensures a balance of messages for technical experts and the public; • provides a list of national co-authors for future flagship reports to allow for stronger national media outreach; • provides the MB with the link to EEA/Eionet communication calendar, to allow for better planning and amplification of EEA messages at the national level.
8 12 June 2024 joint MB/NFP/SC seminar in Copenhagen	The MB considered EEA’s proposals for the joint MB/NFP/SC seminar on 12 June 2024.	<p>The MB members suggested to EEA to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • allow for online participation at the seminar; • extend the invitation to ETC managers; • reflect on the draft staff working document on EEA/Eionet evaluation when preparing the agenda.
UPDATE BY THE EEA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE EEA FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
9 Update by the Executive Director	The MB took note of the verbal update by the Executive Director and the written EEA update.	The MB invited the EEA to share the EU Agencies Network Charter on diversity and inclusion with MB members.

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		<p>The MB welcomed EEA plans to update the KPIs, 360 evaluation of managers and new EEA senior manager leading the DIS programme.</p> <p>The MB noted slightly lower delivery of Eionet core data flows, slight drop in the Eionet meetings satisfaction rate.</p> <p>The MB suggested, in the next updates, to differentiate the staff turnover highlighting new recruitments and invited the EEA to consider publication of the 8EAP report earlier than in December.</p>
<p>10 Update on the State and Outlook for Europe's Environment Report 2025 (SOER 2025)</p>	<p>The MB took note of progress on SOER 2025.</p>	<p>The MB welcomed the presented plan towards the SOER 2025, inclusion of country assessments, the Synthesis – specific product for policymakers and discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - timing of the SOER - after the elections, establishment of a new Commission and possible use of other EEA products to feed the preparations for the new Commission (EUCRA, 8EAP, STO, EEA thematic snapshots...); - possibilities for machine translation of the Country assessment; - use of clear, concise, non-technical language for the Synthesis.
UPDATES BY EEA STAKEHOLDERS FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
<p>11 Update by the European Commission</p>	<p>The MB took note of the update by the European Commission (DG ENV, DG CLIMA, Eurostat and JRC) on the latest policy developments and followed by some questions.</p>	
<p>12 Update by the Scientific Committee Chair</p>	<p>The MB took note of the update by the Scientific Committee (SC) Chair on the SC's recent activities.</p>	
<p>13 Feedback from Management Board members</p>	<p>The Czech MB reported on the outcomes of the recent Visegrad 4+ ministerial and Environment and Health conference, appreciating participation and support of the EEA at both events.</p>	



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CLOSED SESSION		
14 Appraisal of the Executive Director: outcome for reporting year 2023 (verbal update)	The MB took note of the outcome of the appraisal of the Executive Director for the reporting year 2023 and the conclusion of probationary period and managerial trial period.	

The meeting closed at 16:00.

Approved by the EEA Management Board at the 101st Management Board meeting

21 March 2024, Ispra, Italy

[Signed]

André Weidenhaupt
Chair, EEA Management Board

Annexes

- Annex 1: Final agenda of 101st Management Board meeting, 21 March 2024
- Annex 2: Participants list, 101st Management Board meeting, 21 March 2024

Annex 1:

**Draft agenda of 101st Management Board meeting
Thursday, 21 March 2024, 9:00-16:00, Joint Research Centre, Ispra, Italy**

AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS
FOR ADOPTION
1. Adoption of draft agenda
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK
2. MB decision list: 100 th meeting (14 December 2023)
3. Update by the Management Board Chair (verbal update)
4. EEA-Eionet Evaluation 2017-2021
FOR DECISION (PREPARED IN THE BUREAU)
5. 103 rd Bureau meeting 20 March 2024: decision list, including: A. Scientific Committee call 2024: identification of areas of expertise for new members
FOR GUIDANCE/STRATEGIC ORIENTATION
6. Enhanced collaboration between the EEA and the JRC
7. Key EEA flagship initiatives/outcomes expected to be launched in 2024
8. 12 June 2024 joint MB/NFP/SC seminar in Copenhagen
UPDATE BY THE EEA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE EEA FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK
9. Update by the Executive Director
10. Update on the State and Outlook for Europe's Environment Report 2025 (SOER 2025)
UPDATES BY EEA STAKEHOLDERS FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK
11. Update by the European Commission
12. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair
13. Feedback from Management Board members
CLOSED SESSION
14. Appraisal of the Executive Director: outcome for reporting year 2023 (verbal update)

Annex 2:

**Participants list, 101st Management Board meeting, Thursday 21 March 2024,
09:00–16:00 CET, JRC, Ispra and online**

Represented country/ organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/ expert)
Austria	Elisabeth Freytag-Rigler	Member
Austria	Florian Eywo	Guest/observer
Belgium	Christelle Van Wesembeek	Member
Bulgaria	Not represented	
Croatia	Aljoša Duplić	Member
Croatia	Branimir Pavlinec	Alternate member
Cyprus	Costas Hadjipanayiotou	Member
Czech Republic	Michal Pastvinský	Member
Denmark	Ida Hannibal	Member
Denmark	Henrik Hedeman Olsen	Alternate member
Estonia	Taimar Ala	Alternate member
Finland	Laura Höijer	Member
France	Amélie Coantic	Member
Germany	Julia Werner	Member
Greece	Petros Varelidis	Member
Hungary	Krisztina Prém	Member
Hungary	Zita Gellér	Alternate member
Iceland	Bergþóra Guðmundsdóttir	Member
Ireland	Laura Burke	Member
Italy	Stefano Laporta	Member
Italy	Stefania Ministrini	Guest/observer
Latvia	Kristīne Kazerovska	Alternate member
Liechtenstein	Regula Imhof	Member
Lithuania	Milda Račienė	Member
Luxembourg	André Weidenhaupt	Chair, Member
Luxembourg	Paul Rasqué	Alternate member
Malta	Darrin Stevens	Alternate member
Malta	Sergio Tartaglia	Guest/observer
Netherlands	Willem Evers	Member
Norway	Torfinn Sørensen	Member
Norway	Lucrezia Gorini	Guest/observer
Poland	Anna Katarzyna Wiech	Alternate member
Portugal	Ana Cristina Carrola	Member
Romania	Andrei Corlan	Member
Slovakia	Mária Fischerová	Member
Slovenia	Tanja Bolte	Member
Slovenia	Joško Knez	Alternate member
Spain	Antonio Nieto Magro	Member
Sweden	Anna Otmalm	Member
Sweden	Petter Mahrs	Alternate member
Switzerland	Martine Rohn-Brossard	Alternate member
Türkiye	Cihan Tatar	Alternate member
Türkiye	Fatma Nur Cebecioğlu	Guest/observer
Designated by the EP	Lena Neij	Member
Designated by the EP	Franziska Tanneberger	Member

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Designated by the EP	Manuel Peinado	Alternate member
EC – DG ENV	Claudia Fusco	Member
EC – DG ENV	Saverio Marcaletti	Observer
EC – DG RTD	Philippe Tulkens	Guest/observer
EC – JRC	Greet Janssens-Maenhout	Guest/observer
EC – JRC	Alessandra Zampieri	Alternate member
EC – Eurostat	Viveka Palm	Alternate member
EC – DG CLIMA	Yvon Slingenberg	Observer
EC – DG CLIMA	Jürgen Salay	Observer
EEA Scientific Committee	Claire Dupont	SC Chair
EEA	Leena Ylä-Mononen	EEA
EEA	Martin Adams	EEA
EEA	Eva Jensen	EEA
EEA	Karl Hamilton	EEA
EEA	Riyong Kim	EEA
EEA	Jock Martin	EEA
EEA	Søren Nielsen	EEA
EEA	Katja Rosenbohm	EEA
EEA	Milan Chrenko	EEA
EEA	Wouter Vanneuville	EEA Staff Committee
EEA	Pia Schmidt	MB Secretariat
EEA	Dana Bjurner	MB Secretariat