

**LIST OF DECISIONS AND GUIDANCE
98TH MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING, 23 MARCH 2023**

Agenda item	Outcome	Comments
AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The Management Board (MB) welcomed new members that were nominated since the last meeting.	
FOR ADOPTION		
1 Agenda of the 98 th Management Board meeting	The MB adopted the agenda of the meeting.	
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
2 MB decision list: 97th meeting (8 December 2022)	The MB adopted the decision list of the 97 th meeting.	
3 Update by the Management Board Chair	<p>The MB approved the change of date for the December MB meeting as recommended by the Bureau.</p> <p>The MB took note of the update by the MB Chair.</p> <p>The MB Chair encouraged members to consider applying for the role of MB Chair ahead of the election at the June MB meeting.</p> <p>The MB took note of the upcoming launch of the call for volunteers to join the Management Board Advisory Committee to follow the Evaluation of EEA 2017-2021.</p> <p>Decisions/written procedures since December MB meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision list from 26 January Bureau meeting - Bureau approval of draft Single Programming Document (SPD) 2024-2026 - Approval of amendment to the establishment table 2023 - Written procedure to collect proposals for interview questions for the Executive Director interviews: closed session item - The 98th Bureau decision list covers the recommendations from the Bureau, to be covered in more detail in the closed session. 	<p>The December MB meeting will be held on 14 December 2023. The updated list of meeting dates is available in annex 3.</p> <p>The call for applications for the role of MB Chair will remain open until 5 May 2023.</p>
UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK		
4 Update by the Executive Director	<p>The MB took note of the update by the Executive Director (ED) on the overview of EEA's activities.</p> <p>The MB shared a collection of farewell greetings with the ED to thank him for the excellent cooperation over the past ten years.</p>	

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5 Update by the European Commission	<p>The MB took note of the update from the European Commission, including the ongoing engagement with Ukraine and the delays with the Nature restoration law.</p> <p>The MB welcomed the inclusion of section on resources in the written update and requested this section to be maintained in future updates.</p>	The representative from the JRC welcomed the positive response from the MB to their invitation to host the March 2024 MB meeting at JRC Ispra, Italy.
6 Update by the Scientific Committee Chair	The MB took note of the update by the Scientific Committee (SC) Chair on the SC's recent activities.	The SC Chair reminded the MB of the opportunity for the MB and the ED to request opinions from the SC.
7 Feedback from Management Board members (verbal update)	The open session of the meeting ended without further feedback from members.	
CLOSED SESSION		
8 Appraisal of the Executive Director: outcome for reporting year 2022 (verbal update)	The MB took note of the excellent outcome of the Executive Director's appraisal for 2022.	
9 Decision on interim Executive Director	<p>The MB had a precautionary discussion regarding a potential decision on an interim Executive Director (ED), which would be needed only if there was a gap between the end of Hans Bruyninckx's mandate on 31 May 2023, and the date when the future ED will be able to start.</p> <p>The MB agreed with the recommendation from the Bureau on the way forward in case such a decision was needed.</p>	
10 Selection of EEA's next Executive Director: overview of the procedure including declarations of absence of conflict of interest, interviews of shortlisted candidates, deliberations, vote and announcement of the outcome	<p>The MB took note of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the previous steps of the selection procedure leading to the shortlist of candidates for the position of EEA's Executive Director (ED) - the declarations of absence of conflict of interest from all participants in the closed session. The MB Chair confirmed that all declarations had been assessed and that mitigating measures had been taken as appropriate. - and of shortlisted candidates - the running of the interview procedure including the final set of interview questions as finalised by the Bureau - the details of the voting procedure, including proxys <p>The MB interviewed the shortlisted candidates.</p> <p>The MB appointed two members from non-EU Member countries as tellers for the voting procedure to count the votes with the MB Secretariat.</p>	<p>Following the outcome of the ED selection procedure, EEA will publish a press release, which the MB Secretariat will share with the MB for further dissemination.</p> <p>The MB Chair will send a letter to the Chair of the ENVI Committee (European Parliament) to inform them of the outcome of the selection procedure.</p> <p>Leena Ylä-Mononen will be invited to provide a statement in front of the ENVI Committee, followed by an exchange of views with Members of the European Parliament. This is foreseen to take place on 26 April 2023.</p>

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11 Final comments from Management Board members (verbal update)	<p>As a result of the voting procedure, the MB selected Leena Ylä-Mononen as EEA's next Executive Director. The required two-thirds majority of voting members was reached.</p> <p>The shortlisted candidates were informed individually of the outcome of the selection procedure.</p> <p>Leena Ylä-Mononen accepted the nomination from the MB as EEA's next Executive Director.</p>	<p>Upon completion of the required formalities, Leena Ylä-Mononen will be appointed as EEA's Executive Director.</p> <p>Her mandate is foreseen to start shortly after the end of Hans Bruyninckx's second mandate on 31 May 2023.</p>
	The MB thanked Gilles Gantelet (DG ENV) for the fruitful cooperation over the past years.	

The meeting closed at 16:30.

Approved by the EEA Management Board at the 98th Management Board meeting

23 March 2023, Brussels

Signed

Laura Burke
Chair, EEA Management Board

Annexes

- Annex 1: Final agenda of 98th Management Board meeting, 23rd March 2023
- Annex 2: Participants list, 98th Management Board meeting, 23rd March 2023
- Annex 3: Meeting dates, version March 2023

Annex 1:

**Draft agenda of 98th Management Board meeting
Thursday, 23 March 2023, 9:00-16:30, Centre Albert Borschette, Brussels**

AGENDA AND FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS
FOR ADOPTION
1. Adoption of draft agenda
FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK
2. MB decision list: 97th meeting (8 December 2022)
3. Update by the Management Board Chair (verbal update)

UPDATES FOR INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK
4. Update by the Executive Director
5. Update by the European Commission
6. Update by the Scientific Committee Chair
7. Feedback from Management Board members (verbal update)

The closed session is expected to start at the latest at 11:00.

CLOSED SESSION*
8. Appraisal of the Executive Director: outcome for reporting year 2022 (verbal update)
9. Decision on interim Executive Director
10. Selection of EEA's next Executive Director: overview of the procedure including declarations of absence of conflict of interest, interviews of shortlisted candidates, deliberations, vote and announcement of the outcome
11. Final comments from Management Board members (verbal update)

**Documents for the closed session are confidential and will not be uploaded to Eionet Forum. MB members will receive them separately.*

Annex 2:**Participants list, 98th Management Board meeting, Thursday 23 March 2023, 09:00–16:30 CET, Brussels**

Represented country/ organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/ expert)	Presence
Austria	Elisabeth Freytag-Rigler	Member	<i>Present</i>
Belgium	Michiel Van Peteghem	Member	<i>Present</i>
Bulgaria	Rosalina Indzhieva	Alternate member	<i>Present</i>
Croatia	Aljoša Duplić	Member	<i>Present</i>
Cyprus	Irene Constantinou	Alternate member	<i>Present</i>
Czech Republic	Michal Pastvinský	Member	<i>Present</i>
Denmark	Henrik Hedeman Olsen	Alternate member	<i>Present</i>
Estonia	Margit Martinson	Member	<i>Present</i>
Finland	Tanja Suni	Member	<i>Present</i>
France	Diane Simiu	Member	<i>Present</i>
Germany	Julia Werner	Member	<i>Present</i>
Greece	Evangelia Stamouli	Expert	<i>Present</i>
Hungary	Krisztina Prém	Member	<i>Present</i>
Iceland	Bergþóra Guðmundsdóttir	Member	<i>Present</i>
Ireland	Laura Burke	Chair, member	<i>Present</i>
Italy	Alessandro Bratti	Member	<i>Present</i>
Italy	Stefania Ministrini	Expert	<i>Present</i>
Latvia	Andris Kēniņš	Member	<i>Present</i>
Luxembourg	André Weidenhaupt	Member	<i>Present</i>
Netherlands	Ingeborg Absil	Alternate member	<i>Present</i>
Norway	Ingunn Limstrand	Member	<i>Present</i>
Poland	Magda Gosk	Member	<i>Present</i>
Portugal	Nuno Lacasta	Member	<i>Present</i>
Romania	Lorand Fülöp	Member	<i>Present</i>
Slovakia	Mária Fischerová	Member	<i>Present</i>
Slovenia	Tanja Bolte	Member	<i>Present</i>

Represented country/ organisation	Name	Role (member, alternate member, observer/ expert)	Presence
Slovenia	Joško Knez	Alternate member	<i>Present</i>
Spain	Antonio Nieto Magro	Member	<i>Present</i>
Sweden	Anna Otmalm	Member	<i>Present</i>
Switzerland	Petra Zimmermann	Member	<i>Present</i>
Switzerland	Nicolas Perritaz	Expert	<i>Present</i>
Designated by the EP	Lena Neij	Member	<i>Present</i>
EC – DG ENV	Gilles Gantelet	Member	<i>Present</i>
EC – DG ENV	Claudia Fusco	Observer	<i>Present</i>
EC – DG ENV	Josiane Masson	Observer	<i>Present</i>
EC – JRC	Alessandra Zampieri	Alternate member	<i>Present</i>
EC – JRC	Greet Janssens-Maenhout	Observer	<i>Present</i>
EC – DG RTD	John Bell	Member	<i>Present</i>
EC – DG RTD	Jean Dusart	Observer	<i>Present</i>
EC – DG CLIMA	Yvon Slingenberg	Observer	<i>Present</i>
EC – DG CLIMA	Jürgen Salay	Observer	<i>Present</i>
EEA Scientific Committee	Claire Dupont	SC Chair	<i>Present</i>
EEA	Hans Bruyninckx	EEA SMT	<i>Present</i>
EEA	Katja Rosenbohm	EEA SMT	<i>Present</i>
EEA	Jock Martin	EEA SMT	<i>Present</i>
EEA	Milan Chrenko	EEA	<i>Present</i>
EEA	Said El Khadraoui	EEA	<i>Present</i>
EEA	Jasmiina Laurmaa	MB Secretariat	<i>Present</i>
EEA	Dana Bjurner	MB Secretariat	<i>Present</i>
EEA	Pia Schmidt	MB Secretariat	<i>Present</i>

Annex 3:

MEETING DATES IN 2023
MANAGEMENT BOARD, BUREAU, SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND NFP/EIONET

VERSION MARCH 2023

Meeting	Proposed date
Bureau (virtual) OR Bureau + Extraordinary Management Board meeting (if needed)	Thursday 26 January 2023
84 th Scientific Committee	Tuesday-Wednesday, 7-8 February 2023
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday, 28 February 2023
Network component of the 2023 event (Copenhagen)	Wednesday, 1 March 2023
Bureau	Wednesday, 22 March 2023
Management Board	Thursday, 23 March 2023
Bureau (virtual)	Wednesday, 10 May 2023
85 th Scientific Committee	Tuesday-Wednesday, 23-24 May 2023
Bureau	Wednesday, 7 June 2023
Management Board	Thursday, 8 June 2023
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Wednesday, 13-14 June 2023
Bureau (virtual)	Thursday, 5 October 2023
NFP/Eionet meeting	Tuesday-Thursday, 10-12 October 2023
86 th Scientific Committee	Tuesday-Wednesday, 24-25 October 2023
Bureau	Wednesday, 13 December 2023
Management Board	Thursday, 14 December 2023