

PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS

69[™] MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING 30 MARCH 2023, REMOTE

1. Reporting 2022

The Management Board (MB) adopted ECHA's Annual Report for 2022, with changes agreed in the meeting. The Annual Report includes the General Report required by REACH and the Consolidated Annual Activity Report of the Executive Director.

The MB also adopted its assessment of the Executive Director's Consolidated Annual Activity Report for 2022, which was prepared by its Subgroup Strategy, Planning and Implementation and amended during the meeting.

The full Annual Report will be published on ECHA's website and submitted to the Institutions and Member States.

2. ECHA Committees

The Management Board renewed the mandates of three current members (Gabriele AQUILINA, Michael NEUMANN and Boguslaw BARANSKI) and appointed two new candidates (Sotirios CHRISTODOULOU and Urs SCHLÜTER) to the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC).

The MB appointed two new candidates for the Committee for Socio-Economic Analysis (SEAC) (Davor ŽELJEŽIĆ and Gábor TŐKÉS).

The MB also took note of the annual report from the ECHA committees (RAC, SEAC, Member State Committee (MSC) and Biocidal Products Committee (BPC)) and thanked Tim BOWMER (RAC Chair) and Erik VAN DE PLASSCHE (BPC Chair) for their contribution to ECHA's work over the past years, as they delivered their last annual report to the MB.

3. Development of the ECHA strategy statement

The Management Board confirmed the process and timeline for developing ECHA's strategy statement 2024-2028. In this context, the MB designated a subset of its members to take the lead to work with the Executive Director and the secretariat in the development process. The strategy statement will be developed in 2023, and it will define the direction and focus for the Agency in the context of current and future mandates, as well as set priorities for people and organisational development.

4. ECHA Conflict of Interest policy

The Management Board expressed support to the direction of the proposed changes to ECHA's Conflict of Interest policy, which aim to further strengthen the existing measures and streamline their application. The proposal is open for further input from MB members, and on that basis, a proposal for the revision will be submitted for approval in the next MB meeting.

The MB appointed Per ÄNGQUIST (Sweden) as the new member of the ECHA Conflict of Interest Advisory Committee (CoIAC), appointed from among the MB members. The mandate of two years of Per ÄNGQUIST will start on 1 June 2023. The MB warmly thanked Judite DIPANE (Latvia) for her service as a CoIAC member since 2016.

5. Other topics

The Management Board

- took note of a report from the secretariat on the actions undertaken in 2021-2022 to improve the transparency of the Agency's work and of an update on ECHA's planned work in the area of Data Availability;
- decided that, in the future, the actions to enhance transparency will be included as parts of the annual and multiannual work programming and regular reporting cycles;
- adopted amended Implementing Rules on the reclassification of Temporary Agents, which will enter into force at a later date, subject to the formal agreement of the European Commission;
- took note of the report from the Executive Director;
- took note of an update from its members representing the European Commission regarding published or upcoming legislative proposals with an impact on ECHA's mandate and resourcing;
- adopted the revised composition of its Subgroups, adding Claudia DUMITRU (RO) to the SG Board of Appeal;
- took note of the report on ECHA's activities December 2022 February 2023;
- took note of the regular Information Security and IT business continuity report and
- took note of the update of the Management Board Rolling Plan for 2023-2025.
