

Preliminary conclusions of the 72nd Management Board Meeting

14 - 15 December 2023, Helsinki

1. ECHA Strategy

The Management Board adopted ECHA's Strategy Statement for 2024-2028. It will be published in January 2024.

2. ECHA Programming

The Management Board adopted the final Single Programming Document 2024-2026 and endorsed the draft Single Programming Document 2025-2027. The Programming Documents will be sent to the European Commission, the European Parliament and the Council, as required by the Financial Regulation.

3. ECHA finances

The Management Board adopted ECHA's budget, establishment plan and procurement plan for 2024. ECHA's total expenditure budget will amount to ≤ 127.9 million, including the expenditure related to the delegated tasks. The budget, including the establishment plan, will be transmitted for information to the European Parliament and the Council, the Court of Auditors and the Commission, and published on the website of the Agency.

The Management Board also took note of the transfers within the 2023 budget since the last notification.

4. Agency Risk Register

The Management Board approved the Agency Risk Register and took note of the draft Risk Management Procedure.

5. ECHA Committees

The Management Board appointed four new members, STALTER Daniel (DE), WILDEMANN Tanja (LU), HOFFMANN Frauke (SI) and KLÖSLOVÁ Zuzana (SK), to the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) and renewed the mandate of four RAC members, TOBIASSEN Lea Stine (DK), MENDAš STARČEVIć Gordana (HR), VIEGAS Susana (PT) and PRIBU Mihaela (RO).

The Management Board also renewed the mandate of three members, LÜDEKE Andreas (EE), ARGYROPOULOS Christos (CY) and LEAHY Eimear (IE), in the Committee for Socio-Economic Assessment (SEAC).

In the context of increasing the payments for REACH restriction rapporteur work in RAC and SEAC, the Management Board adopted a revised decision on the remuneration of the co-opted members and experts invited by the ECHA Committees or the Forum, as well as a draft revised decision on the financial arrangements for the transfer of a proportion of fees to the Member States. The latter requires the favourable opinion of the European Commission to enter in force.



6. Other topics

The Management Board

- adopted the revised composition of its Subgroups;
- 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;
- took note of reports from its Subgroups Strategy, Planning and Implementation, Finance, Audit and Risks and Strategy;
- approved the annual audit plan of the Internal Audit Capability (IAC) for 2024;
- adopted the Commission model decision C(2023) 5076 final of 25.7.2023 on giving the Commission's ex ante agreement to the adoption by decentralised agencies and joint undertakings of implementing provisions on working time and hybrid working;
- took note of the Regular Information Security and IT business continuity report;
- took note of information on the outcome of its written procedure MB/WP/02/2023;
- took note of the planned Management Board meeting dates for 2024-2025;
- took note of the annual recap of corporate ethical duties 2023 and
- took note of information concerning the <u>ECHA Conference 2024</u>.
