

Preliminary conclusions of the 71st Management Board Meeting

28-29 September 2023, online

1. Agency Risk Management Policy

The Management Board adopted ECHA's risk management policy, which defines the framework for identifying, assessing and managing risks to reduce the likelihood of negative impacts on ECHA's objectives and ensures that risk management is integrated into the decision-making process. The Policy will guide the drafting of internal working procedures.

2. ECHA budget

The Management Board adopted the second amendment to ECHA's 2023 budget, as well as an amendment of the procurement plan 2023. The budget amendment reflects the outcome of the review of the 2023 income estimates and expenditure needs. The Management Board also took note of the budget transfers carried out under the responsibility of the Executive Director since the last notification.

3. Board of Appeal

The Management Board took note of a report from its Subgroup Board of Appeal and took a decision with respect to the prolongation of the mandate of certain members of the Board of Appeal.

4. ECHA Strategy Statement 2024-2028

The Management Board reviewed the draft ECHA strategy statement 2024-2028 and expressed support to its general direction, as well as appreciation for the strategy development process. Feedback was provided on various elements of the statement, which will be reflected in further drafting, leading to final review and adoption by December 2023.

5. Other topics

The Management Board

- adopted the revised composition of its Subgroups, by adding Katarína ZGALINOVIČOVÁ (SK) to the Subgroup Board of Appeal;
- 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;
- held its annual exchange of views with the Chair of the Enforcement Forum;
- took note of reports from its Subgroups Strategy, Planning and Implementation, Finance, Audit and Risks and Strategy;
- took note of the ECHA staff survey results 2023;
- took note of the follow-up on discharge 2021 recommendations;
- took note of information on the outcome of its written procedure MB/WP/01/2023;
- took note of the ECHA Quarterly Report - Q2 2023 and
- took note of the revised Management Board meeting dates for 2024.
