

PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS

**65TH MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
29-30 MARCH 2022, HYBRID MEETING, HELD IN HELSINKI AND ONLINE**

The Management Board (MB) warmly thanked and bid farewell to Bjorn HANSEN, Executive Director, and Jukka MALM, Deputy Executive Director, who are retiring from the Agency and attended their last Board meeting.

1. Reporting 2021

The MB adopted ECHA's Annual Report for 2021, which includes the General Report required by REACH and the Consolidated Annual Activity Report of the Executive Director. The full report will be published on ECHA's website and submitted to the Institutions and Member States.

The MB also adopted its assessment of the Executive Director's Consolidated Annual Activity Report for 2021, which was prepared by its Subgroup Strategy, Planning and Implementation.

2. ECHA Committees

The MB appointed one new member to the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) (Loreta STRUMYLAITÉ) and four new members for the Committee for Socio-Economic Analysis (SEAC) (Nikoletta SOFIKITI, Ignacio GRACIA FERNÁNDEZ, Priscilla REALE, Oona FREUDENTHAL).

The MB took note of the annual report from the ECHA committees (RAC, SEAC, the Member State Committee and the Biocidal Products Committee) and of the secretariat's analysis of the capacity and organisation of the RAC and its preliminary reflection on the organisation of ECHA committee work in view of new tasks.

3. Other topics

The Management Board

- agreed to a proposal to discontinue the chemical similarity check service performed in the context of BPR;
- took note of the secretariat's methodology for coordination and foresight for preparing for new and revised tasks;
- took note of an update on new ways of working and conducting meetings;
- took note of the transfers within the budget since the last notification;
- took note of the quarterly report on ECHA's activities;
- took note of the update of the Management Board Rolling Plan 2022-2024 and
- followed a presentation from a Member of the European Court of Auditors concerning the future of EU Agencies, and their role in EU policy implementation and development.
