

Appointment of Committee Members

39th Meeting of the Management Board 24-25 September 2015

Item	11.2
Action	For decision
Status	Final - Public

Proposal

The Management Board is invited to appoint three new candidates for the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) membership nominated by Bulgaria, Cyprus and Luxembourg. If the Management Board appoints these members, RAC will have 47 members.

Background

Each Member State may nominate candidates to membership of RAC and SEAC. The Executive Director is required to establish a list of nominees, which is published on the ECHA website. The Management Board shall appoint the members of the Committee from this list, including at least one member but no more than two from the nominees of each Member State. Members shall be appointed for their experience in performing the tasks specified in the REACH Regulation. Further, the membership of Committee members appointed for a term of three years shall be renewable. In order to safeguard the independence, integrity and credibility of the Committees, Member States were asked to make their nominations in accordance with the eligibility criteria adopted by the Management Board at its 31st Meeting on 26-27 September 2013.

Member States were asked for written commitment (see nomination forms attached) to provide adequate scientific and technical resources to the nominated member and to enable him/her to use at least half of his/her working time for this task. Commitment to provide such support has been received from the Member States for all the nominees.

Rationale

New candidates for RAC membership

Three Member States have nominated the following new candidates:

Bulgaria CHANKOVA-PETROVA Stephka

The nominee Dr Stephka Chankova-Petrova is currently employed as a professor and Head of Department "Ecosystem research, ecological risk assessment and conservation biology", and a Head of the section "Environmental mutagenesis and genetic risk assessment, genetics, environmental mutagenesis, ecotoxicology and ecology. Her main fields of in-depth expertise are related to environmental exposure assessment. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with the RAC needs and her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making her eligible for membership of the Committee.

Cyprus

ANDREOU Kostas

The nominee Dr Kostas Andreou has a Ph.D. in environmental science. He is currently employed as a teacher at the Cyprus University of Technology, department of Environmental Sciences and Technology, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Environmental Management. His main field of in-depth expertise is related to analytical chemistry in the context of ecotoxicology and soil science. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with the RAC needs and his declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making him eligible for membership of the Committee.

Luxembourg

MÖLLER Ruth

The nominee Dr Ruth Möller is currently employed in the REACH&CLP Helpdesk in Luxembourg. Her main fields of in-depth expertise are related to human exposure assessment and regulatory human health risk assessment. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with the RAC needs and her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making her eligible for membership of the Committee.

Alternative options

The Management Board could decide to not appoint a second member nominated by a given Member State. This would be contradictory to the requests made for nominating a 2nd member and detrimental to the efforts to strengthen the capacity of the Committees for coping with their high workload. No other candidates have been proposed and there are therefore no alternative candidates to appoint.

Drawbacks

The only visible disadvantage of the proposal lies in the costs related to reimbursement of members. The benefits of the additional expertise outweigh these costs by far.

Attachments:

- Annex 1: Envisaged composition of RAC after the MB 39
- Annex 2: Support documents¹_Stephka CHANKOVA-PETROVA_Nomination_BG_RAC
- Annex 3: Support documents_Kostas ANDREOU_Nomination_CY_RAC
- Annex 4: Support documents_Ruth MÖLLER_Nomination_LU_RAC

For questions: jukka.malm@echa.europa.eu with copy to mb-secretariat@echa.europa.eu

¹ Support documents include nominee's (re-)nomination letter/email, nomination form, CV, declaration of interests (DoI) and expertise grid.

Annex 1 - Envisaged composition of the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) after the 24-25 September 2015 Management Board Meeting (MB-39)

	Nominated by	Nominee's name
1.	Austria	HÖLZL Christine
2.	Austria	KAPELARI Sonja
3.	Bulgaria	CHANKOVA-PETROVA Stephka
4.	Croatia	VARNAI Veda Marija
5.	Czech Republic	RUCKI Marian
6.	Cyprus	ANDREOU Kostas
7.	Cyprus	KALOGIROU Andreas
8.	Denmark	TOBIASSEN Lea Stine
9.	Denmark	SØRENSEN Hammer Peter
10.	Estonia	SCHLÜTER Urs
11.	Finland	LEINONEN Riitta
12.	Finland	SANTONEN Tiina
13.	France	PASQUIER Elodie
14.	France	COPIN Stéphanie
15.	Germany	RUPPRICH Norbert
16.	Germany	STAHLMANN Ralf
17.	Greece	SPETSERIS Nikolaos
18.	Greece	TSITSIMPIKOU Christina
19.	Hungary	BIRÓ Anna
20.	Hungary	GRUIZ Katalin
21.	Iceland	HUSA Stine
22.	Ireland	MURRAY Brendan
23.	Ireland	MULLOOLY Yvonne
24.	Italy	Di PROSPERO Fanghella Paola
25.	Italy	PARIS Pietro
26.	Latvia	KADIKIS Normunds
27.	Latvia	STASKO Jolanta
28.	Lithuania	DUNAUSKIENE Lina
29.	Lithuania	UZOMECKAS Zilvinas
30.	Luxembourg	MÖLLER Ruth
31.	Luxembourg	NEUMANN Michael
32.	Netherlands	HAKKERT Betty
33.	Netherlands	PRONK Marja
34.	Norway	BJØRGE Christine
35.	Poland	BARANSKI Boguslaw
36.	Poland	CZERCZAK Slawomir
37.	Portugal	CARVALHO João
38.	Romania	BRANISTEANU Radu
39.	Romania	ILIE Mihaela
40.	Slovenia	MENARD SRPČIČ Anja
41.	Slovenia	SCHULTE Agnes
42.	Spain	SOGORB Miguel
43.	Spain	TADEO José Luis
44.	Sweden	GUSTAFSON Anne-Lee
45.	Sweden	LUND Bert-Ove
46.	United Kingdom	DUNGEY Stephen
47.	United Kingdom	SMITH Andrew