

eu-LISA MANAGEMENT BOARD PROCEEDINGS SUMMARY

WHEN 16 March 2021
WHERE Online video conference
WHAT The 27th Management Board meeting

On Tuesday, 16 March 2021, the Management Board of the European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA) held its **27th meeting** in an online format.

The European Commission started by providing a comprehensive report on **the status of the legal proposals affecting the operations of eu-LISA**. This included progress made with EES, ETIAS Consequential Amendments, renewed VIS, SIS Recast, ECRIS-TCN, Interoperability related legislation, the Eurodac Recast and e-CODEX.

The European Commission presented the main aspects related to eu-LISA in terms of the **Multiannual Financial Framework 2021–2027**, which was adopted at the end of 2020.

The Executive Director of eu-LISA informed members of the Management Board on **the status of the implementation of the budget for 2021**, which at the beginning of the year is at an overall implementation rate of around 20% from targeted 95% by year-end commitment and payment appropriations.

The Deputy Executive Director of eu-LISA gave a status update on restrictive and preventive measures taken in light of **COVID-19** and the work of the dedicated taskforce.

The status of **implementation of Interoperability**, with Entry into Operation scheduled for the end of 2023, was discussed extensively. The Management Board was informed about the **Interoperability Conference** held on 17 February where Member States, the Commission, eu-LISA and other Justice and Home Affairs Agencies attended, more than 180 participants in total. eu-LISA presented the overall status of **Integrated Planning**, which aims to provide an overview of the high-level implementation planning for Interoperability at strategic/programme level.

Considering the recommendations provided by the **EES, ETIAS, Interoperability and ECRIS-TCN** Programme Management Boards (PMBs) and having heard from the respective Advisory Group (AG) Chairpersons about the discussions in the AGs and the respective PMB Chairpersons about discussions in the PMBs, the Management Board adopted decisions addressing different aspects of implementation of the new systems.

The **Chairpersons of the SIS II, Eurodac, VIS AGs** informed the Management Board about the results and discussions in the respective AG meetings, held since the last regular MB meeting of November 2020. All systems are performing well, with very little downtime in the reporting period. Brexit-related operations were executed successfully and the deletion of UK-related alerts is still going on. Member States were called upon to ensure that the SIS recast development is on track for entry into operation by the end of December 2021. Member States were also urged to connect to SIS AFIS and to use the functionality.

eu-LISA gave the state of play of the **Roadmap of Standardisation** concerning data quality that is discussed at Council level in the Working Party on Information Exchange (IXIM). The Agency will present a proposal for an action plan for the implementation of the Roadmap at the next Management Board meeting.



After the positive outcome of consultation of the Agency with the Commission, the Management Board adopted the Impact Assessment related to Uninterrupted Availability pursuant to Article 10 of the Establishing Regulation of eu-LISA.

The Management Board took note of reports from the **Security Officer**, the **Data Protection Officer** and **Internal Audit Capability** of eu-LISA.

Among other various topics, the Management Board was informed about the proposal for eu-LISA's **new logo and visual identity** and activities related to the **EU Innovation Hub**. The Management Board was invited to nominate members of the **Working Group on Artificial Intelligence**. The Board **also** took note of the **Terms of Reference** signed between the European Commission (DG HOME) and eu-LISA regarding the role of eu-LISA in parts of the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation.

Without discussion, the Management Board took note of miscellaneous matters (e.g. on the status of the second extension of the Strasbourg site, on the implementation report of eu-LISA training in 2020, etc) and adopted the Multi-System Exercise Report 2020.

The next Management Board meeting is planned to be held on **29-30 June 2021**.