

## Appointment of committee members

68<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Management Board 15-16 December 2022

### Proposal

- The Management Board is invited to renew the mandate of seven current members and appoint one new candidate for the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC).

If the Management Board appoints these members, RAC will have **44 members** (not including five co-opted members; see Annex 1a).

- The Management Board is invited to renew the mandates of six current members for the Committee for Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC).

If the Management Board appoints these members, SEAC will have **33 members** (not including four co-opted members; see Annex 1b).

### 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. Furthermore, 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 as updated in March 2022.

A letter dated 3 October 2022 was sent by the Secretariat to those Member State Permanent Representations which are due to (re-)nominate candidates for membership of RAC and SEAC.

Member States were asked for written commitment to provide adequate scientific and technical resources to the nominated member and to enable them to use at least 50% of their working time for this task. A commitment to provide such support has been received from the Member States for all the nominees (see Annex 2-3).

In addition to the review of their CV and other nomination information by the Committee Chairs, the nominees are interviewed to make sure that they understand the level of commitment in terms of time and contribution to the Committees and confirm that they are available.

## Rationale

### Candidate for renewal of RAC membership

Seven Member States proposed the renewal of the membership of the following RAC members whose three-year term will expire in the period 1 January – 30 June 2023. If the renewal is approved by the Management Board, the new term of this member will start on the day after the expiry date of their current term of office, as indicated below.

MS	RAC member	Expiry date of current 3-year term	Feedback from the RAC Chair
GR	TSITSIMPIKOU Christina	22/03/2023	Dr Tsitsimpikou has been a RAC member since 2011. She has provided a consistent contribution as rapporteur on the human health part of CLP dossiers. She was interviewed by the Chair on 31 October 2022. Her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and she has confirmed her availability.
GR	SPETSERIS Nikolaos	22/03/2023	Dr Spetseris has been a RAC member since 2011. He has provided a consistent contribution as rapporteur on the human health part of CLP dossiers. He was interviewed by the Chair on 18 October 2022. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and he has confirmed his availability.
RO	DOCEA Anca Oana	06/04/2023	Dr Docea has been a RAC member since 2020. She has provided a consistent contribution as rapporteur on CLP dossiers in her first term. She was interviewed by the Chair on 22 November 2022. Her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and she has confirmed her availability.
FI	SANTONEN Tiina	16/06/2023	Dr Santonen has been a RAC member since 2014. She has provided a strong and consistent contribution as rapporteur on OELs, restrictions, authorisations and CLP dossiers, noting additional support from her advisors on all aspects. Her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and she has confirmed her availability to the Chair.
IE	MURRAY Brendan	16/06/2023	Dr Murray has been a RAC member since 2014. He has provided strong and consistent contribution as rapporteur on larger CLP dossiers. He was interviewed by the Chair on 4 November 2022. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and he has confirmed his availability to the Chair.

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NL	HAKKERT Betty	20/06/2022	Dr Hakkert has been a RAC member since 2011. She has provided a strong and consistent contribution as rapporteur on CLP, Restriction and Authorisation dossiers, noting additional support from her advisors particularly on occupational health and safety and environment. She was interviewed by the Chair on 21 November 2022. Her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and she has confirmed her availability.
IE	DOAK Malcolm	25/06/2023	Mr Doak has been a RAC member since 2020. He has provided a consistent and growing contribution as rapporteur on Authorisation and Restriction dossiers in his first term. He was interviewed by the Chair on 1 November 2022. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and he has confirmed his availability.

### New candidate for RAC membership

There is one new nomination for the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC).

MS	Nominated RAC member	Feedback from the RAC Chair
IT	ESPOSITO Dania	Dr Esposito currently works as a biologist-technologist at the Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA) in Rome and has been an Advisor to the previous Italian RAC member for several years. Her area of in-depth expertise is in environment and ecotoxicology. She was interviewed by the Chair on 21 November 2022.  Her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and she has confirmed her availability.

### Candidates for renewal of SEAC membership

The Member States proposed the renewal of the membership of the following SEAC members whose 3-year term will expire in the period 1 January – 30 June 2023.

MS	SEAC member	Expiry date of current 3-year term	Feedback from the SEAC Chair
CY	ANASTASIOU Christos	28.03.2023	Mr Anastasiou is employed as a Professor of environmental engineering in Frederick University, Cyprus. He has been a SEAC member since 2017. He has provided a strong and consistent contribution as rapporteur on numerous authorisation dossiers. He was interviewed by the Chair in November 2022. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and he has confirmed his availability.

BE	COGEN Simon	14.02.2023	Mr Cogen works for the Belgian REACH Helpdesk. He has been a SEAC member since 2013. He has provided outstanding contribution as rapporteur for both authorisation and restriction cases, as well as horizontal issues, and frequently provides scrutiny of other opinions, both in written consultations and during plenary. He was interviewed by the Chair in November 2022. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and he has confirmed his availability.
SI	DOLENC Darko	25.06.2023	Mr Dolenc is a retired professor of organic chemistry. His latest employment was as a professor for the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Technology. He has been a SEAC member since 2020, and has provided a strong and growing contribution as rapporteur on several authorisation cases. He was interviewed by the Chair in November 2022. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and he has confirmed his availability.
AT	FANKHAUSER Simone	13.02.2023	Ms Fankhauser is Head of Expert Team Chemicals at the Austrian Environment Agency. She has been a SEAC member since 2008. She has provided outstanding contribution as rapporteur on complex restriction and authorisation dossiers. She was interviewed by the Chair in November 2022. Her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and she has confirmed her availability.
SI	ISKRA Jernej	25.06.2023	Mr Iskra is employed as a Professor of organic chemistry at the Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Technology, University of Ljubljana. He has been a SEAC member since 2020, and has provided a strong and growing contribution as rapporteur on several authorisation cases, and is also currently undertaking his first restriction rapporteurship. He was interviewed by the Chair in November 2022. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and he has confirmed his availability.

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DK	PETERSEN Ida Svostrup	25.06.2023	Ms Petersen is employed as a Socio Economist / Environmental Economist for the Danish Environmental Protection Agency. She has been a SEAC member since 2020 and has provided a strong contribution as rapporteur on a restriction case. She was interviewed by the Chair in November 2022. Her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern and she has confirmed her availability.
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### Alternative options

The Management Board could decide not to appoint a second member nominated by a given Member State. This would be contradictory to the requests made for nominating a second member and detrimental to the efforts to strengthen the capacity of the Committees for coping with their high workload, in particular where the member has proved to be an active one. No other candidates have been proposed and there are, therefore, no alternative candidates to appoint. The Secretariat will continue to monitor the activity level of the appointed members to inform their potential renewal.

### Drawbacks

The sole potential disadvantage of the proposal lies in the costs related to reimbursement of members. The benefits of the additional expertise outweigh these costs.

### Attachments

- Annex 1a – b: Envisaged composition of the RAC and SEAC after MB-68

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**Annex 1a - Envisaged composition of the Committee for Risk Assessment after the 15-16 December 2022 Management Board meeting (MB68)**

	<b>Nominated by</b>	<b>Nominee's name</b>
1	Austria	FACCHIN Manuel
2	Austria	LOSERT Annemarie
3	Belgium	RODRIGUEZ-GONZALEZ Wendy
4	Bulgaria	KARADJOVA Irina
5	Croatia	MENDAŠ STARČEVIĆ Gordana
6	Croatia	VARNAI Veda
7	Cyprus	XANTHOS Theodoros*
8	Czech Republic	MARTÍNEK Michal
9	Denmark	SØRENSEN Hammer Peter
10	Denmark	TOBIASSEN Lea Stine
11	Estonia	MOLDOV Raili
12	Estonia	SCHLUTER Urs**
13	Finland	LEINONEN Riitta
14	Finland	SANTONEN Tiina
15	France	ANGELI Karine
16	France	GEOFFROY Laure
17	Germany	GEBEL Thomas
18	Greece	SPETSERIS Nikolaos
19	Greece	TSITSIMPIKOU Christina
20	Hungary	BIRÓ Anna
21	Ireland	DOAK Malcolm
22	Ireland	MURRAY Brendan
23	Italy	AQUILINA Gabriele
24	Italy	ESPOSITO Dania
25	Latvia	BROVKINA Julija
26	Latvia	KADIKIS Normunds
27	Lithuania	UŽOMECKAS Žilvinas
28	Luxembourg	MOELLER Ruth
29	Luxembourg	NEUMANN Michael
30	Netherlands	HAKKERT Betty
31	Netherlands	SCHUUR Gerlienke
32	Norway	RAKKESTAD Kirsten Eline
33	Norway	TEKPLI Nina
34	Poland	BARAŃSKI Bogusław
35	Poland	PĘCZKOWSKA Beata
36	Portugal	VIEGAS Susana
37	Romania	DOCEA Anca Oana
38	Romania	PRIBU Mihaela
39	Slovenia	MENARD SRPČIČ Anja
40	Slovenia	SCHULTE Agnes
41	Spain	FERNANDEZ Mariana
42	Spain	PIÑA Benjamin
43	Sweden	LUND Bert-Ove
44	Sweden	MOHAMMED Ifthekhar Ali
45	co-opted member	CHIURTU Elena
46	co-opted member	DEVILLER Geneviève

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*\* Resignation notification expected*

*\*\* Mandate ends 22 March 2023, not renewed*

47	co-opted member	GINNITY Bridget
48	co-opted member	HARTWIG Andrea
49	co-opted member	VAN DER HAAR Rudolf

**Annex 1b - Envisaged composition of the Committee for Socio-economic Analysis  
 after the 15-16 December 2022 Management Board meeting (MB68)**

	<b>Nominated by</b>	<b>Nominee's name</b>
1	Austria	FANKHAUSER Simone
2	Belgium	COGEN Simon
3	Belgium	PIÑEROS GARCET Juan
4	Bulgaria	NIKOVA Julieta
5	Cyprus	ANASTASIOU Christos
6	Cyprus	ARGYROPOULOS Christos
7	Denmark	SVOSTRUP PETERSEN Ida
8	Estonia	LUEDEKE Andreas
9	Finland	KIISKI Johanna
10	France	BRIGNON Jean-Marc
11	France	JOMINI Stéphane
12	Germany	BÜCKER Michael
13	Germany	THIELE Karen
14	Greece	SOFIKITI Nikoletta
15	Hungary	SCHUCHTÁR Endre
16	Ireland	LEAHY Eimear
17	Italy	CASTELLI Stefano
18	Italy	REALE Priscilla
19	Latvia	BERGS Ivars
20	Latvia	GAIDUKOVŠ Sergejs
21	Lithuania	RUZGYS Karolis
22	Luxembourg	FREUDENTHAL Oona
23	Netherlands	JANSSEN Martien
24	Netherlands	GABBERT Silke
25	Norway	MÅGE Marit
26	Poland	DOMINIAK Dorota
27	Portugal	SERRA Alexandra
28	Slovenia	DOLENC Darko
29	Slovenia	ISKRA Jernej
30	Spain	GRACIA FERNÁNDEZ Ignacio
31	Spain	RODRIGUEZ HERNANDEZ Manuel
32	Sweden	TURVEY Alex
33	Sweden	JOYCE John
34	Co-opted member	ROUW Aart
35	Co-opted member	JONES Derrick
36	Co-opted member	SPITERI Jonathan
37	Co-opted member	CAVALIERI Luisa