

Policy on managing potential Conflict of Interests - Conflict of Interest Advisory Committee mandate

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Item	13 a
Action	For decision
Status	Final - public

Action requested

The Management Board is invited to appoint a Management Board representative to ECHA's Conflict of Interest Advisory Committee.

Background

The Conflict of Interest Advisory Committee is an important element of the ECHA Procedure for Prevention and Management of potential Conflicts of Interest (as revised at the MB meeting of March 2014¹). It is available to the Management Board, the Committees and the Forum as well as to the Executive Director for advice on matters related to (potential) conflicts of interest of individuals staffing the Agency or members of its bodies. It is composed of the Head of the Legal Affairs unit of the Agency, acting as Chair, of a person designated by the Management Board and of an outside expert designated by the Executive Director for its competence in the field of conflicts of interest. According to the Terms of Reference of the Committee², the two latter members have a mandate of two years, which is renewable.

In December 2011 the Management Board appointed Antonello Lapalorcia as its representative (the two year term was counted from the constituent meeting of the Committee on 24 August 2012), while the Executive Director of the Agency appointed Thomas Henökl as the external expert to the Committee. The term of both members is coming to a close and a decision on the future composition of the Committee is needed.

The Executive Director has decided to renew the mandate of the external expert, Thomas Henökl, for another term of two years.

The Management Board shall decide on the designation of the Management Board representative.

Matters for consideration

When contacted by the ECHA Secretariat Mr Antonello Lapalorcia indicated his readiness to serve another term, if the Management Board would so decide.

¹ MB decision 09/2014

² MB/38/2012/D(2)final