

## Appointment of Committee members

46<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Management Board 21-22 June 2017

### Proposal

The Management Board is invited to appoint or re-appoint 5 candidates for the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) and to appoint or re-appoint 8 candidates for the Committee for Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC) membership.

If the Management Board appoints these members, RAC will have 53 members (including 4 co-opted members) and SEAC will have 40 members (including 3 co-opted 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 31<sup>st</sup> Meeting on 26-27 September 2013.

A letter dated 6 April 2017 was sent by the Secretariat to those Member State Permanent Representations which are due to (re-)nominate candidates to membership of RAC and SEAC.

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:

**Austria**                      LOSERT Annemarie

The nominee Ms LOSERT Annemarie is employed as a regulatory toxicologist at the Environment Agency (Vienna, Austria). She has previously been a RAC Member. Her main fields of expertise are toxicology in human health (reproductive, mutagenicity, genotoxicity, carcinogenicity, assessment and *in vitro* cell toxicology). In the environmental field, she has in-depth knowledge of ecotoxicology in aquatic and sediment compartment. Ms Losert also has in-depth knowledge of classification and labelling of dangerous substances under 67/548/EEC, preparations directive and GHS. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with RAC needs and her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making her eligible for membership of the Committee.

If her appointment is decided by the Management Board, her term will start on the day after the expiry date of the term of office of the Austrian member she will be replacing.

**Bulgaria** VITCHEVA Vessela

The nominee Ms VITCHEVA Vessela is employed as an associate professor at the Medical University – Sofia, Faculty of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmacology, Pharmacotherapy and Toxicology (Sofia, Bulgaria). She also works as a consultant in computational toxicology, database design and implementation, safety and risk assessment for Altamira LLC Molecular Networks GmbH, a German molecular informatics company, declared not to be active in the field of REACH or OSH. Her main field of expertise is in toxicology in relation to human health. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with RAC needs and her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making her eligible for membership of the Committee.

**Italy** AQUILINA Gabriele

The nominee Mr AQUILINA Gabriele is employed as a researcher at the National Institute of Health, Department of Environment and Primary Prevention (Rome, Italy). He is also a member of the Advisory Committee for Biocides at the Italian Ministry of Health and a member of the National Institute of Health Expert Panel on Biocides as an expert in genotoxicity and carcinogenicity. His main fields of expertise are toxicology (reproductive, mutagenic and genotoxic) in relation to human health as well as regulatory human health risk assessment. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with RAC needs and his declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making him eligible for membership of the Committee.

### Candidates for renewal of RAC membership

The Member States proposed the renewal of the membership of the following RAC members whose 3-year term will expire in the period 1 July – 31 December 2017. If their renewal is approved by the Management Board, the new term of these members will start on the day after the expiry date of their current term of office, as indicated below:

MS	RAC member	Expiry date of the current 3-year term
Denmark	SOERENSEN Peter Hammer	24 September 2017
Germany	STAHLMANN Ralf	16 December 2017

These RAC members are experts with proven expertise in different areas relevant for the work of RAC and have made valuable contributions to the Committee during their previous periods of membership. The declarations of interest of these members raise no issues regarding their eligibility for membership.

## New candidates for SEAC membership

Two Member States have nominated the following new candidates:

### Czech Republic      BLAHA Karel

The nominee Mr BLAHA Karel is employed as the Director of the Department of Environmental Risks and Ecological Damage of the Ministry of Environment of the Czech Republic and was a Member of the Management board of ECHA from 2007 to 2017. His main fields of expertise are socio-economic analysis, assessment of alternatives and risk management of chemicals. Mr Blaha also has in-depth expertise in cross cutting issues related to authorisation, restrictions, exposure scenarios and risk assessment. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with the SEAC needs and his declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making him eligible for membership of the Committee.

### Lithuania              RUZGYS Karolis

The nominee Mr RUZGYS Karolis is employed as a chief official of Industry Policy Division of Industry Policy Department of the Ministry of Economy of Republic of Lithuania. His main fields of expertise are risk management as well as assessment of costs and benefits related to effects on the environment. Mr Ruzgys also has expertise in cross-cutting issues related to authorisation, restrictions, exposure scenarios and risk assessment. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with the SEAC needs and his declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making him eligible for membership of the Committee.

### Lithuania              ZAIKOVA Ilona

The nominee Ms ZAIKOVA Ilona is employed as a Chief Specialist in the Chemical Substance Division of the Environmental Chemical Agency of Lithuania. Her main fields of expertise are socio-economic analysis in relation to effects on the environment as well occupational health and hygiene. Ms Zaikova also has expertise in cross cutting issues related to authorisation, restrictions, exposure scenarios and risk assessment. The expertise of the proposed nominee is in line with the SEAC needs and her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making her eligible for membership of the Committee.

## Candidates for renewal of SEAC membership

The Member States proposed the renewal of the membership of the following 5 SEAC members whose 3-year term will expire in the period 1 July – 31 December 2017. If their renewal is approved by the Management Board, the new term of these members will start on the day after the expiry date of their current term of office, as indicated below:

MS	SEAC member	Expiry date of the current 3-year term
Croatia	KAJIC Silva	16 December 2017
Germany	THIELE Karen	25 September 2017
Latvia	LOCS Janis	16 December 2017
Latvia	BERGS Ivars	16 December 2017
Spain	NARROS SIERRA Adolfo	13 August 2017

These SEAC members are experts with proven expertise in different areas relevant for the work of SEAC and have made valuable contributions to the Committee during their previous period of memberships. The declarations of interests of these members raise no issues regarding their eligibility for membership.

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 and SEAC after the MB 46
- Annex 2 Support documents<sup>1</sup>\_LOSERT\_New\_RAC
- Annex 3 Support documents\_AQUILINA\_New\_RAC
- Annex 4 Support documents\_STAHLMANN\_Renewal\_DE\_RAC
- Annex 5 Support documents\_SOERENSEN\_Renewal\_DK\_RAC
- Annex 6 Support documents\_KAJIC\_Renewal\_HR\_SEAC
- Annex 7 Support documents\_THIELE\_Renewal\_DE\_SEAC
- Annex 8 Support documents\_NARROS\_SIERRA\_Renewal\_ES\_SEAC
- Annex 9 Support documents\_RUZGYS\_New\_LT\_SEAC
- Annex 10 Support documents\_ZAIKOVA\_New\_LT\_SEAC
- Annex 11 Support documents\_LOCS\_Renewal\_LV\_SEAC
- Annex 12 Support documents\_BERGS\_Renewal\_LV\_SEAC
- Annex 13 Support documents\_BLAHA\_New\_CZ\_SEAC
- Annex 14 Support documents\_VITCHEVA\_New\_BG\_RAC

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

**Annex 1a - Envisaged composition of the Committee for Risk Assessment after the 21-22 June 2017 Management Board Meeting (MB-46)**

	<b>Nominated by</b>	<b>Nominee's name</b>
1	Austria	HÖLZ Christine ( <i>to be replaced by LOSERT Annemarie in Dec. 2017</i> )
2	Austria	KAPELARI Sonja
3	Belgium	LECLOUX Hélène
4	Bulgaria	CHANKOVA-PETROVA Stephka
5	Bulgaria	VITCHEVA Vessela
6	Croatia	VARNAI Veda
7	Cyprus	AGAPIOU Agapios
8	Cyprus	ANDREOU Kostas
9	Czech Republic	MARTINEK Michal
10	Czech Republic	RUCKI Marian
11	Denmark	SOERENSEN Hammer Peter
12	Denmark	TOBIASSEN Lea Stine
13	Estonia	SCHLÜTER Urs
14	Finland	LEINONEN Riitta
15	Finland	SANTONEN Tiina
16	France	PRINTEMPS Nathalie
17	Germany	RUPPRICH Norbert
18	Germany	STAHLMANN Ralf
19	Greece	SPETSERIS Nikolaos
20	Greece	TSITSIMPIKOU Christina
21	Hungary	BIRO Anna
22	Hungary	GRUIZ Katalin
23	Iceland	HUSA Stine
24	Ireland	MULLOOLY Yvonne
25	Ireland	MURRAY Brendan
26	Italy	AQUILINA Gabriele
27	Italy	PARIS Pietro
28	Latvia	KADIKIS Normunds
29	Lithuania	DUNAUSKIENE Lina
30	Lithuania	UŽOMECKAS Žilvinas
31	Luxembourg	MOELLER Ruth
32	Luxembourg	NEUMANN Michael
33	Netherlands	HAKKERT Betty
34	Netherlands	PRONK Marja
35	Norway	BJØRGE Christine
36	Poland	BARANSKI Boguslaw
37	Poland	CZERCZAK Slawomir
38	Portugal	CARVALHO João
39	Romania	BRANISTEANU Radu
40	Romania	ILIE Mihaela
41	Slovakia	POLAKOVICOVA Helena
42	Slovenia	MENARD Anja
43	Slovenia	SCHULTE Agnes
44	Spain	SOGORB Miguel A.
45	Spain	DE LA FLOR TEJERO Ignacio
46	Sweden	GUSTAFSON Anne-Lee
47	Sweden	LUND Bert-Ove
48	United Kingdom	DUNGEY Stephen
49	United Kingdom	SMITH Andrew
50	co-opted member	CHIURTU Elena

51	co-opted member	JANKOWSKA Elzbieta
52	co-opted member	VAN DER HAAR Rudolf
53	co-opted member	VIEGAS Susana

**Annex 1b - Envisaged composition of the Committee for Socio-economic Analysis after the 21-22 June 2017 Management Board Meeting (MB-46)**

	<b>Nominated by</b>	<b>Nominee's name</b>
1	Austria	FANKHAUSER Simone
2	Austria	KNOFLACH Georg
3	Belgium	COGEN Simon
4	Belgium	DELCOURT Benjamin
5	Bulgaria	STOYANOVA-LAZAROVA Elina Velinova
6	Croatia	KAJIĆ Silva
7	Cyprus	ANASTASIOU Christos
8	Cyprus	NICOLAIDES Leandros
9	Czech Republic	PÍŠKOVÁ Martina
10	Czech Republic	BLAHA Karel
11	Denmark	FOCK Lars
12	Estonia	LÜDEKE Andreas
13	Finland	KIISKI Johanna
14	France	BRIGNON Jean-Marc
15	France	FIORE-TARDIEU Karine
16	Germany	URBAN Klaus
17	Germany	THIELE Karen
18	Hungary	SCHUCHTÁR Endre
19	Italy	CASTELLI Stefano
20	Italy	CAVALIERI Luisa
21	Latvia	BERGS Ivars
22	Latvia	LOČS Jānis
23	Lithuania	RUZGYS Karolis
24	Lithuania	ZAIKOVA Ilona
25	Netherlands	LUIT Richard
26	Netherlands	JANSSEN Martinus
27	Poland	RYDLEWSKA-LISZKOWSKA Izabela
28	Portugal	ALEXANDRE João
29	Romania	OLTEANU Maria
30	Romania	ZAMFIR Adrian Stefan
31	Slovenia	FURLAN Janez
32	Slovenia	KRAJNC Karmen
33	Spain	NARROS Adolfo
34	Sweden	NORING Maria
35	Sweden	THORS Åsa
36	United Kingdom	DOUGHERTY Gary
37	United Kingdom	GEORGIU Stavros
38	co-opted member	JONES Derrick
39	co-opted member	DRAKE Lars
40	co-opted member	CSERGO Robert