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Operating Framework of the Management Board

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Key messages

The Management Board is invited to take note of the technically revised document describing its operating framework.

Background

The document "Operating Framework of the Management Board" was approved in December 2012 in the context of a general review of the working methods of the Management Board¹. The Secretariat technically updated the document in the light of relevant factual developments.

Rationale

In general, the document shall provide a clear and detailed overview of the Board's role and its duties and responsibilities under the respective EU regulations and ECHA's own policies.

Since 2012 a number of relevant changes occurred, in particular:

- Following Croatia's adhesion to the European Union, the number of EU Member State representatives rose to 28 members.
- ECHA's Financial Regulation was revised, introducing for example the concept of a "Programming Document".
- The Management Board's tasks have been further enhanced by the Biocides Regulation² and the Biocides Fee Regulation³ introduced in 2012 and 2013.
- In June 2012, the European Institutions adopted a *Joint Statement and Common Approach* on EU decentralised agencies
- ECHA rules and policies were revised, e.g. the Guide for Reimbursement and the Policy on Managing Potential Conflicts of Interest

Attachments:

- Annex 1: Revision of the Operating Framework of the Management Board made in September 2017
- Annex 2: Revision of the Operating Framework of the Management Board made in September 2017 compared to the previous version from 2012 (in track changes)

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¹ MB/62/2012

² See Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of 22 May 2012

³ See Regulation (EU) No 564/2013 of 18 June 2013