

## Appointment of Committee members

60<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Management Board 16-17 December 2020

### Proposal

- The Management Board is invited to renew the mandates of 3 current members and to appoint 1 new candidate for the Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC).  
If the Management Board appoints these members, RAC will have 51 members (including 5 co-opted members) (see Annex 1a).
- The Management Board is invited to renew the mandate of 1 current member and appoint 2 new candidates for the Committee for Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC).  
If the Management Board appoints these members, SEAC will have 33 members (including 3 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. 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 as updated in February 2019.

A letter dated 2 October 2020 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 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 (See Annex 2-5).

In addition to the review of their CV and other nomination information by the Chairmen, the new 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. Should the nomination arrive too late to set up a suitable moment for interview, it could skip a meeting and pass on to the next MB.

Regarding the re-nomination procedure of an active Committee member, the Management Board has previously discussed to what extent the activity level of Committee members, i.e. contributions to Committee deliberations and rapporteurships, should be taken into account. The Chairmen can confirm that the contribution of the candidates for renewal in terms of a) rapporteurships, and/or b) Committee consultations and c) participation in plenary has been acceptable in the last three years.

To be fair to the members, the Chairmen review the whole period integrally and take account of the contribution of member's advisor(s) in assessing the member's work. Numbers of opinions alone do not reflect the workload and can vary in terms of input by an order of magnitude or more per dossier.

If agreed in advance with the Chairmen, substantial and frequent commenting on dossiers in RAC/SEAC consultation is a valuable and acceptable substitute to rapporteurship. Active plenary participation without either of the aforementioned conditions is generally not sufficient to convincingly support a 50% contribution.

While upholding the required 50% contribution, the Chairmen may use discretion in their assessment with regard to: the level of support provided to the member by their home Institute or MSCA, the role of other unavoidable duties placed upon the members by their employers, the impact of home institution reorganisations, or other contributing factors.

## Rationale

### 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 January – 30 June 2021. 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.

These RAC members are experts with proven expertise in different areas relevant for the work of RAC and have made valuable contributions including rapporteurships to the Committee during their previous periods of membership as indicated in the table below.

The declarations of interest of these members raise no issues regarding their eligibility for membership.

MS	RAC member	Expiry date of current 3-year term	Feedback from the RAC Chair
NO	HUSA Stine	18.03.21	Consistent contribution as rapporteur on multiple CLP dossiers each year
DK	TOBIASSEN Lea Stine	17.06.21	Consistent contribution as rapporteur on multiple CLP dossiers each year
EE	MOLDOV Raili	19.06.21	Consistent contribution as rapporteur on multiple Authorisation dossiers each year

### 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
AT	FACCHIN Manuel	The nominee is employed as an environmental toxicologist for the Austrian Environment Agency. Mr Facchin was interviewed by the Chair on 10 September 2020 to discuss his availability for RAC membership and assured of a commitment of 50% of his time. His training, work experience (although relatively brief) and expertise are well in line with the needs of RAC. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making him eligible for membership of the Committee.

### Candidate for renewal of SEAC membership

One Member State proposed the renewal of the membership of the following SEAC member whose 3-year term will expire by 30 June 2021. 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 his current term of office, as indicated below.

This SEAC member is an expert with proven expertise in different areas relevant for the work of SEAC and have made valuable contributions including rapporteurships to the Committee during his previous periods of membership as indicated in the table below.

The declaration of interest of this member raise no issues regarding his eligibility for membership.

MS	SEAC member	Expiry date of current 3-year term	Feedback from the SEAC Chair
EE	LUEDEKE Andreas	19.03.21	Consistent contribution as rapporteur on several application for authorisation dossiers each year.

### New candidates for SEAC membership

There are two new nominations for the Committee for Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC).

MS	Nominated SEAC member	Feedback from the SEAC Chair
FR	JOMINI Stephane	The nominee is employed as a Chemical Risk Assessment Project Leader for the ANSES. The SEAC Chair interviewed the candidate on 16 November 2020. His work experience and expertise are relevant and in line with the needs of SEAC. His declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making him eligible for membership of the Committee.
NL	GABBERT Silke	The nominee is employed as a Senior-Adviser Socio-economic Analysis for the RIVM. The SEAC Chair interviewed the candidate on 18 November 2020. Her work and academic experience and expertise are considerable and very much in line with the needs of SEAC. Her declaration of interest does not raise any issues of concern, making her eligible for membership of the Committee.

### 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 demonstrated 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 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 1a – b: Envisaged composition of the RAC and SEAC after MB-60
- Annex 2: Compilation of nomination forms\_renewals
- Annex 3: Nomination\_SEAC\_FR
- Annex 4: Nomination\_SEAC\_NL
- Annex 5: Nomination\_RAC\_AT

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**Annex 1a - Envisaged composition of the Committee for Risk Assessment after the 16-17 December Management Board Meeting (MB-60)**

	<b>Nominated by</b>	<b>Nominee's name</b>
1	Austria	KAPELARI Sonja ( <i>term ending 20.05.2021</i> )
2	Austria	FACCHIN Manuel
3	Belgium	RODRIGUEZ-GONZALEZ Wendy
4	Bulgaria	KARADJOVA Irina
5	Croatia	VARNAI Veda
6	Croatia	ZELJEZIC Davor
7	Cyprus	XANTHOS Theodoros
8	Czech Republic	MARTÍNEK Michal
9	Czech Republic	RUCKI Marian
10	Denmark	SØRENSEN Hammer Peter
11	Denmark	TOBIASSEN Lea Stine
12	Estonia	SCHLÜTER Urs
13	Estonia	MOLDOV Raili
14	Finland	LEINONEN Riitta
15	Finland	SANTONEN Tiina
16	France	PRINTEMPS Nathalie
17	France	GEOFFROY Laure
18	Germany	DOBREV Ivan
19	Germany	STAHLMANN Ralf
20	Greece	SPETSERIS Nikolaos
21	Greece	TSITSIMPIKOU Christina
22	Hungary	BIRÓ Anna
23	Ireland	MURRAY Brendan
24	Ireland	DOAK Malcolm
25	Italy	AQUILINA Gabriele
26	Italy	PARIS Pietro
27	Latvia	BROVKINA Julija
28	Latvia	KADIKIS Normunds
29	Lithuania	UŽOMECKAS Žilvinas
30	Luxembourg	MOELLER Ruth
31	Luxembourg	NEUMANN Michael
32	Netherlands	HAKKERT Betty
33	Netherlands	SCHUUR Gerlienke
34	Norway	BJØRGE Christine
35	Norway	HUSA Stine
36	Poland	BARAŃSKI Bogusław
37	Poland	PĘCZKOWSKA Beata
38	Portugal	CARVALHO João
39	Romania	PRIBU Mihaela
40	Romania	DOCEA Anca Oana
41	Slovenia	MENARD SRPČIČ Anja
42	Slovenia	SCHULTE Agnes
43	Spain	SOGORB Miguel A.
44	Spain	DE LA FLOR TEJERO Ignacio

45	Sweden	BORG Daniel ( <i>term ending 31.12.2020</i> ) replaced by MOHAMMED Ifthekhar Ali 1.1.2021
46	Sweden	LUND Bert-Ove
47	co-opted member	BRANISTEANU Radu
48	co-opted member	CHIURTU Elena-Ruxandra
49	co-opted member	HARTWIG Andrea
50	co-opted member	HEEDERIK Dick
51	co-opted member	VAN DER HAAR Rudolf

**Annex 1b - Envisaged composition of the Committee for Socio-economic Analysis after the 16-17 December Management Board Meeting (MB-60)**

	<b>Nominated by</b>	<b>Nominee's name</b>
1	Austria	FANKHAUSER Simone
2	Belgium	COGEN Simon
3	Bulgaria	NIKOVA Julieta
4	Croatia	KAJIC Silva
5	Cyprus	ANASTASIOU Christos
6	Denmark	MUNCRIEF Sandi
7	Denmark	SVOSTRUP PETERSEN Ida
8	Estonia	LUEDEKE Andreas
9	Finland	KIISKI Johanna
10	France	BRIGNON Jean-Marc
11	France	JOMINI Stephane
12	Germany	URBAN Klaus
13	Germany	THIELE Karen
14	Greece	ANTONIADOU Sofia
15	Hungary	SCHUCHTÁR Endre
16	Ireland	LEAHY Eimear
17	Italy	CASTELLI Stefano
18	Italy	CAVALIERI Luisa
19	Latvia	BERGS Ivars
20	Lithuania	ŽIEMIENĖ Jurgita
21	Netherlands	JANSSEN Martien
22	Netherlands	GABBERT Silke
23	Norway	MÅGE Marit
24	Poland	DOMINIAK Dorota
25	Portugal	ALEXANDRE Joao
26	Slovenia	DOLENC Darko
27	Slovenia	ISKRA Jernej
28	Spain	RODRIGUEZ HERNANDEZ Manuel
29	Sweden	TURVEY Alex
30	Sweden	JOYCE John
31	Co-opted member	JONES Derrick
32	Co-opted member	ROUW Aart
33	Co-opted member	SHAKHRAMANYAN Nikolinka