

MANAGEMENT BOARD

136th Management Board Meeting

19-20 March 2024

Summary of proceedings

The Chairperson of the Management Board (MB), **Mr Peter De Buysscher**, welcomed the participants to the 136th MB meeting, extending a special welcome to the new MB members for Cyprus, Poland and Slovenia, and the new alternate members from Italy, the Netherlands, Romania and the Slovak Republic.

The Chairperson invited the MB to pay homage to a Belgian police officer, who had died recently in the line of duty, by observing a minute of silence.

Main decisions

The MB adopted the proposed amendments to its Decision on restricted posts, enabling Europol to open specific profiles to a wider pool of candidates.

Further, the MB endorsed Europol's Strategic Roadmap on Biometrics, as well as a set of Guiding Principles for the preparation and consolidation of national law enforcement strategies on Information Management.

The MB adopted revised quantitative and qualitative criteria for Europol's reports on the information provided by Member States, in accordance with Article 7(11) of the Europol Regulation. Further, the Board endorsed Europol's proposal for the reorganisation of the European Financial and Economic Crime Centre, aimed to streamline and enhance its capabilities in supporting the competent national authorities.

In addition, the MB took decisions on personnel-related matters.

Main discussions

The MB commended Europol for the progress achieved in 2022 against the decarbonisation targets set out in its Environmental Vision 2030.

The Board took note of the outstanding developments concerning Europol's Secure Information Exchange Network Application (SIENA), preparing it to become the by-default channel for the exchange of law enforcement information in the European Union.

Further, the MB commended the Internal Audit Capability for the auditing and consultancy activities carried out in 2023 and praised Europol for the high performance levels reached in all the concerned areas.
