

**MINUTES
OF THE 61st MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD
18-19 OCTOBER 2016 IN WARSAW, POLAND**

List of attendance

Mr Marko GAŠPERLIN - Chairman of the Management Board
Mr Günter SCHNITTLER (Austria - AT)
Mr Wald THIELEMANS (Belgium - BE)
Mr Svetlan KICHIKOV (Bulgaria - BG)
Mr Gilio TOIĆ SINTIĆ (Croatia - HR)
Mr Petros ZENIOU (Cyprus - CY)
Mr Jiří PERNÍČEK (Czech Republic - CZ)
Mr Per FIIG (Denmark - DK)
Ms Helen NEIDER-VEERME (Estonia - EE)
Mr Ilkka LAITINEN (Finland - FI)
Mr Benoit BROCARD (France - FR)
Mr Lars GERDES (Germany - DE)
Mr Dimitrios MALLIOS (Greece - EL)
Mr Zsolt HALMOSI (Hungary - HU)
Mr Ólafur Helgi KJARTANSSON (Iceland - IS)
Mr Giovanni PINTO (Italy - IT)
Mr Andrejs ROGOZINS (Latvia - LV)
Mr Vygintas KAZIUKONIS (Lithuania - LT)
Mr Neville XUEREB (Malta - MT)
Mr Harrie VAN DEN BRINK (The Netherlands - NL)
Mr Jan Eirik THOMASSEN (Norway - NO)
Mr Marek ŁAPIŃSKI (Poland - PL)
Ms Luísa MAIA GONÇALVES (Portugal - PT)
Mr Liviu GALOS (Romania - RO)
Ms Martina MATUŠKOVIČOVÁ (Slovak Republic - SK)
Mr Juan Carlos ORTIZ ARGÜELLES (Spain - ES)
Mr Patrik ENGSTRÖM (Sweden - SE)
Ms Julia TERVEER (Switzerland - CH)

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██████████ (Deputy Director, Governance, Europol)

██████████ (Liaison Officer to Frontex, EASO)

Frontex Executive Director (ED), Mr Fabrice LEGGERI participated in the meeting.

The Secretariat of the Management Board was provided by Frontex.

List of items debated and/or approved (agenda)

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Recent developments
3. Roadmap for the implementation of the new Frontex Regulation
 - 3.1. Presentation of the updated priorities and timeline
 - 3.2. Information on the management of complaints
4. Decision of the Management Board adopting the vulnerability assessment methodology
5. Decision of the Management Board adopting the profiles and the minimum number of border guards or other relevant staff that correspond to those profiles to be made available for a rapid reaction pool of the European Border and Coast Guard Teams (EBCGTs)
6. Decision of the Management Board amending MB Decision 08/2016 adopting rules relating to technical equipment, including the Overall Minimum Number of Technical Equipment (OMNTE) to be deployed during operational activities coordinated by Frontex in 2017
7. Cooperation with Third Countries
 - 7.1. Model status agreement
 - 7.2. Working Arrangements update
 - 7.3. Future deployment of Frontex Liaison Officer to the Western Balkans - questionnaire
 - 7.4. Decision of the Management Board on the deployment of a Frontex Liaison Officer to West Africa
 - 7.5. Decision of the Management Board on the priority regions for the deployment of Liaison Officers in 2017

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8. Organisation of the work of the Management Board in the future - discussion on the basis of comments received
9. Review of the results of the discussions of the first day
10. Information on the allocation of the 'front loaded' posts and the recruitment of TAs, CAs and SNEs
- 10.1. Decision of the Management Board adopting amendment N1 of the Budget 2016 including the establishment plan
11. Decision of the Management Board on the Working Group on Budget and Accounts
12. Headquarters agreement -
13. Any other business

Main results of the meeting

The 61st extraordinary Management Board meeting was held on 18 - 19 October 2016 in Warsaw.

The Management Board was updated on the latest developments and briefed about the European Border and Coast Guard launching event in Bulgaria at the Border Crossing Point Kapitan Andreevo on 6 October 2016 as well as about the Coast Guard exercise in Split, Croatia, on 10 October.

The Roadmap for the implementation of the new Frontex Regulation with the updated priorities and timelines was presented to the Management Board. The document will be updated on an ongoing basis, reflecting the progress and outlining possible changes to the initial plan.

Information on the Complaints mechanism as set up by the Executive Director's Decision (No 2016-106), foreseen in Art. 72 of European Border and Coast Guard Regulation, was provided.

The Management Board discussed different elements of the vulnerability assessment methodology including the pilot project to be launched next year with the selected MSs, took decision adopting the vulnerability assessment methodology and agreed on further steps.

The Management Board adopted the decision on the profiles and the minimum number of border guards or other relevant staff that correspond to those profiles to be made available for a rapid reaction pool of the European Border and Coast Guard Teams, as well as approved the amendment of the Decision 08/2016 adopting rules relating to technical equipment, including the Overall Minimum Number of Technical Equipment to be deployed during operational activities coordinated by Frontex in 2017.

The Director of the Capacity Building Division provided an update on the state of play concerning Working Arrangements with some Western Balkan countries, as well as concerning ongoing negotiations for the conclusion of new Working Arrangements. The Management Board was asked to reply in writing concerning priorities for the future deployment of a Frontex Liaison Officer to the Western Balkans.

The Management Board approved the decision on the deployment of a Frontex Liaison Officer to West Africa, to be posted in Niamey, Niger, as well as on the priority regions for the deployment of Liaison Officers in 2017 in addition to the existing regions.

Discussion was held on the organization of work of the Management Board in the future. The structure of the agenda will be modified and tested already at the next Management Board meeting. A first information on the new concept will be also presented at the November Management Board meeting.

Information on the allocation of the 'front loaded' posts was provided by the Agency - the recruitment for Contract Agents and Seconded National Experts can be initiated. A decision was taken by the Management Board adopting amendment N1 of the Budget 2016 (entry into force of the amendment N1 only after adoption of the relevant amendment to the general budget 2016 by the Budgetary Authority).

The decision of the Management Board on the new concept for the Working Group on Budget and Accounts was adopted. Management Board Members were invited to nominate candidates for the membership of the Working Group by 28 October 2016.

The Management Board was updated on the state of play regarding the Headquarters agreement. Negotiations have progressed and will be intensified taking into consideration that 7 April 2017 is the deadline for the conclusion of the Headquarter agreement with the Polish authorities.