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Summary 66th EIT Governing Board meeting

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Overview of participants

EIT Governing Board (EIT GB) members present: Gioia GHEZZI [**GG**]; Romana JORDAN [**RJ**]; Laima KAUSPADIENE [**LK**]; Agnès PAILLARD [**AP**]; Paul Rübig [**PL**]; Martina Larkin [**ML**]; Attila Vegh [**AV**]; Nektarios Tavernarakis [**NT**];

EIT GB members excused: None

Proxy given: None

European Commission Observer present: Viviane HOFFMANN (Deputy Director-General, DG EAC) [VH].

Representatives of the European Commission present: Luca PEREGO (Head of Unit, DG EAC C1) [LP], Gauthier GROUSSET (Policy Officer, DG EAC C1) [**GGr**]; Isidro LASO BALLESTEROS (Cabinet Expert, Cabinet of Commissioner Mariya Gabriel) [**ILB**].

EIT staff present: Martin KERN (Director) [**MK**]; Alice Fiser (Head of Communications and Stakeholder Relations) [**AF**]; David TAS (Acting Head of Innovation Communities) [**DT**]; Michal Gorzynski (Head of Impact Section) [**MH**]; Adam ROTTENBACHER (Head of Director's Office) [**AR**]; Iuliana Vizitiu (Internal Control Coordinator) [**IV**]; Tamas Safrany (Head of Internal Audit Capability) [**TS**]; Tzvetan Zafirov (Head of Services and Finance) [**TZ**]; Jerome Simpson (Programme Officer EIT Climate-KIC) [**JS**]; Marco Brueckner (Head of Section Innovation Communities) [**MB**].

1. Welcome by the Chair and EIT Director	
Conclusions	Agenda was adopted.
Action points	N/A
	2.1 Strategic challenges ahead of the EIT
Conclusions	N/A
Action points	N/A
	2.2 Preparations for the Call for EIT Culture and Creativity
Conclusions	• EIT will look into possible solutions to adjust the timeline to ensure that the hearings can take place still in June 2022.
Action points	• EIT to check if the timeline can be revised in line with the comments received.
	2.3 Transition to Horizon Europe
Conclusions	 The Principles for the Financial Sustainability of KICs has been adopted with slight amendments as proposed by RJ. The EIT Label Framework has been adopted as proposed. The GB will continue the conversations on how to implement the principles for financial sustainability of KICs in June in their next meeting.
Action points	 EIT to revise the EIT RIS Implementation Framework document based on the comments received. EIT to launch a written procedure in April for adoption of the following strategic documents: Principles of financing, monitoring and evaluation of KICS, EIT Impact Framework, Principles for the determination of the EIT financial allocation to KICs for 2022-2024, Principles and criteria for the allocation of EIT funding to the Cross-KIC activities and shared services for 2022-2024, EIT RIS Implementation Framework and Anti-Fraud Strategy 2021-2023.
	2.4 Meeting with the leadership of EIT Climate-KIC
Conclusions	• EIT together with the KIC will continue the work on a technical level to consolidate the Business Plan.

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	• EIT to check if a letter of intent/assurance can be sent to the Climate-KIC to reassure the auditors.
Action points	N/A
	3.1 Update from the Audit Committee
Conclusions	N/A
Action points	N/A
	3.2 Outlook for the next EIT GB meeting with the Chairs of the KICs
Conclusions	N/A
Action points	EIT to update the Board on this point by email.
	3.3 Key events 2021 and enhanced communication and EIT visibility
Conclusions	N/A
Action points	• EIT to update the Board on this point by email.
	3.4 AOB
Conclusions	N/A
Action points	N/A
	4.1 Updated Rules of Procedure
Conclusions	N/A
Action points	• The updated Rules of Procedure will be adopted by written procedure in April.
	4.2 Anti-fraud Strategy 2021-2023
Conclusions	N/A
Action points	• A written report will be sent to the EIT Governing Board and the updated Anti-Fraud Strategy will be adopted by written procedure in April.
	4.3 Selection of new GB members
Conclusions	• The shortlist of candidates has been adopted as proposed and will be sent to the European Commission.
Action points	• EIT to send a letter to the Commissioner on behalf of the Chair communicating the shortlist of candidates.

The minutes of the 66th EIT Governing Board meeting are hereby adopted.

Done in Budapest, 7 May 2021¹

[E-signed] Gioia Ghezzi

Chair of the EIT Governing Board

¹ Adopted by the EIT Governing Board via written procedure on 7 May 2021