Summary

66th EIT Governing Board meeting

The EIT – Making Innovation Happen

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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).

**Draft Minutes:** Adam ROTTENBACHER (Head of Director’s Office)

### 1. Welcome by the Chair and EIT Director

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<td>Agenda was adopted.</td>
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### 2.1 Strategic challenges ahead of the EIT

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<td>EIT will look into possible solutions to adjust the timeline to ensure that the hearings can take place still in June 2022.</td>
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### 2.2 Preparations for the Call for EIT Culture and Creativity

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<td>EIT to check if the timeline can be revised in line with the comments received.</td>
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### 2.3 Transition to Horizon Europe

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<td>The Principles for the Financial Sustainability of KICs has been adopted with slight amendments as proposed by RJ.</td>
<td>EIT to revise the EIT RIS Implementation Framework document based on the comments received.</td>
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<td>The EIT Label Framework has been adopted as proposed.</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>The GB will continue the conversations on how to implement the principles for financial sustainability of KICs in June in their next meeting.</td>
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### 2.4 Meeting with the leadership of EIT Climate-KIC

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<td>EIT together with the KIC will continue the work on a technical level to consolidate the Business Plan.</td>
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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**

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### 3.1 Update from the Audit Committee

**Conclusions**

**N/A**

**Action points**

**N/A**

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### 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.

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### 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.

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### 3.4 AOB

**Conclusions**

**N/A**

**Action points**

**N/A**

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### 4.1 Updated Rules of Procedure

**Conclusions**

**N/A**

**Action points**

• The updated Rules of Procedure will be adopted by written procedure in April.

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### 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.

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### 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.

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

Done in Budapest, 7 May 2021

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[E-signed]

Gioia Ghezzi

Chair of the EIT Governing Board

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