

MANAGEMENT BOARD DECISION 33/2016 of 19 October 2016

adopting the new concept of the Working Group on Budget and Accounts

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Having regard to Article 62(2) of the European Border and Coast Guard Regulation¹,

Whereas:

- (1) The Management Board established a permanent Working Group on Budget and Accounts by decision No 26/2014 of 27 November 2014.
- (2) In June 2016 a survey assessing the functioning of the Working Group was addressed to the Management Board members and the results of the survey indicated a need for the development of a new concept of the Working Group.
- (3) The Management Board on its 60th meeting in September 2016, discussed the adoption of the new concept of the Working Group on Budget and Accounts.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Subject

The new concept of the Working Group on Budget and Accounts with regard to its objectives, membership and working methods is herewith adopted.

Article 2

Objectives

The main objectives of the Working Group are as follows:

1. Accompany change management linked to budget related documents in order to facilitate the discussion in the Management Board, e.g. Activity Based Budgeting, Single Programming Document.
2. Provide timely input into budget and account related documents, e.g. strategic discussions, mid-year assessment of the implementation of the Programme of Work, in order to facilitate an informed decision making by the Management Board

¹ Regulation (EU) 2016/1624 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 September 2016 on the European Border and Coast Guard and amending Regulation (EU) 2016/399 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Regulation (EC) No 863/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Council Regulation (EC) No 2007/2004 and Council Decision 2005/267/EC (OJ L 251, 16.09.2016, p. 1).

3. Prepare mandatory documents such as the opinion on the Annual Activity Report or on the annual accounts.

Article 3

Membership, term and composition

1. The Working Group consists of four to six members of the Management Board: four to five members of the Member States/Schengen Associated Countries and one member from the European Commission.
 - a) Any representative or alternate of a Member State or Schengen Associated Country of the Management Board may be member of the Working Group. They may also be accompanied by one technical staff/expert on the budgetary/accounting matters.
 - b) The European Commission representative must be duly authorised to represent the view of the European Commission.
2. The membership is stable, for a three year period, aiming at respecting geographical and gender balance.

Article 4

Working methods

1. The Working Group prepares annually a program of its activities.
2. The Working Group meets four to five times per year. The meetings must be aligned with the Management Board meeting dates, therefore they are to be organized early enough to allow for the preparation of the deliverables and their timely submission to the Management Board together with other documents.
3. The possibility of videoconferences is to be used for those members who cannot be physically present during the meetings of the Working Group. The remaining exchange of information and drafting documents is done via electronic communication.
4. The Working Group drafts its own Rules of Procedure.
5. The Agency provides secretarial support to the Working Group.

Article 5

Entry into force

This decision enters into force on the day following its adoption.

Done in Warsaw, 19 October 2016

For the Management Board

[signed]

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Chairperson