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Overview of participants

EIT Governing Board (EIT GB) members present: Stefan DOBREV [**SD**]; Anna LINDEN [**AL**]; Anne BORG [**AB**]; Michel MARITON [**MM**]; Dariusz JEMIELNIAK[**DJ**]; Kyriacos KOKKINOS [**KK**]; Heinrich ARNOLD [**HA**]; Jan ORAVEC [**JO**]; Silvia LENAERTS [**SL**];

EIT Governing Board (EIT GB) members present online: Marcella PANUCCI [**MP**]; Inga SKISAKER [**IS**]; Vicky D. KEFALAS [**VDK**]; Flavia POPESCU – RICHARDSON [**FPR**]; Mark Boris Andrijanic [**MA**];

EIT Governing Board (EIT GB) members absent: Pia SANDVIK [**PS**];

Representatives of the European Commission in person: Normunds POPENS (Deputy Director-General, DG EAC) [**NP**], Luca PEREGO (Head of Unit, Innovation and EIT, DG EAC) [**LP**]; Kate MORIARTY (DG EAC) [**KM**].

Representatives of the European Commission online: Sylvia BOTTARIN (DG EAC) [**SB**];

EIT in person: Martin KERN (Director) [**MK**]; Ilaria TAGLIAVINI (Head of Operations) [**IT**]; Adam ROTTENBACHER (Head of Operations) [**AR**]; David TAS (Head of Unit) [**DT**]; Judit BELKO (Governance Officer) [**JB**];

Draft Minutes: *Judit Belko (Director's Office).*

1. WELCOME BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND OPENING OF THE MEETING	
1.1. Welcome by the Chairperson and EIT Director	
Conclusions	• N/A
Action points	• N/A
1.2. Adoption of the agenda	
Conclusions	• The agenda was adopted with no changes.
Action points	• N/A
1.3. Conflict of Interest assessment; quorum and proxy	
Conclusions	• Quorum was confirmed with 14 GB members participating in the meeting (9 in person+ 5 online).
Action points	• N/A
1.4. Follow up from Action points of the previous EIT GB meeting	
Conclusions	• N/A
Action points	• N/A
2. STRATEGY UPDATES	
2.1. Updates from the European Commission on EU policy priorities and EIT GB strategic positioning of EIT in the context of the next Multiannual Financial Framework/ FP 10 preparations	
Conclusions	• N/A
Action points	• Input from the workshop to be shared with the EC.

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3. OPERATIONS – FUNDING ALLOCATION 2027		
3.1. Funding allocation criteria EIT Water 2027-2028		
Conclusions	•	The GB has adopted the Decision on the principles for the determination of the EIT financial allocation to the KIC Business Plan 2027-2028 of EIT Water.
Action points	•	The mentioned key points and concerns to be minuted for later use and follow up as part of the GB Rapporteur process.
3.2. Funding allocation of unallocated EIT budget 2027		
Conclusions	•	N/A
Action points	•	Reach out to Chairs and CEOs about proposals regarding the extra funding allocation.
4. AOB		
4.1. Outlook for the next GB meetings in 2026		
Conclusions	•	N/A
Action points	•	N/A
4.2. Upcoming written procedures		
Conclusions	•	N/A
Action points	•	N/A
5. CLOSED SESSION		
6. STRATEGIC WORKSHOP		
Conclusions	•	N/A
Action points	•	N/A
Closure of the meeting		

OVERVIEW OF DECISIONS	
06/2026	PRINCIPLES FOR THE DETERMINATION OF THE EIT FINANCIAL ALLOCATION FOR 2027-2028 TO THE BUSINESS PLAN 2027-2028 OF THE KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION COMMUNITY EIT WATER