

Item 4 a: Revision of the MB Decision on the Operation of the Advisory Forum

8-9 June 2016







OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE AF - RECAP

- The Decision on the Operation of the Advisory Forum was agreed by the Management Board in March 2008
- In 2015, a review of how the of the Advisory Forum was working was undertaken one outcome/ recommendation was to revise the Decision
- Objectives of the revision:
 - Update the Decision to detail full scope of operation of the forum (not just meeting mechanics);
 - Provide detail on the roles of the members;





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MAIN CHANGES

- Structured in 3 parts
- Inclusion of addition of detail on Article 30 (scientific divergence) and Article 36 (scientific cooperation and networking);

- Less repetition of founding regulation provisions
- reference to translation removed reduced reference to other procedures (reimbursements, transparency and

confidentiality)





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STRUCTURE

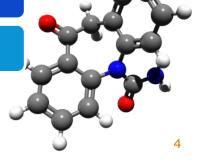
PRELIMINARY – Legal basis and references

CHAPTER I – Art. 27 – Organisation of Meetings

CHAPTER II – Art. 30 – Scientific Divergence

CHAPTER III - Art. 36 - European Networking

CHAPTER IV – General provisions







ISSUES HIGHLIGHTED BY VOLUNTEER MEMBERS



Level of detail – internal procedures to set more specific details on timeframes for distribution of docs. etc – eg KPIs

Article 1(4) Members representing views of MS – too broad (suggestion - in area of risk asssessment)

Article 8 – reaching consensus allowing sufficient time to consider issues

Article 17 – sharing of information under embargo and role of CWG in communicating divergence

Article 20 – Prioritisation of work: involvement of Art 36 and other organisations identifying work areas





OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE AF – NEXT STEPS

- Draft to be tabled at Management Board meeting (14-15 June).
- Further drafting following feedback from AF and MB July (finalisation by September)
- Final Draft Decision to be tabled for adoption by the **Management Board in October 2016**
- Entry into force on agreement by the Management **Board**