

The Board of Governors of the Joint Research Centre (JRC)

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The role of the Board of Governors

The Board of Governors shall assist the Director-General and deliver opinions for submission to the Commission on questions relating to:

- the role of the JRC within the Community research and technological development strategy,
- the scientific/technical and financial management of the JRC and the performance of the tasks entrusted to it.

Commission Decision of 10 April 1996 on the reorganisation of the Joint Research Centre (96/282/Euratom)

The role of the Board of Governors

- **The core business of the Board is to advise the JRC on how best it can deliver its mission**
- **More generally, the Board's advice on issues that permeate the business of JRC and should be strategic, focusing on the medium to long term.**
- **The Board shall have an interaction with the JRC Institutes, without involving itself in Institute management matters.**
- **The Board shall normally seek to transact its business by general consensus**

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The Board comprises:

Members

- high level representatives of EU Member States appointed by the Commission on the nomination of their national authorities.

27 members from EU countries

15 members from other European, North Africa, Turkey and Israel

**Participants have the right to contribute to the deliberations of the Board and to be heard. They have no voting rights.*

Participants

- nominated in a similar manner by the authorities of the countries associated to Horizon Europe.

Membership & Chairmanship



Members and Participants are appointed/nominated for a 3-year renewable term.



Officials from national ministries, close to the Minister and directly involved in the policy decision-making process, or recognized science managers based in research bodies, academia, etc.



A Chairperson is elected for a 3-year term which can be renewed once. The term for the Senior Vice Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, which is limited to one, coincides with that of the Chairperson.



JRC Board of Governors



Members of the JRC Board of Governors at their 133rd meeting. June 2024. Brussels, Belgium.

Board meetings

- Two **in-person plenary meetings** per year (March & June) in one of the JRC Sites.
- One **remote plenary meeting** per year (November).



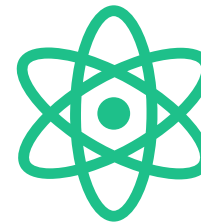
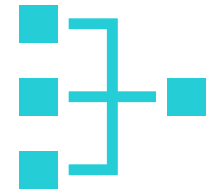
Ad-hoc groups

- Dedicated ad-hoc working groups (AhG) are created for more **in-depth scrutiny on specific issues**.
- Ad-hoc groups submit **reports or opinions** to a Board meeting for discussion and endorsement of any recommendations.



JRC Work Programme

Organisational transformation



Development of a nuclear strategy

- **Example: Ad hoc Group on the JRC organisational transformation**
- The AhG group was created on the 123rd meeting of the JRC Board of Governors in March 2021 with an aim to follow and provide feedback and advice to the JRC in the context of the initiative to "reset, re-imagine, re-energise the JRC for future challenges".
- The AhG met five times remotely between May 2021 and June 2022 including a joint session with the Chair and several members of the Panel on Ex-post Evaluation of JRC's activities under Horizon 2020, Euratom 2014-2020 and other relevant programmes.
- The AhG delivered a report to the 127th meeting of the Board and ended its mandate in June 2022.

Thank you!
Happy to assist you
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