European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change

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31st Advisory Board meeting
Minutes

Tuesday 9 December, 13:00-17:00 (CET), 2025
Online meeting

Participants
See Annex 1.

Agenda
See Annex 2.

Documents
All meeting documents are directly available on the Advisory Board's Teams site.

1. Opening of meeting
The minutes from the 30th Advisory Board meeting (20-21 October 2025) were adopted without further comments.

The agenda of the meeting was adopted without comments.

2. General update by the Chair
The Chair presented the main outcomes of the 30th Advisory Board meeting and provided an update on key policy developments, including the 2040 climate target political discussions and COP30 outcomes (see Brussels Bulletin). The Chair also gave an overview of recent outreach and meeting activities, and outlined the expectations for the meeting.

3. General update by the Secretariat
The Head of the Secretariat presented the composition of the newly-appointed Advisory Board for the second term (2026-2030), which was announced by the Management Board of the European Environment Agency on 5 December 2025. He also gave an overview on key recent policy developments, and mentioned the Secretariat's meetings with stakeholders that took place for the period October-December 2025.

4. Adoption of extended 2025 Work Programme
The extended 2025 Work Programme was adopted and will be published on the website of the Advisory Board at the beginning of 2026.

5. Agriculture project

The Board discussed the draft summary of the agri-food report, including several key remaining issues, and provided further guidance to the Secretariat. It was agreed that:

- The remaining time would be used to improve and strengthen the current content of the report, and that no further content would be added.
- The Secretariat would send an updated version of the summary and draft report by 19 December 2025, so that the Board can have a final discussion and approve the report at its meeting on 7-8 January 2026.

6. Any other business

The IPCC meeting of the three working groups in France was discussed.

Annex 1: Participants

Advisory Board members	Signature
Jette Bredahl Jacobsen	Absent
Constantinos Cartalis	Signed
Suraje Dessai	Signed
Laura Diaz Anadon	Signed
Ottmar Edenhofer	Signed
Vera Eory	Signed
Edgar Hertwich	Signed
Lars J. Nilsson	Signed
Lena Kitzing	Signed
Elena Lopez Gunn	Signed
Keywan Riahi	Signed
Joeri Rogelj	Signed
Nicolaas Schrijver	Signed
Jean-François Soussana	Signed
Maarten van Aalst	Signed

Secretariat to the Advisory Board	
François Dejean	Signed
Rasmus Sangild	Signed
Pieter Lemmens	Signed
Ciaran Maguire	Signed
James Clarke	Signed
Frederik Silbye	Signed
Elsa Malika Malki	Signed
Kamila Paquel	Signed
Sebastian Franz	Signed
Martina Popova	Signed
Mathilde de Goër de Herve	Signed
Kristina Madsen	Signed

Observer	
Christopher Leisinger	Signed

Annex 2: Meeting agenda

Time	Item		Notes
13:00-13:05	1.	Opening of meeting	
	1.1	Adoption of minutes from the 20-21 October 2025 meeting	*For adoption*
	1.2	Adoption of agenda	*For adoption*
13:05-13:15	2.	General update by the Chair	*For information*
13:15-13:30	3.	General update by the Secretariat	*For information*
13:30-13:40	4.	Adoption of extended 2025 Work Programme	*For adoption*
13:40-15:00	5.	Agriculture	*For discussion*
15:00-15:15	*Break*		
15:15-16:50	6.	Agriculture (continued)	*For discussion*
16:50-17:00	7.	Any other business	*For information*