

Minutes
Meeting of the Scientific Forum on IAS (E03276)
Thursday 9 February 2017, Brussels

1. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was adopted without any changes.

2. Nature of the meeting

This was the 5th meeting of the Scientific Forum, composed of scientific experts nominated by the Member States. The meeting was not public.

3. List of points discussed

Presentation by the Commission and discussion on the preparatory work towards the delegated act foreseen under Art.5(3) of R.1143/2014

COM explained the changes in the new version of the draft delegated act. The documents have been discussed in the previous meeting and the new version is based on the feedback received during the meeting and by email after that. The explanatory memorandum has been added. The documents discussed are available at the following CIRCABC folder:

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/d0cdd72e-f4d6-47ef-bf4a-fb9dce6e3f31>

COM explained that the risk assessment as defined under Article 5(1) of Regulation 1143/2014 is not supposed to include risk management information. The delegated act is restricted to the empowerment in the Regulation. Subsequently, the draft delegated act, including the explanatory memorandum and the annex was discussed page by page. Besides suggestions for improving specific points in the text, there was overall agreement on the new version of the documents.

Conclusion:

- COM will update the draft act and the annex according to the suggestions made and it will share the new versions with the Scientific Forum. A deadline will be given by when the Scientific Forum members may react if their suggestions were insufficiently taken on board.
- After this deadline, COM will proceed towards adoption.

Organisation of the work of the Scientific Forum on review of new submissions of Risk Assessments

COM recalled the agreed working method of the Scientific Forum for reviewing risk assessments and provided the deadlines towards the second update of the Union list. (<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/ee79f611-e2bf-4950-b1b2-9829a2ac3ad0>)

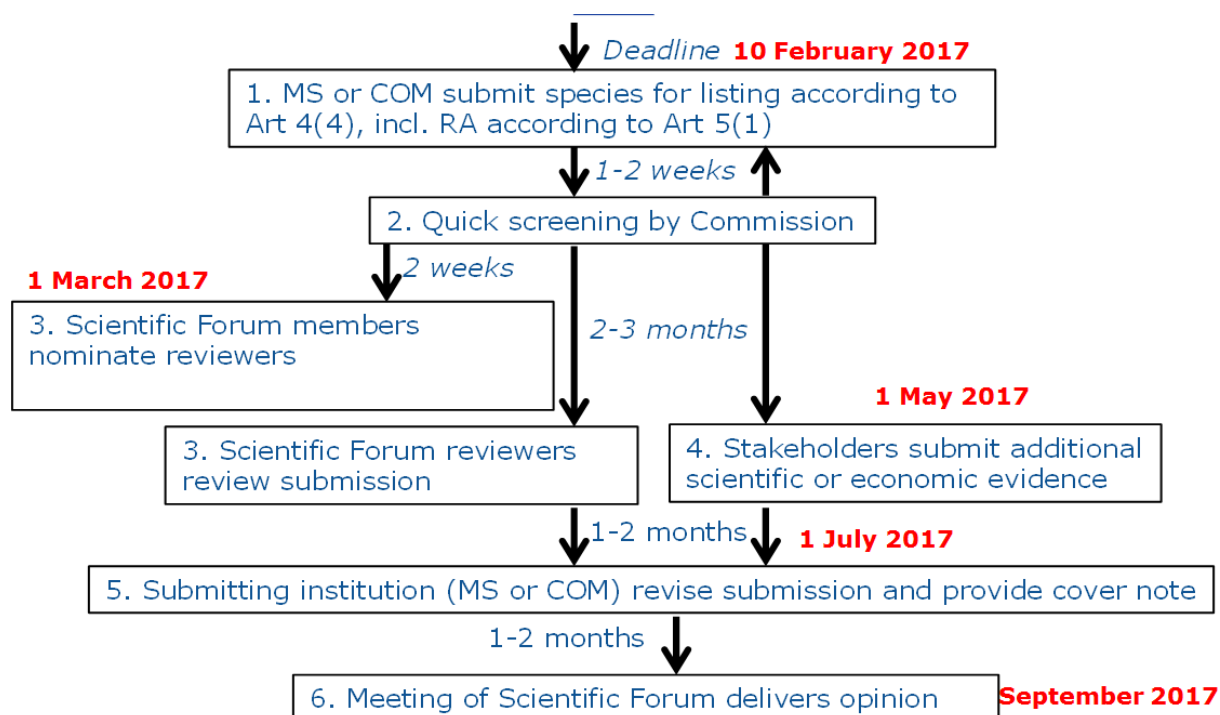
COM emphasised that the review is about the quality of the risk assessment, whether it is robust and fit for purpose. The agreed templates shall be used.

The risk assessments to be reviewed towards the second update of the Union list will be made publicly available at the following CIRCABC space:

<https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/cf25a725-550a-4176-87ef-5e25e77a3d74>

Conclusion:

- The review of risk assessments towards the second update of the Union list will proceed according to the following deadlines:



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- The need to develop a working method on submission and review of risk management information was identified. Members were invited to submit any proposals to COM with a view to discuss this in one of the upcoming meetings,
- COM reported on a workshop on citizen science on 8 February.

4. Conclusions/recommendations/opinions

See conclusions above

Next steps

See conclusions above

5. Next meeting

The next meeting is foreseen to take place in September or October 2017, depending on the progress with the revision of the risk assessments.

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