

**DECISION No MB/2020/ 12
of the Management Board
of the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA)**

on analyses and assessment of the Annual Activity Report 2019

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF ENISA,

Having regard to the Regulation (EU) 2019/881 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on ENISA (the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity) and on information and communications technology cybersecurity certification and repealing Regulation (EU) No 526/2013 (Cybersecurity Act¹), in particular Article 15(1)f;

Having regard to the Decision No MB/2019/8 on the Financial Rules applicable to ENISA in conformity with the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 of the European Parliament and of the Council, in particular Article 48(1)b;

Whereas

- Management Board should carry out analyses and assessment of the Agency's Annual Report and forward it to the Budgetary Authority and the Court of Auditors by 1 July.
- The Executive Board of the ENISA prepared the draft analyses and assessment of the Agency's Annual Report of 2019 at its meeting held on 29 May 2020 and advised the Management Board to adopt them.

HAS DECIDED:

Article 1

The analyses and the assessment of the Annual Activity Report 2019 is adopted as set out in annex of this decision.

Article 2

The present decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption. It shall be published on the Agency's website.

Done by written procedure on 25 June 2020.

On behalf of the Management Board,

[Signed]

Jean - Baptiste Demaison
Chair of the Management Board of ENISA

¹ OJ L 151, 7.6.2019, p. 15–69

Annex

**THE ANALYSES AND ASSESSMENT
BY THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF ENISA
OF THE CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2019
OF THE AUTHORISING OFFICER OF ENISA**

The Management Board takes note of the Annual Activity Report (AAR) for the financial year 2019, submitted by the Executive Director of the European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA) in accordance with Article 48 of the Financial Regulation applicable to ENISA.

The Executive Board received a copy of the 2019 AAR produced by the Executive Director of ENISA in his quality of Authorising Officer for the implementation of the annual budget on 26 May 2020 and the Management Board received a copy of the 2019 AAR on 11 June 2020.

In analysing and assessing the AAR 2019, the Management Board has concluded the following:

- The AAR presents key results of the implementation of the ENISA Work programme 2019 and leads to conclusion that the Agency completed all deliverables agreed with the Management Board in the Work Programme 2019.
- Despite challenging circumstances associated with the transition to the responsibilities of the new mandate following the entry into force of the Cybersecurity Act, the Agency was able to meet the objectives set in the work programme 2019 as shown by the results presented in this report.
- ENISA produced 55 reports on a variety of subjects pertaining to the current cybersecurity environment. These reports provided guidance in 'traditional areas' of cybersecurity, such as critical systems and incident handling, but also in evolving areas such as SMART technologies and the Internet of Things (IoT). Impact indicators show that the Agency's results exceeded the targets established in the Work Programme 2019, against the framework of the ENISA Strategy 2016-2020.
- In addition to delivering on its core work programme, ENISA also supported the European Commission and the Member States in responding to priorities that arose during the course of the year – notably the need to secure the elections for the European Parliament and the support for the Commission's 5G Action Plan.
- Overall, the AAR is in line with the ENISA Work Programme 2019 and ENISA's work is well aligned with the overall European Union priorities for digital single market. A coherent link is provided between activities planned in the Work Programme 2019 and the actual achievements reached in the reporting period.

- The AAR also describes ENISA's management of resources and the budget execution of the EU subsidy. The changes in the legal mandate also impacted the allocation of the budgetary resources. An increase from EUR 11,0 million to EUR 16,3 million could only be inscribed and made available to the Agency following the amendment approved by the Management Board on 31/05/2019. ENISA was able to implement a budgetary increase. In 2019, ENISA executed 15 771 525 euros in commitment appropriations representing 97% of the total budget of the year.
- The AAR also provides a follow up of the 2017 Discharge and control results. This section also notes the main categories of deviation that led to exceptions reported. In 2019 the agency recorded 38 exceptions. 33 of these are under the relevant materiality level (less than EUR 15.000) and are of minor administrative nature with no financial impact. The remaining 5 exceptions were linked to a posteriori commitments.
- The AAR leads to conclusions that the adequate management of risks, high level of transparency, data protection, business continuity, as well as efforts were undertaken to improve overall efficiency in all activities.
- The annexes complete the AAR with a declaration of assurance of the Executive Director as well as additional information on human and financial resources, draft annual accounts and financial reports, as well as performance information included in evaluations.

Overall, the Management Board takes note of the achievements of ENISA in 2019. The Management Board notes with satisfaction that ENISA could deliver work programme 2019 despite the Cybersecurity Act entering into force on 27 June 2019. The Management Board expresses its appreciation to the Executive Director and his staff for their commitment and achievements throughout the year.

The Management Board notes that the Executive Director has no critical issues to report which would affect the presentation of the annual accounts for the financial year 2019 to the discharge authority.

In light of the above assessment, the Management Board requests the Management Board Secretariat to forward the AAR, together with this assessment, to the European Commission, the European Parliament, the Council, the Permanent Representations of the Member States and the Court of Auditors.

