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European Network of Prosecutors for the Environment – ENPE

Meeting of the Board of Directors

11 June 2026

10.00hrs – 11.00 hrs CET MS Teams

Present: Rob de Rijck (Chair, Netherlands); Kateřina Weisssová (Czech Republic) online; Lars Magnusson (Sweden) online; Jean-Philippe Rivaud (France) online from 10.15hrs; David Smith (Ireland) online; Shaun Robinson (Secretariat, England, UK); Diana Helila (Estonia).

Apologies: Anne Brosnan (England, UK);

Meeting minutes

RdR opened the meeting noting the passing away of Board member Antonio Vercher Noguera and that ENPE owed him very much for all his contributions.

1.0 Minutes and actions from last Board meeting (26/03/26)

RdR summarised the minutes from the last ENPE Board meeting on the 26/03/2026. All actions were complete. In addition:

SR confirmed that AVN had contacted both Andorra and Luxembourg prosecuting organisations to enquire about ENPE membership. Neither had replied as yet. It was agreed not to take follow up actions.

DH confirmed that ENPRO – the Network of Prosecutors on Environmental crime in the Baltic region, had declined ENPE's offer to attend their event in Tallinn, Estonia in June.

2.0 ENPE AISBL & ENPE Governance

RdR explained that for Antonio's replacement as the Spanish ENPE Permanent Representative, formal contact with the ENPE members prosecuting organisation was needed (as per Lucia Giron's email to SR).

NEW ACTION – RdR to email the contact point (SR to provide contact details).

RdR updated on ENPE Board Director changes & registered address submitted to Brussels Tribunal. There had been no reply so far and it was known that there was a backlog of work so it may take them some months. RdR was checking on a weekly basis.

3.0 ENPE finances – update

SR confirmed that the savings from ENPE's KBC business account had been actioned (€30k over 11 months) as agreed at the last board.



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The ENPE Mid-term summary for DG ENV meeting 09.06.26 (**paper**) was shared. Spend was on track and it had been a useful meeting.

NEW ACTION – SR will share final draft of the Mid-term report with the Board for comment before submission by the end of September.

4.0 ECD National Strategy update

RdR updated on the 'Inspiration package' description (5 parts) and progress. ENPE had been asked to contribute to the ECA-ECD project (webinars & workshop). SR shared the presentation provided by IMPEL (Martine Blondeel and Ana Garcia) to DG ENV. Would ENPE be able to provide support in these areas (workshop and webinars)?

KW supported the idea, but it would depend on interest/ commitment from ENPE members and colleagues.

DS noted the (general) interest in ECD, it was reasonable given its importance.

All agreed that the subject was important.

NEW ACTION – SR to accept invitation and decide on level of contributions based on resource availability from members, and let Martine & Ana know.

5.0 Working Groups update

Wildlife Crime WG – it was noted that there had been a proposed workshop including 'real-time' exercise with BIOVAL & uploading case(s) to database, early 2027 (BIOVAL: INBO & EUFJE, have confirmed their participation).

LM asked which countries can apply BIOVAL (under their legislation?). This was not known. This should direct whether a workshop should be held and if so, where.

NEW ACTION – SR to liaise with BIOVAL (Ariane, EUFJE) and confirm which countries can apply BIOVAL. This will direct workshop location & participation if there is sufficient interest. If not, the ENPE Grant Agreement (SAG) can, if necessary, be amended to focus resource on other areas (e.g. ECD)

Pollution WG – it was proposed that sharing of cases & tools available e.g. Dutch 'Justia' software for pollution prosecution at the Prosecutors Association of Serbia, Belgrade celebratory conference 29-30.10.26 would form the Pollution WG's main outputs for 2026.

DS as the WG's Vice-Chair, confirmed his participation and was happy with the idea. RdR noted how keen the Serbian's were – it was a high-profile event with the ambassadors from Sweden, Netherlands and UK all invited to attend.



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Waste & Illegal Pesticide WG – a workshop on various waste topics, was planned for Spring 2027.

NEW ACTION – RdR, KW & SR to discuss format, location, venue and topics.

KW confirmed her participation in the IMPEL Waste & TFS conference in Manchester in October 2026 and was waiting for more details.

6.0 Events attended & forward look

RdR summarised Events attended:

- Brussels ECD Brainstorming on National Strategies 27.03.26 (SR & RdR)
- ENPE & Eurojust WBCJP workshop 20-21.05.26 (SR & RdR) – RdR noted that this had gone well.
- ECA-ECD Belgian meeting 12-13.05.26 (see earlier item)
- ERA EU Air Quality and noise legislation, Bucharest 13-15.05.26 (Remus Jurj)
- ERA training, Prague 27-28 May 2026 (KW & AB) – KW noted that this had gone well.

The ‘forward look’ was discussed:

- IMPEL GA – Cyprus 11-13 June 2026 (Lina Chatzianathanasou) SR noted that LC had been invited to attend but there was not obligation. Not yet confirmed.
- IMPEL Waste & TFS conference, Manchester, 11-13.10.26 (KW)
- PAS/ ENPE conference; Belgrade 29-30 2026. Eligibility of applying SAG (Life programme) funding for this was being checked.

NEW ACTION – SR to share latest programme draft with Board.

- ERA COM project opportunities Autumn/ Winter 2026 (AB & KW)

7.0 AOB & date of next meeting (Autumn 2026)

Next meeting would be decided closer to the time (Autumn). AGM was on 17.06.26.

NEW ACTION – SR to send updated agenda (director ‘discharge of duties included) and reports

Meeting closed 11.00 hrs CET.