

DECISION
ADB(D)14-2021

Appointment of the SJU Executive Director *ad interim*

THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE SESAR JOINT UNDERTAKING (SJU),

Having regard to:

- The Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union ('Staff Regulations') and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union ('CEOS'), laid down by Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 259/68¹, and in particular Articles 47(a) and 48 of the Staff Regulations and 47(b)(ii) of the CEOS;
- Council Regulation (EC) No 219/2007 of 27 February 2007 on the establishment of a Joint Undertaking to develop the new generation of the European Air Traffic Management system (SESAR) as modified by Council Regulation (EC) No 1361/2008 of 16 December 2008 and amended by Council Regulation (EU) No 721/2014 of 16 June 2014 and in particular Articles 4(5) and 7.2 of the Statutes of the SJU;
- The Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union ('Staff Regulations') and to the Conditions of employment of other servants of the European Union ('CEOS'), laid down by Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 259/68¹, and in particular Article 7(2) of the Staff Regulations and Article 10 of the CEOS;
- The SJU implementing rule on temporary occupation of management posts as adopted by the SJU administrative Board on 28 March 2019 (ADB (D) 04-2019);

Whereas:

1. At its meeting of 23 June 2021, the SJU Administrative Board took note of Mr Guillermet's resignation with effect from 5 July 2021 notified in writing by means of letter dated 3 June 2021;
2. In order to ensure continuity of operations of the SJU during the transition period between 5 July 2021 and the date of the appointment of the new Executive Director indicatively expected by 1 April 2022, there is the need to appoint an Executive Director *ad interim*.
3. The Executive Director *ad interim* should ensure the stability and the continuity of the SJU activities and a continued smooth connection between the SJU, its Administrative Board and its Members.
4. The Executive Director *ad interim* should perform the tasks defined in Article 7 of the SJU Statutes and to perform such tasks as may be required by the holder of this post in relation to the new Joint Undertaking that is expected to be established under the Horizon Europe² Programme

¹ OJ L 56, 4.3.1968, p. 1, as last amended by Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1023/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2013, OJ L 287, 29.10.2013, p.15.

² Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 establishing Horizon Europe

and that will succeed the SJU and should report to the Board on the implementation of these tasks.

5. On 23 June 2021, the Chairman of the Board, in agreement with the Vice Chair, after having considered different alternatives and profiles, has decided to propose to the Administrative Board Members the candidature of Mr Richard Frizon as Executive Director *ad interim* taking into consideration: that he is an established temporary SJU staff member; his experience as SJU Chief Financial Officer; and his independence from any SJU member.
6. In the absence of the Executive Director, the Chair shall formalise the contract on behalf of the Administrative Board.
7. A Written Procedure for the appointment of the SJU Executive Director *ad interim* was launched on 23 June 2021 and concluded on 30 June 2021 with positive results.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Administrative Board appoints Mr Richard Frizon as the SJU Executive Director *ad interim* as from 5 July 2021 until the appointment of the new Executive Director to perform the tasks defined in Article 7 of the SJU Statutes and to perform such tasks as may be required by the holder of this post in relation to the new Joint Undertaking that is expected to be established under the Horizon Europe Programme to succeed the SJU.

Article 2

This decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its adoption.

Done in Brussels, 30 June 2021.

For the Administrative Board


Henri Hololei
The Chairperson