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eu-LISA MANAGEMENT BOARD PROCEEDINGS SUMMARY

WHEN   **15 January 2026**
WHERE   **Online**
WHAT   **The 59th Management Board meeting**

On 15 January 2026, the Management Board of eu-LISA (the European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice) held its **59th meeting** online. The extraordinary meeting's main aim was to take stock of the preparations for the new Eurodac, both in Member States and on the side of the Central System.

Management Board Chairperson Mr Rene Vihalem (EE) welcomed the participants – including new members from Malta and Sweden – and introduced the **agenda**.

The Management Board took note of the preparation status for the implementation of the **new Eurodac.**

First, the European Commission indicated that at EU level, everything was on track for the Pact on Migration and Asylum to apply on 12 June 2026. The new Eurodac will be an indispensable component of the Pact, necessary for the application of border procedures.

Then, eu-LISA presented an update about readiness at central level. And during a *tour de table* during which Member States explained the status and challenges vis-à-vis the legal deadline for going live with the new Eurodac on 12 June 2026.

Under **Any Other Business**, the Management Board discussed two more topics. Members were first informed about actions needed in 2026 for the implementation of **ServiceNow,** a new ticketing tool that allows Member States to request support for the systems in operation. The tool should be used from September 2026.

After this, the Chair of the ECRIS-TCN Advisory Group, **Mr Nagy** (eu-LISA) informed the Management Board members about the state of play of the **ECRIS-TCN** programme, the IT system for exchanging criminal records of third-country nationals (non-EU citizens and stateless persons across EU Member States). ECRIS-TCN will be a powerful tool for judges, prosecutors and other relevant authorities to access comprehensive information on an individual's criminal history, regardless of the country where that person was previously convicted. The ECRIS-TCN Programme Management Board (PMB) would convene on 19 January, soon after the end of the extended deadline for compliance testing.

The next Management Board meeting is planned to be held online on **29 January 2026**. A key point on the agenda of that meeting will be the adoption of the **draft Single Programming Document (SPD) 2027–2029**. The Management Board's adoption of the draft SPD by 31 January each year is a legal obligation. The SPD's final adoption will be due by 30 November 2026.