



RESOLUTION

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Continued implementation of the Future of EUPAN Resolution

It has been the priority of the Swedish Presidency and the extended Troika to continue the implementation of the measures initiated by previous Presidencies, often labelled The Future of EUPAN, with the purpose of further strengthening the sustainability, efficiency and continuity of the network.

One of the aims of the Swedish Presidency has been to increase the horizontal coordination and co-operation within EUPAN by arranging integrated meetings and sessions between the three working groups Human Resources Working Group (HRWG), Innovative Public Services Group (IPSG), and eGovernment Working Group (eGOV). The purpose of these measures has been to further strengthen the efficiency of the network and to benefit from synergies between the working groups.

In order to avoid duplication and to establish synergies, the Swedish Presidency has also invited representatives of OECD/GOV and IIAS/EGPA to the working group meetings during the Swedish Presidency. Together with the Troika, the Swedish Presidency and EIPA continued the process of renewing the EUPAN web site.

In addition to this, the Swedish Presidency has also taken several measures with the purpose of giving the Troika a more strategic role in the network.

The recent entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon, and its articles concerning administrative cooperation and provisions concerning an open, efficient and independent European administration, has called upon a need for further discussions on these matters. The Swedish Presidency has therefore initiated such a discussion within the network.

The Directors General responsible for Public Administration in the European Union and the European Commission, at the 53rd meeting in Stockholm on 10 December 2009:

- Thank the Swedish Presidency for the work accomplished when it comes to the implementation of the Resolution on the Future of EUPAN;
- Encourage the coming Presidencies that will implement the new Medium Term Priorities and Work Programmes to continue the work initiated by the Swedish Presidency. These measures specifically include continuing the work with horizontal coordination and co-operation, increased co-operation with OECD/GOV and IIAS/EGPA and continuing the development of the renewed webpage.





Medium Term Priorities, Working Programmes and the continued work in eGOV, HRWG and IPSG

Together with the extended Troika, consisting of the Czech Republic, Spain, Belgium, Hungary, and the European Commission, the Swedish Presidency has drafted new Medium Term Priorities and Working Programmes for the working groups. This process has been carried out in accordance with the new structure for the Medium Term Priorities decided in the Resolution on the Future of EUPAN.

The Directors General responsible for Public Administration in the European Union and the European Commission, at the 53rd meeting in Stockholm on 10 December 2009:

- Thank the Troika under Swedish Presidency for the work accomplished when it comes to the developing of new Medium Term Priorities and Work Programmes.
- Approve the Medium Term Priorities listed in the report annexed to this resolution.
- Approve the Work Programmes for eGOV, HRWG and IPSG listed in the report annexed to this resolution.

The Directors General also thank IPSG, the CAF national correspondents, EIPA and the European Foundation for Quality Management, EFQM, for the elaboration of the CAF external feedback and the Effective CAF User label. They approve these new instruments that constitute an important further step in the implementation of Total Quality Management in the public sector.

The Directors General further acknowledge the importance of the issue of administrative burden reduction for citizens and look with interest to the progress made in several countries. The Directors General understand the need to continue exchanging experiences, in order to find answers to questions of implementation when measuring administrative burden and coming to reductions, and support the Learning Team set up in 2008 in realizing this. In accordance with this, the Directors General approve the request from IPSG for a prolonged mandate for the Learning Team on Administrative Burdens for citizens, spanning the 18 months of the forthcoming Medium Term Priorities period.