

European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change

Declaration of interests

First name:

Surname:

Date of designation as member of the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change:
24/03/2022

I, the undersigned, hereby declare to the best of my information, knowledge and belief, that:

- I have no interests to declare in the field of activities of the Advisory Board ⁽¹⁾.
- I have recorded the following interests in the field of activities of the Advisory Board ⁽²⁾.

Personal data protection

- Filling out this declaration of interests involves the recording and processing of personal data.
- Such data will be processed pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of their personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies, and on the free movement of such data.
- Unless indicated otherwise, any personal data requested are required to prevent and manage potential conflict between private interests you may hold and your duties in the Advisory Board to make impartial and objective decisions, opinions and recommendations and will be processed solely for that purpose by the Secretariat to the Advisory Board, the EEA legal service and the EEA Management Board.
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Please provide information on all interests that are or might be perceived as related to the activities of the Advisory Board and which may thus lead to any actual or potential conflict of interest prejudicial to your independence in the performance of your duties as a member of the Advisory Board. Please add as many rows to the table below as necessary. Annexed to the form you will find the **Declaration of Interests guidance** that you are requested to read and follow when filling in the form below.

(1) If you have no interests to declare, tick here, date, sign and return the form to the Secretariat.

(2) If you have interests to declare, please complete, date, sign and return the form to the Secretariat.

The guidance to the declaration of interests is annexed below.

Title/function + own/family member	Period of activity	Company/organisation	Activity	Relevance to Advisory Board
1. Employment with a company or organisation, including any contractual link (e.g. leave on personal grounds/secondment)				
Director General	1/2/23-	KNMI – Royal Netherlands Meteorological Institute	CEO and CSO	National weather/climate/seismology science agency
Full professor	1/2/23	University of Twente	Research, PhD supervision, some teaching	Research (climate and disaster resilience)
2. Member of a governing body or equivalent structure of a company or organisation				
Member of the board of trustees		IIED	Oversight	Thinkthank with strong climate mandate, active in EU member states and for Commission
Member of the supervisory board		IIED-Europe	Oversight	Thinkthank with strong climate mandate, active in EU member states and for Commission
3. Other membership or affiliation				
Council, vice-chair of PAC	1/2/23-	ECMWF	PR of Netherlands, Oversight, strategy	European weather and climate modelling, Copernicus, DestinE
Assembly	1/2/23-	WMO	PR of Netherlands, oversight	UN org responsible for weather/climate/hydrology
Council	1/2/23-	EUMETSAT	PR of Netherlands, oversight	European weather (and climate) satellite agency
Institute Advisory Board	1/1/24-	NIOZ	Advisory	Netherlands Sea Research Institute, including climate work
4. Research funding from a company or organisation, including any contractual link (e.g. grants, rents, sponsorships, fellowships, non-monetary support > 10,000 EUR per year)				
n/a				
5. Intellectual property rights (e.g. patent, trademark, copyright or proprietary know-how)				
n/a				

6. Investments in a company or organisation, including holding of stocks and/or shares, stock options, equity, bonds, partnership interest in the capital of such undertaking, one of its subsidiaries or a company (>10,000 EUR per commercial entity)				
n/a				
7. Public statements and positions				
Only in my capacity as DG of KNMI				
8. Other relevant information that could be seen as jeopardising your independence as the Advisory Board Member				
n/a				

I hereby declare that I have read the Advisory Board policy for the prevention and management of conflict of interest and the Declaration of Interests guidance and that to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief the information above is true and complete.

I am aware that I am exclusively responsible for the complete and truthful declaration of the interests held by my family members.

I acknowledge that I will immediately inform the Head of the Secretariat of any change in my situation resulting in additional relevant interests and that I will fill out and sign a new declaration of interests accordingly.

Date: April 19, 2024

Signature: Maarten van Aalst