



## 7<sup>th</sup> Consortium Meeting

Wednesday, November 10, 2021

15:30 to 18:00 CET

Royal Concert Hall (Glasgow) et online via Zoom

### Activity report of the Bureau in 2021

In 2021, the Bureau held 5 meetings (March 22, April 21, June 21, September 20 and October 18) under the chairmanship of Dr. Ibrahim MAYAKI, Ms. Gabrielle BASTIEN, and with the assistance of the Executive Secretary, Paul LUU, by video conference. All the colleges were represented by the titular and/or the substitute.

The following main topics were discussed, and decisions made:

#### 1. New partners and members to join the initiative

The Executive Secretary provided a list of countries and organizations that are interested in joining the initiative and have submitted a full application to do so. All documents related to the new applications were uploaded on the collaborative platform (version 2.0 under Confluence). In addition, the Executive Secretariat has made available to all Bureau members a summary of all complete applications received with a short paragraph summarizing the applicant's activities.

On the basis of the information provided, the Bureau validated all the applications submitted by the Secretariat.

Since the fifth meeting of the Online Consortium in December 2020, the Bureau has validated a list of **95 new partners including 36 new members** during 2021.

The following table summarizes the situation:

	Partners	Among which Members
<i>States and Communities</i>	0	0
<i>International Organizations</i>	2	1
<i>Banks / Development Funds</i>	0	0
<i>Foundations</i>	2	1
<i>Producers' organizations</i>	7	4
<i>Research Institutes and Universities</i>	3	2
<i>Civil society - NGOs</i>	36	28
<i>Commercial or for-profit organizations</i>	45	
<b>Total 2021 for the Bureau</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>36</b>

#### 2. Facilitation within each college of the Forum and development of the implementation plan of the 2050 Strategic Plan

As part of the animation within each college, among the tasks with which the Bureau has been particularly associated throughout 2021, is the progress of the Task Forces in the development of the Implementation Plan with the Executive Secretariat. All the meetings of the Bureau have considered this item on their agenda and the session of October 18, in preparation for the meeting of the

Consortium of members, was almost exclusively devoted to the examination of the document in its first version.

This is the version resulting from the October 2021 Bureau discussions whose was presented to the Members' Consortium for validation on November 10, 2021.

In addition, the Office has been associated throughout the year to various activities proposed by the Executive Secretariat such as the Virtual Fair of the Initiative (using the collaborative platform) during the Green Week of the European Union, to the meetings of the Community of Practice of the Nexus "Climate - Soil" set up with the GIZ, or the meeting of the Scientific and Technical Committee.

### **3. Revision of the Statements of Intent - merging the two documents and including presidential reform.**

The modification by the Consortium of Members of the mode of presidency of the Initiative to adopt the troika system, resulted in the need to revise the founding texts of the Initiative relating in particular to its governance. As this is an integral part of the life of the Initiative, it was proposed to merge the two declarations of intent (the so-called "Paris Declaration" recalling the objectives and commitments made by the partners at the time of joining the Initiative, which was put up for signature in December 2015 at COP 21, and the so-called "Marrakech Declaration" detailing the governance of the Initiative and its organization, which was put up for signature by partners wishing to become members and take part in decision-making from November 2016 onwards at COP 22) in order to make the elements accepted by any new partner or member at the time of their accession more readable and understandable.

This review and merging work resulted in a single document entitled "Declaration of intent in support of the international initiative "4 per 1000" which was validated by the Bureau at its meeting of March 22, 2021, on the proposal of the Executive Secretariat. Since that date, it is this single document that is proposed for signature by the new partners and members.

### **4. Selection of applications for the position of Incoming Vice President and monitoring of the election by electronic means.**

The Consortium of Members at its meeting on December 10, 2020 therefore validated the principle that, as of January 1, 2021, a new incoming Vice President would be selected and elected by the Consortium members, while the incumbent Vice President in 2020 would become President, and the incumbent President would become the outgoing Vice President, thus establishing a so-called "troika" system. During this validation, the Consortium of Members also decided on the need for a mix of regional and college backgrounds in this new troika system, as well as special attention to be given to gender, with a "balance" between men and women.

From January 1 to February 28, 2021, a call for nominations for the position of Incoming Vice President of the "4 per 1000" Initiative Members Consortium was opened. In order to respect the balance of gender, geographic origin and college of origin in accordance with the wishes of the Consortium of Members, nominations were only considered acceptable by the Board if the candidates were:

- feminine gender
- originating in America (South, Central or North), Asia or the Pacific
- from a "4 per 1000" member organization belonging to one of the following Consortium constituencies: Scientific and educational institutions, farmers' organizations or NGOs.

Applications by letter of motivation with a complete CV were sent to the Executive Secretariat until February 28. The Executive Secretariat received 6 applications before the deadline, 5 from women (2 from Latin America and 3 from North America) and one from a man.

At its meeting on March 22, the Board was responsible for validating the candidacies before the election and, on the proposal of the Executive Secretariat, considered the male candidacy to be invalid. The Board also followed up on the organization by the Executive Secretariat of the election by the Members of the Consortium by electronic means from March 24 to 31.

During this same period, information about the candidates was available online on the Initiative's collaborative platform and interaction with the candidates was made possible. Each representative of a country or organization member of the Initiative received a link to vote online on the collaborative platform.

The final results are shown in the following table:

Candidates	votes	%	Position
Mrs. Dianna BAGNALL	20	21,0%	3
Mrs. Ercilia SAHORES	21	21,8%	2
<b>Mrs. Gabrielle BASTIEN</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>34,5%</b>	<b>1</b>
Mrs. Maria Beatriz Pilu GIRAUDOU	17	17,4%	4
Mrs. Suzanne RUSSO	5	5,2%	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	
Total Number of Consortium Members	274	<b>35,0%</b>	

Of the 274 members of the Consortium, 96 expressed themselves, i.e. 35% of the members.

Mrs. Gabrielle BASTIEN obtained the highest score with 33 votes, representing 34.5% of the votes cast. Mrs. Ercilia SAHORES and Mrs. Dianna BAGNALL followed with very close results between them with 21.8% and 21.0% of the votes cast respectively.

Consequently, Mrs. Gabrielle BASTIEN was elected incoming Vice President of the Consortium of the "4 for 1000" Initiative for the period 2021-2022. She chaired the meeting of the Bureau on April 21, 2021 after being introduced to the members of the Bureau by the President Stéphane LE FOLL.

#### **5. Advice and proposals on dates and agendas for the Forum and Consortium for the 5th day of the "4 per 1000" Initiative (10 November 2021 in Glasgow and online).**

The Executive Secretariat proposed the respective agendas of the Forum of Partners and the Consortium of Members for the "4 per 1000" Initiative Day on November 10, 2021, which will be held on the sidelines of COP 26 in Glasgow, in hybrid, face-to-face and online versions.

Between two meetings of the Bureau, the Executive Secretariat proposed, in order to give more strength to the whole day, and the Bureau validated this proposal, that a common thread be retained: 'Mobilization of stakeholders through multi-stakeholder coalitions (alliances and partnerships) for the implementation of the "4 per 1000" Strategic Plan to 2050'.

The Bureau commented on these agendas and proposed an organization of the Forum through a statement of the different colleges on their perception of how this implementation on the ground should be done, as well as their participation. The two agendas were validated by the Bureau.