An Roinn Dlí agus Cirt
Department of Justice

Management Board Meeting number 2 of 2024

Management Board – Meeting Details	
Date:	16 January 2024
Time:	1000
Location:	51 St Stephen's Green
In Attendance:	Oonagh McPhillips (chair), John O'Callaghan, Doncha O'Sullivan, Richard Dixon, Yvonne Furey, David Gilbride, Louise Jevens, Deirdre Meenan, Andrew Munro, Stjohn O'Connor, Ben Ryan, Carole Sullivan, Rachel Woods, Andrew Jones, Patrick Cluskey, Emer Mullins (for Item 3), Bobby Smyth (for Item 4), Yvonne Phillips, James Campbell (Secretary)
Apologies	Neil Ward

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1.	**Minutes** **Update from SG**	The minutes of the meeting of 9 January 2024 were agreed and all actions arising are being progressed. The note of the meeting will be published on the Plan and Risk database. The SG noted meetings the previous week with the Garda Commissioner, the Policing Authority and GSOC and updated the board on engagement with colleagues in IPAS and the Performance Review Group.	**All**
2.	**Current and Emerging Issues**	The Board noted an update on accommodation for those seeking International Protection and on the engagement with colleagues in the Department of Children. The Board was updated on the planned Cross Border Policing Conference in February and on the work of the Drogheda Steering Group.	**David Gilbride and Andrew Munro** **Ben Ryan**

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		The Board discussed EU TRIS notifications, and the proposed insolvency directive. The Board noted that the Border Management Unit was taking over immigration interview work from GNIB, freeing up Gardaí for investigation and enforcement work. The Board discussed IPAT's increasing caseload.	**Deirdre Meenan and Andre Munro** **David Gilbride** **Stjohn O'Connor**
3.	**IPO Updates**	The Board received a detailed update on IPO statistics and welcomed the very positive trends in case numbers, processing times and noted the benefits of increased digitalisation and discussed plans for the year ahead.	**Richard Dixon**
4.	**European Media Freedom Act**	The Board was updated on the EMFA, the potential impact on domestic legislation and the status of negotiation at EU level.	**Deirdre Meenan**
5.	**Justice Plan 2023**	The Board noted the major progress made in 2023 and discussed the actions not yet completed in Justice Plan 2023 and the follow through into 2024.	**All**
6.	**Transparency**	The Board **noted** the **Government Business and Communications Calendar** for the week ahead.	**SG**
7.	**AOB**	The Board was updated on a planned PMB on Commissions of Inquiry. The Board was reminded of the need to complete PMDS urgently and Climate Training and informed of a PO Network Event.	

Key Action Points

Circulate Performance Review Group Presentation – Secretary General