

Policy Knowledge Exchange Network (POLKEN) Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, 26th November 2020

Time: from 10:30 to 12:00 CET

Venue: webinar

Chair: Lea Bodossian, SG&ED

Agenda: 1. Welcome and introduction from the Chair

2. Organization of the work of PolKEN/creation of task forces?

3. Updates from EGHO4. UNGGIM update5. Close and AOB

Main points of discussion

39 participants attended this online meeting which was chaired for the first time by the new SG&DG Lea Bodossian. She introduced herself and welcomed the group.

The group discussed the format of activities for the next year. Following the desire of Heads and the Management Board to rejuvenate the representation strategy (which is to be confirmed after the next meeting), it was agreed that PolKEN will continue to meet in "plenary" format twice a year, and that "thematic PolKEN" meetings will be held online when appropriate to keep pace with policy developments, to allow consultation of experts, fluid feedback, elaboration and validation of positions.

Topics to be considered are: Al for NMCA, revision of INSPIRE directive, European strategy for data development, as well as data policy for transport and other data spaces.

The work of PolKEN will also be supported by EGG webinars in the course of 2021.

An update on recent EU policy news was provided: on just published Regulation proposal on Data governance Act and the state of play of the next long-term EU budget. For more details please see the full presentation at the PolKEN meeting webpage.

A feedback period on proposed Data governance Act was announced on 25/11 with a deadline for the submission on 21/01/21. It was agreed that links towards this will be part of the next weekly policy briefing. A fully fleshed policy briefing will be sent before the Christmas break with a view of organizing one of the Thematic PolKEN meeting on the 13 January, in order to allow EGHO to submit a contribution by the deadline.

A brief update on UNGGIM latest ex-comm meeting was provided.

Actions: MZ to publish information and link on Data Governance Act in the next weekly brief

MZ to create a brief paper on the key elements of the Act; what impact the members

and where they might wish to contribute.

Next meeting: Wednesday 13th January 2021, from 10:30 to 12:00 CET via Zoom - tbc