

**DECISION No MB/2020/21  
OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR CYBERSECURITY (ENISA)**

**ON DRAWING UP SECURITY RULES AND ON HANDLING SENSITIVE NON-CLASSIFIED  
AND EU CLASSIFIED INFORMATION UP TO THE LEVEL SECRET UE/EU SECRET**

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF ENISA,

**Having regard to** Regulation (EU) 2019/881 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on ENISA (the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity) and on information and communications technology cybersecurity certification and repealing Regulation (EU) No 526/2013 (Cybersecurity Act), hereinafter referred to as the Regulation, and in particular Articles 7, 27(4) and 43 thereof.

**Having regard to** Commission Decisions (EU, Euratom) 2015/443/EC and 2015/444/EC of 13 March 2015.

**Having regard to** the Decision No MB/2020/9 of the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA) on the establishment of ENISA's internal structures;

**Having regard to** the Decision No MB/2019/13 of the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA) delegating the relevant appointing authority powers to the Executive Director;

Whereas

- (1) In accordance with Article 43 of Regulation (EU) 2019/881, ENISA shall adopt security rules for protecting sensitive non-classified information and EU classified information (EUCI), based on the principles and rules laid down in the Commission security rules for protecting EUCI, as established in Commission Decision 2015/444 including the principles of legality, transparency, proportionality and accountability.
- (2) An administrative arrangement between the European Commission and ENISA on the exchange of EU classified information, up to the level RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED, has been concluded on 8 June 2011.
- (3) An administrative arrangement on sharing classified information with ENISA, up to the level RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED, has been authorised by the Council of the European Union as of 31 October 2013.
- (4) Following the tasks mandated to ENISA in Regulation (EU) 2019/881, the MB Decision 2016/1 on ENISA security rules currently in place for protecting EUCI/classified information needs to be reviewed with the intention of enabling the Agency to handle and protect SECRET UE/EU SECRET level information, taking into account organisational, operational and technological developments.

HAS DECIDED TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

**Article 1**

The Management Board of ENISA hereby instructs ENISA to draw up revised security rules applying the security principles contained in the Commission's security rules for protecting sensitive non-classified information and EUCI up to the level SECRET UE/EU SECRET, as set out in Decisions (EU, Euratom) 2015/443 and 2015/444.

**Article 2**

ENISA shall revise the security rules in accordance with Art. 43 of Regulation (EU) 2019/881 and shall include provisions for the exchange, processing and storage of sensitive non-classified information and EU classified information up to the level SECRET UE/EU SECRET.

**Article 3**

The Management Board of ENISA authorises the Agency to prepare the handling of sensitive non-classified information and EUCI up to the level SECRET UE/EU SECRET in agreement with the Commission services.

**Article 4**

**Entry into force**

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done by written procedure on 30 November 2020.

On behalf of the Management Board,

[Signed]

Chairperson of the Management Board of ENISA  
Jean Baptiste Demaison