

Towards a European Supervisory Culture

The Role and Strategy of EIOPA

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Outline



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I. What is EIOPA?



- Union body with legal personality as well as administrative/financial autonomy
- Can be a party to legal proceedings
- Represented by its Chairperson
- Autonomous budget revenues from national authorities and EU Budget
- Accountable to EU institutions

II. Key objectives of EIOPA



- Stable/effective financial system
- Sound regulation/supervision
- Transparent, efficient and orderly markets
- International supervisory co-ordination
- No regulatory arbitrage
- Equal conditions of competition
- Appropriate regulation/supervision of risks
- Enhanced customer protection

III. Some of EIOPA's tasks...



- High-quality regulatory standards/practices
- Consistent application of legally binding acts
- Co-operate closely with ESRB
- Peer review analyses
- Monitor and assess market developments
- Undertake economic analyses of markets
- Foster protection of policyholders

IV. EIOPA's powers



- Develop draft technical standards
- Issue guidelines and recommendations
- In certain cases, remedy emergency situations
- Settle disagreements in cross-border situations
- Monitor correct application of EU law
- Methodologies for products and distribution

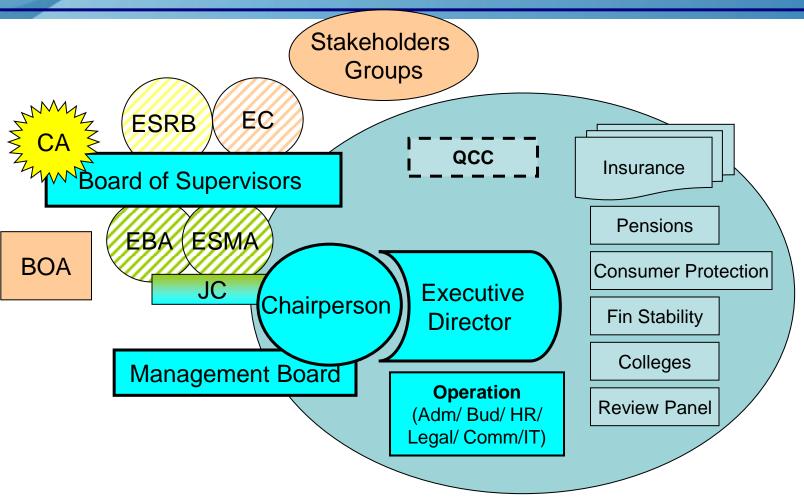
V. EIOPA's tools



- Working Groups
- Colleges
- Stakeholder Groups
- Impact Assessment/Consultation
- Peer Reviews
- Stress Tests
- Sectoral/Cross-Sectoral Training

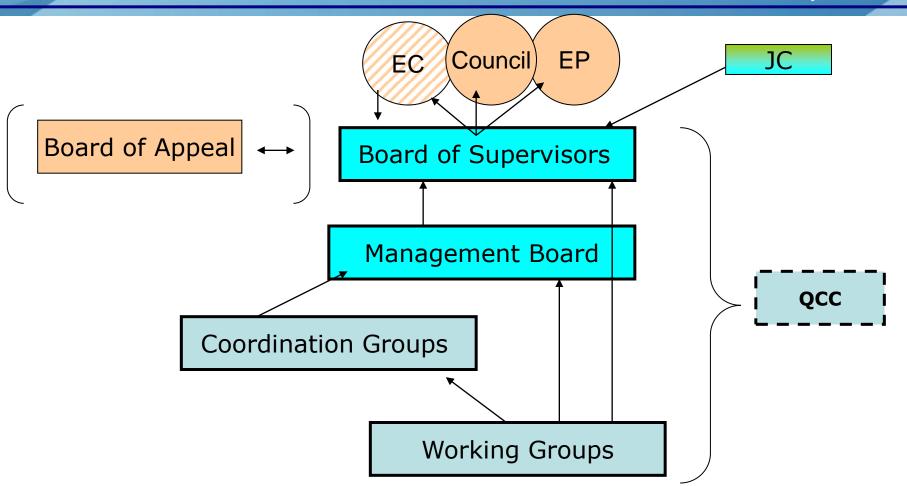
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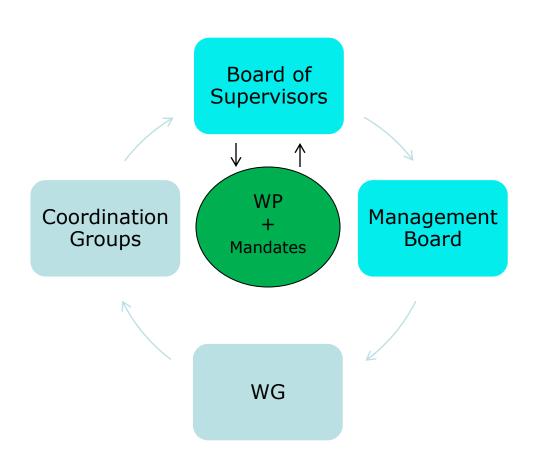
VII. Decision-making process





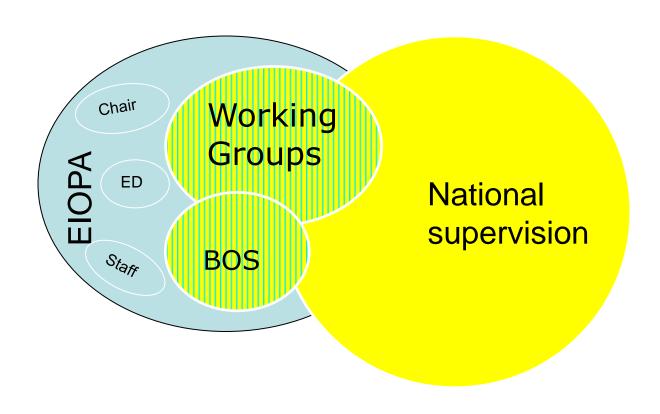
VIII. Strategic Orientation





Together but Independent







Thank you

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