



Regulations governing expert groups and working groups

EBLIDA members can make proposals for the establishment of expert groups or working groups. Proposals must be submitted to the EBLIDA secretariat at least three weeks before an Executive Committee meeting.

EBLIDA Expert Group

An EBLIDA Expert Group is established to assist in formulating strategic aims for EBLIDA in cooperation with the director and to advise on issues pertaining to the area of expertise (e.g. copyright and IPR). An expert group should consist of recognized experts within the relevant domain and should ideally represent a geographical spread across the European membership of EBLIDA.

An expert group can be established by the Executive Committee. Members of the expert group are appointed and approved by the EC in cooperation with the director. If possible the Chair of an expert group should be a member of the EC. Apart from the Chair, members of an expert group need not be members of EBLIDA

Experts groups are appointed for a three year period, but can be extended for further three year periods. There is no limit to the number of extensions, as there is no limit as to the number of years a member can serve on an expert group. The Chair of the expert group is appointed or reappointed by the EC in conjunction with the establishment or extension of the expert group.

The Expert Groups meet once or twice a year and communicate via email and on a listserv. Each expert group appoints a secretary and information coordinator

An expert group should consist of at least five members and no more than 12 members.

EBLIDA Working Group

An EBLIDA working group is established to work on very specific issues within the main policy areas of EBLIDA (a specific directive, initiative or issue).

Members of the working group are appointed and approved by the EC in cooperation with the director. The chair of a working group must be a member of EBLIDA; other members need not be EBLIDA members.

Working groups are appointed for a period of up to one year and terms of reference and mandate are formulated by the EC.

A working group should consist of a minimum of 3 members and a maximum of 8 members.

The director or another member of the EBLIDA secretariat acts as the link between the working group and the EC.

Dissemination

The activities of expert groups and working groups should be disseminated to EBLIDA members via EBLIDA News and the EBLIDA website.