



**STICHTING ENVIRONMENTAL
INVESTIGATION AGENCY**

ANNUAL OPERATING PLAN 2026-2027

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Introduction

This Annual Plan sets out Stichting Environmental Investigation Agency's priorities and activities for the period 2026-2027.

The plan represents the first year of delivery of Stichting EIA's Strategic Policy Plan 2026-2028. During this period, Stichting EIA will focus on building the governance, operational and strategic foundations required to support EIA's environmental mission within the Netherlands, the European Union and wider Europe.

The activities outlined in this plan are intended to strengthen Stichting EIA's readiness for future growth, identify opportunities for greater European engagement and ensure that Stichting EIA is well positioned to support EIA's long-term objectives.

Annual Objective

During 2026-2027, Stichting EIA will strengthen its organisational capacity and develop a clear roadmap for its future contribution to EIA's work in Europe.

Success will be measured not only by maintaining compliance but also by improving Stichting EIA's ability to support European engagement, partnerships, funding opportunities and operational activities in future years.

Priorities 2026-2027

Priority 1: Maintain a Well-Governed and Compliant Stichting

Stichting EIA will continue to operate in accordance with Dutch legal, regulatory and ANBI requirements while maintaining appropriate governance, financial and administrative arrangements.

Activities

- Maintain compliance with all statutory and ANBI obligations.
- Support effective Board oversight and decision-making.
- Maintain appropriate records, policies and governance documentation.
- Review administrative and financial arrangements as required.

Intended Outcome

A compliant, well-governed and operationally sound Stichting capable of supporting future development.

Priority 2: Strengthen Operational Readiness

Stichting EIA will establish and maintain the practical arrangements necessary to support future activities within the Netherlands and wider Europe.

Activities

- Establish and maintain a Dutch correspondence address.

- Establish and maintain a Dutch telephone service.
- Review administrative, banking and operational arrangements.
- Ensure appropriate infrastructure exists to support future growth.

Intended Outcome

Stichting EIA has the operational infrastructure necessary to support its future role and activities.

Priority 3: Evaluate Opportunities to Support EIA's European Operations

Stichting EIA will assess how it can best contribute to EIA's long-term effectiveness and presence within Europe.

Activities

- Evaluate the suitability of Stichting EIA as a potential employing entity for EU-based staff.
- Review existing Employer of Record arrangements.
- Assess operational, administrative and organisational opportunities that may strengthen EIA's European presence.
- Identify any legal, financial or governance implications associated with future development.

Intended Outcome

The Board has a clear understanding of how Stichting EIA can support EIA's future operational needs within Europe.

Priority 4: Develop Future Funding and Partnership Opportunities

Stichting EIA will develop an understanding of the funding, partnership and stakeholder engagement opportunities available to support EIA's long-term environmental objectives within Europe.

Activities

- Identify potential funding opportunities within the Netherlands and wider European Union.
- Explore relationships with relevant funders, institutions and partners.
- Assess opportunities for collaboration that support EIA's environmental objectives.
- Consider how Stichting EIA could contribute to EIA's future fundraising activities.

Intended Outcome

Stichting EIA has identified practical opportunities that may support future fundraising, partnerships and stakeholder engagement.

Priority 5: Establish a Long-Term Direction

Stichting EIA will review the outcomes of the year's activities and develop recommendations that support delivery of the Strategic Policy Plan 2026-2028.

Activities

- Evaluate findings from governance, operational and employment reviews.
- Review funding and partnership opportunities identified during the year.
- Assess future resource requirements.
- Develop recommendations for Board consideration.
- Agree priorities for implementation during 2027 and 2028.

Intended Outcome

Stichting EIA has a clear strategic direction and practical roadmap for the next phase of development.

Key Deliverables

By the end of the planning period, Stichting EIA aims to have:

- Maintained full compliance with Dutch legal, regulatory and ANBI requirements.
- Established and maintained appropriate Dutch operational infrastructure.
- Completed an assessment of employment and operational support options.
- Identified potential funding, partnership and stakeholder engagement opportunities.
- Developed recommendations regarding Stichting EIA's future role within EIA.
- Agreed priorities for implementation during the remainder of the Strategic Policy Plan period.

Budget 2026-2027

As Stichting EIA's activities are currently focused on compliance, planning and strategic assessment, expenditure is expected to remain limited. Future budgets will be reviewed in line with any implementation activities, partnership opportunities or funding secured during the period.

Budget Item	Estimated Cost (€)
Registered business address and post forwarding service	300
Telephone service and call forwarding	50
Total	350

Risks and Assumptions

Progress against this Annual Plan will depend upon:

- Continued Board engagement and oversight.
- Availability of organisational capacity to undertake planned reviews and assessments.
- Availability of suitable funding opportunities and external partners.
- Alignment with EIA's wider organisational priorities and available resources.

Measures of Success

This Annual Plan will be considered successful if:

- Stichting EIA remains fully compliant and well governed.
- Stichting EIA has strengthened its operational readiness within the Netherlands.
- The Board has received clear recommendations regarding future employment, operational and organisational arrangements.
- Potential funding and partnership opportunities have been identified and assessed.
- A practical implementation roadmap has been developed for 2027 and 2028.
- Stichting EIA is demonstrably better positioned than at the start of the year to support EIA's environmental mission across Europe.

Successful delivery of this Annual Plan will provide Stichting EIA with the information, infrastructure and strategic direction required to begin implementation of the next phase of the Strategic Policy Plan 2026-2028.