

EASAC: European Academies' Science Advisory Council

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National Academies of Science



- Recognise, promote and support excellence in science
- Speak with authority based on scientific evidence, addressing policy makers, stakeholder groups, and the wider public
- Encourage the development and use of science for the benefit of humanity

- Network of national science academies in Europe
- Set up in 2001 to provide independent policy advice to EU (Commission and Parliament) – united voice of the best EU scientists
- “Science for policy” - use scientific evidence to guide EU policy making
- [“Policy for science” – guide the spending of research budgets]

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What does it do ?

- Provides detailed analysis and recommendations from Europe's most respected scientists
- EASAC's publications have EU-wide perspective and are designed for a policy oriented audience, not only for other scientists.
- EASAC is the affiliated network for Europe of Inter-Academy Panel (IAP) on international issues, and works with network of African science academies

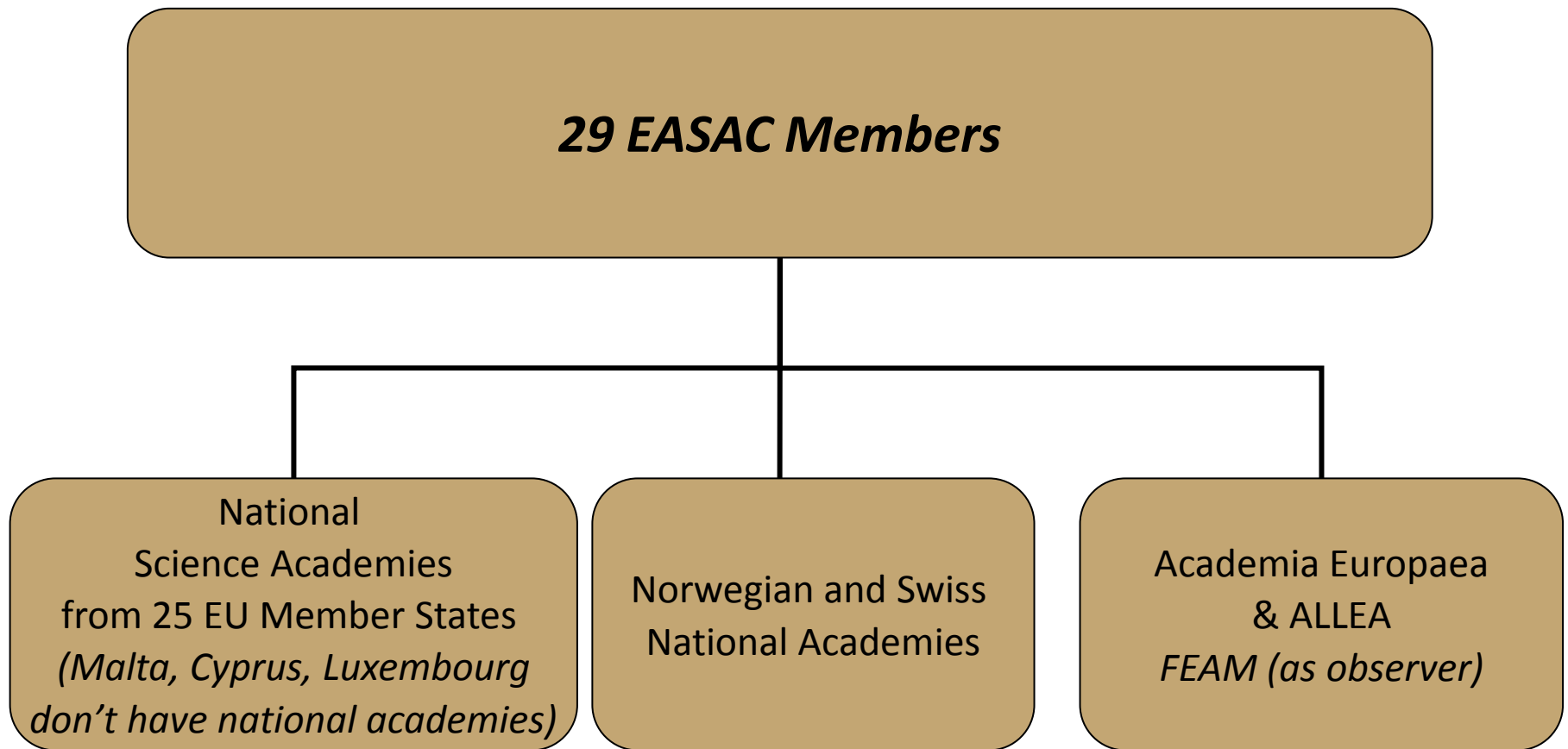


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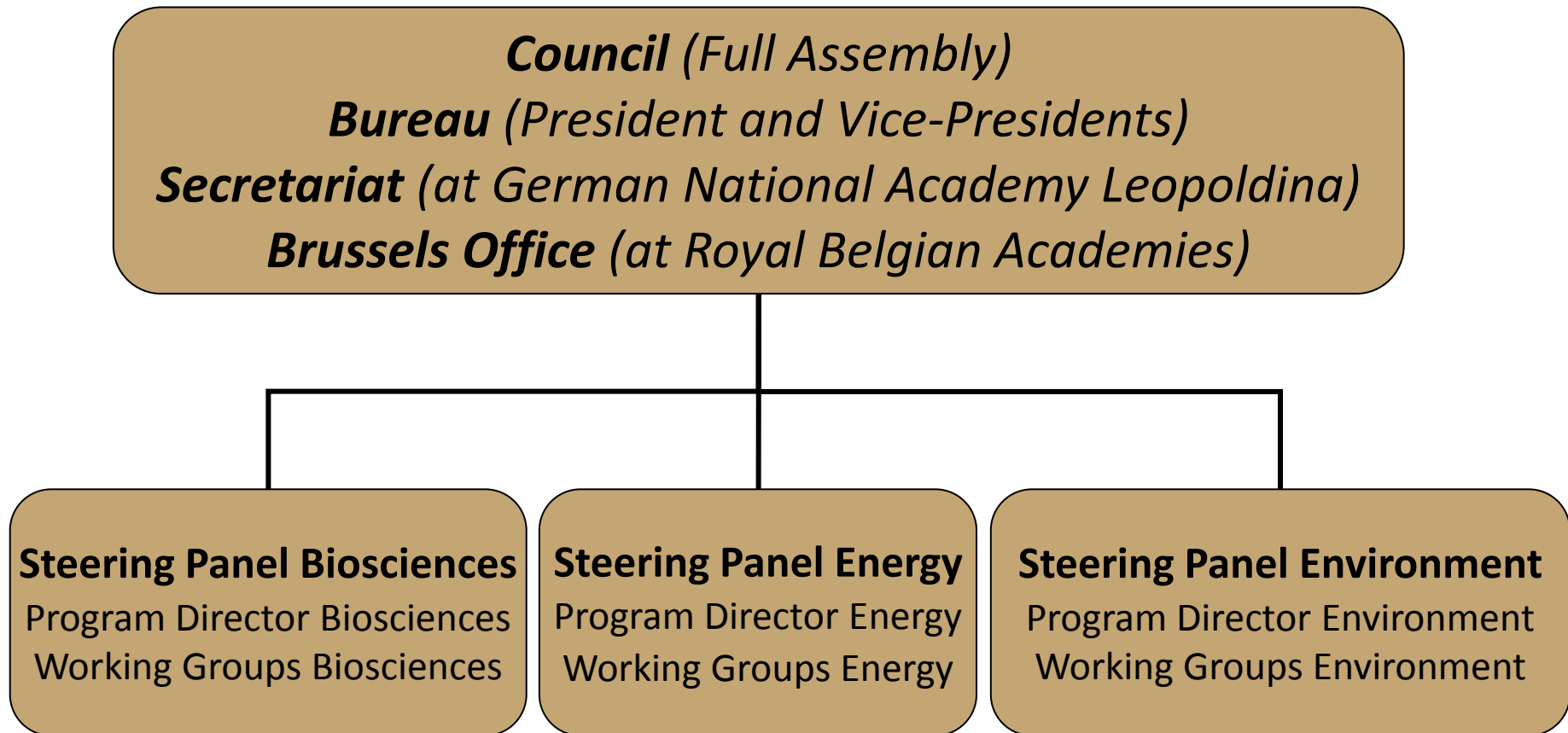
Evidence for policy

- High quality (peer reviewed, quality assured)
- Validated by academies from all EU member states
- Independent (no commercial or political bias)

EASAC Membership



Organisational Structure of EASAC

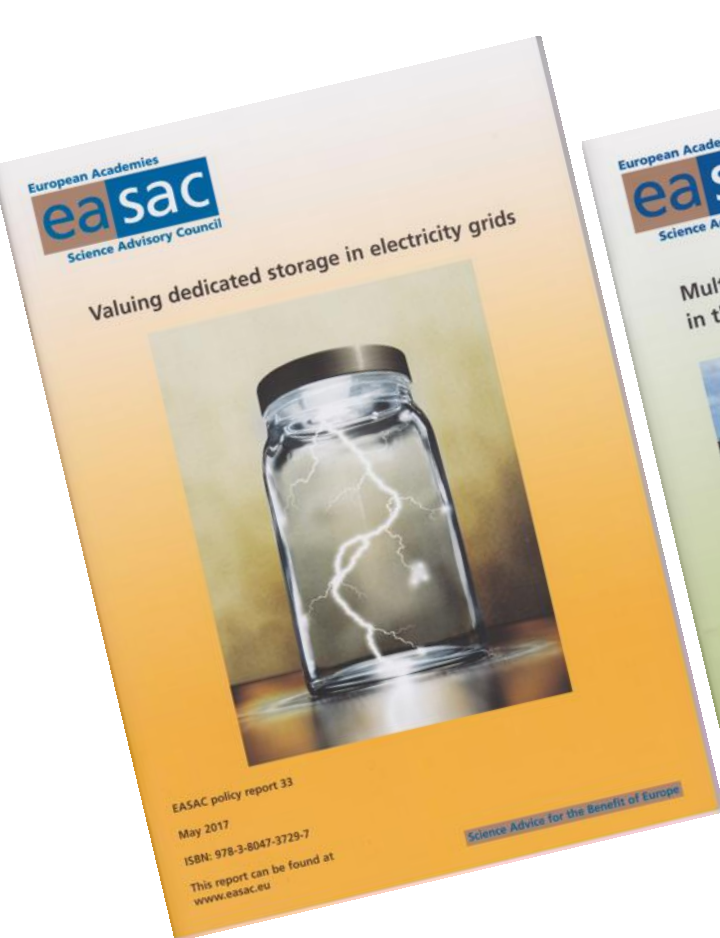


EASAC project outcomes

- What emerging scientific evidence could be important for EU policy makers ?
- What independent scientific evidence could help policy makers to balance conflicting messages from different lobby groups ?
- What new developments need to be taken into account in future energy policies and legislation?

Recent EASAC Reports

Energy and Environment Programmes



On-going EASAC Projects

- **Decarbonisation of Transport**
- **Negative Emission Technologies**
- **Sustainability of Europe's Soils**
- **Smart Villages Initiative in Developing Countries**

Closing remarks

EASAC reports are valued in Brussels because they are endorsed by all of Europe's national science academies

EASAC reports are valued by national science academies because they add weight to messages which academies give to their national governments

EASAC reports deliver good value for money to national science academies, because production costs are shared

Thank you !