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Dear EUPAN Colleagues,

It is a great pleasure for Ireland to welcome you as we assume the chairing of the European Public Administration Network (EUPAN) during Ireland's Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

We are very pleased to have this responsibility and to work closely with all Member States, the European Commission and observer countries over the coming months and commend our Cyprus colleagues for their inspiring stewardship of the network during their Presidency. EUPAN continues to serve as a trusted forum for cooperation, shared learning and exchange among our public administrations, particularly at a time of rapid change and shared challenges.

Under Ireland's chairing, we are committed to supporting EUPAN as a space for open dialogue, practical collaboration and evidence-informed policy exchange. We look forward to building on the strong work of previous presidencies and to advancing discussions on issues that matter to all our administrations, including public service capacity and capability, digital transformation, disability inclusion and efficiency and effectiveness, particularly from a whole-of-government perspective.

Our public administrations across the EU have long benefited from engagement through the EUPAN network, and we place strong value on the collective experience, expertise and professionalism that the network brings together. The Irish programme aligns with and promotes the themes of the network's strategy paper and supports concrete learning and useful insights on key issues.

We look forward to working constructively with you throughout the Presidency, to fruitful discussions at EUPAN meetings and to continuing to strengthen cooperation across European public administrations.

On behalf of the Irish EUPAN Team, we are very much looking forward to our collaboration and to welcoming you to Dublin, Ireland for the:

- Working Level Meeting on 1-2 October 2026 in the Printworks Conference Centre in Dublin Castle, Dublin, Ireland
- Directors General Level Meeting on 2-3 December 2026 in the Hibernia Conference Centre in Dublin Castle, Ireland

We have issued our survey on whole-of-government working with a reminder to complete this by 15 July 2026.

The Practical Information Notes for the meetings will issue at a later stage. If you need any additional information or clarifications in the meantime regarding EUPAN, please contact us at: eupanirl@per.gov.ie

Kind regards,

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