

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2021/2242**of 13 December 2021****amending Decision 2009/908/EU laying down measures for the implementation of the European Council Decision on the exercise of the Presidency of the Council, and on the chairmanship of preparatory bodies of the Council**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to European Council Decision 2009/881/EU of 1 December 2009 on the exercise of the Presidency of the Council ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 4 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) By Decision 2009/908/EU ⁽²⁾, the Council laid down measures for the implementation of Decision 2009/881/EU. The preparatory bodies of the Council which are not chaired by the 6-monthly Presidency are listed in Annex III to Decision 2009/908/EU, as provided for in Article 2, third subparagraph, of Decision 2009/881/EU.
- (2) In light of the advisory nature as well as of the experience and the type of tasks carried out by the European Research Area and Innovation Committee, that committee should be added to the list of preparatory bodies that are not chaired by the 6-monthly Presidency.
- (3) Decision 2009/908/EU should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In Annex III to Decision 2009/908/EU, the following preparatory body is added to the list entitled 'Elected chairs':
'European Research Area and Innovation Committee'.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 13 December 2021.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 315, 2.12.2009, p. 50.

⁽²⁾ Council Decision 2009/908/EU of 1 December 2009 laying down measures for the implementation of the European Council Decision on the exercise of the Presidency of the Council, and on the chairmanship of preparatory bodies of the Council (OJ L 322, 9.12.2009, p. 28).