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- The Institute for Environment and Sustainability (IES) is one of the seven scientific institutes of the European Commission's **Joint Research Centre (JRC)**.
- Its mission is to **provide scientific and technical support to EU policies** for the protection of the European and global environment.
- Located in Ispra, Italy, the JRC-IES carries out research to **understand the complex interactions** between human activity and the physical environment, and how to **manage strategic resources** (water, land, forests, food, minerals, etc.) in a more sustainable manner.
- The JRC provides the scientific basis for the conception, development, implementation and evaluation of **EU policies that promote the greening of Europe** and the global sustainable management of natural resources.
- The JRC works in partnership with other Directorates General to **support the strategic priorities** of the European Commission.



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1) Where do you see the **potential benefits** of a Network of Knowledge for your institution?

- Access to first-hand information
- Involvement from the beginning into upcoming issues (stay tuned, line 858)



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2) Where do you see the strongest **potential contributions** of your institutions to a Network of Knowledge – **in 2014 in the steps of establishing it?**

- Open access and connection to JRC data-bases
- Contribution to Peer reviews



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3) Where do you see the strongest **potential contributions** of your institutions to a Network of Knowledge – **in a mid-term perspective after establishment?**

- To actively share open-source data + information + knowledge
- Provide an EU policy view



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## 4) Any additional points ...



- Avoid overlap – define boundaries and complementarities – with other science-policy institutions (cf 2.3, line 262)
- The „Battle is in Your head“ ([science.time.com](http://science.time.com))



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