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Subject: JRC discussion document on the introduction of monitoring to substitute OTSC

The JRC has produced the attached discussion document as a technical elaboration of the working document DS/CDP/2017/03, introducing the possibility for substituting the OTSC by a system of monitoring. It relates to the revision of implementing regulation 2014/809.

The document details our current status of thinking concerning the development of the monitoring approach and thus offers a frame for guiding our technical discussions with the main stakeholders and practitioners. It is intended that this monitoring approach will not only deliver substantial benefits for the simplification of the control procedures, but it will also offer a valuable instrument for reinforcing the performance of the future CAP.

We invite you to review the document and to share your questions and comments. We very much welcome any experience that can augment, validate or challenge the content.

A first opportunity to launch our technical discussions will be the 23rd MARS conference in Gormanston, Ireland, on November 28th and 29th. The MARS conferences have participation from all Member States and a coordinated feedback by delegation and active comments on this document would be welcome. Written comments are also welcome to myself and Wim Devos by email.

Following your feedback, discussions will continue in the future technical workshops and meetings.

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