

Mission

PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency contributes to improving the quality of political and administrative decision-making by conducting outlook studies, analyses and evaluations in which an integrated approach is considered paramount.

Policy relevance is the prime concern in all our studies.

We conduct solicited and unsolicited research that is always independent and scientifically sound.

Governance structure

Staff: 200 full-time equivalents (in 2015: 165 FTE)

Formal basis:

Government regulation for policy-analysis agencies

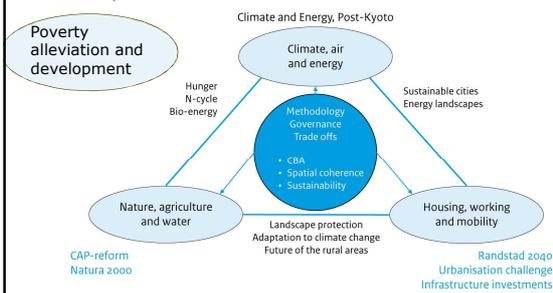
Organisational embedding:

Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment

Clients:

- Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment
- Several other ministries; e.g. Ministry of Economic Affairs and Ministry of General Affairs
- European Union, UNEP, OECD

PBL expertise



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Structural products

- Assessment of the Human Environment (biannual)
- Nature Outlook (quadrennial)
- Assessment of Spatial Developments (quadrennial)
- Trend reports (biannual)
- Compendium of the Environment (in association with CBS en WUR)

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Strategic multiannual programmes

- Climate and energy transition agenda
- Biodiversity, food security and development issues
- Spatial developments beyond the systemic crisis
- The importance of clusters and networks for the competitiveness
- Infrastructure and sustainable urban regions

Recent publications



External services

- Advice on policy proposals in governmental councils prior to the Council of Ministers (e.g. REZIM, CEZIM)
- Analysing proposals from the European Commission and other international bodies
- Supporting the Dutch contribution to IPCC
- Contact point for ESPON programmes and EEA
- OECD Environmental Outlook
- Supporting the Ministry of Foreign affairs in UN IPBES

Scientific quality control

- Scientific review
- Seminars
- PBL Advisory Board
- International scientific audit (2012)
- Learning organisation: e.g. PBL Academy lectures by guest scientists
- Collaboration with universities and research institutes