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## Expert assistance available to help address European transport and environmental challenges

TRL (Transport Research Laboratory) has been awarded a four-year European Environment Agency (EEA) framework agreement to provide expert assistance in the area of transport, emissions and the environment. As the lead organisation, TRL will work in partnership with VTI (the Swedish National Road and Transport Institute), the Transportation Studies Unit at the new Oxford University Centre for the Environment (OUCE), and FEHRL (the Forum of European National Highway Research Laboratories).

Through this framework agreement, TRL will be involved in a number of tasks to support the EEA in its mission of collating, analysing and assessing data, and reporting on Europe's environmental performance. The work will also include regular updating of the EEA Transport and Environment Reporting Mechanism (TERM). The transport sector is seen as one of the key areas in terms of environmental performance, requiring a multi-disciplinary approach due to its linkage with other areas of the economy.

Framework Director Chris Fry said; "It is a critical time for European countries to address the pressures that growing transport demands are placing on the global environment. We are pleased to be able to provide an array of expert assistance to the European Environment Agency to improve information and understanding in this field." Chris Fry is also Head of TRL's Centre for Sustainability (C4S).

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TRL has a breadth of European experience and contacts to call upon. This, coupled with the wide range of skills the partnership has to offer, will help link the EEA's work across sectors other than transport, and into related areas such as climate change.

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Picture shows Chris Fry and is available electronically on request.

Notes to Editors:

The Centre for Sustainability (C4S) "Generating and sharing knowledge for a sustainable future" is a centre of excellence within the Transport Research Foundation drawing on 400 technical and professional staff from TRL.

