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## The Society advocates the importance of evidence-based scientific advice in Europe

On 22 July, nine representatives from environmental NGOs wrote to the President elect of the European Commission, Jean-Claude Juncker, asking him to 'scrap the position' of Chief Scientific Advisor.

BPS has joined ten other organizations by signing a Sense about Science coordinated <u>letter to Mr Juncker</u> in support of the position and of independent scientific evidence in policy making.

This role is of fundamental value to improving the use of evidence in policy making. The letter objects to any attempt to undermine the integrity and independence of scientific advice received at the highest level of the European Commission. It also defends the record of Professor Anne Glover in having delivered impartial and rigorous advice as she is mandated to do.