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THE COURT OF JUSTICE IS THE FIRST COMMUNITY INSTITUTION TO OBTAIN THE SUPERDRECKSKËSCHT® QUALITY LABEL FOR ITS EXEMPLARY WASTE MANAGEMENT

The arrangements for the prevention and environmentally sound management of waste which have been put in place by the Court since 1 May 2003 have been described as 'complete and reliable' by the SuperDrecksKëscht® fir Betriber

The Court of Justice has been awarded a quality label by the *SuperDrecksKëscht** for exemplary waste management.

The award of the label rewards all the officials and agents of the institution for their genuine commitment in the environmentally sound management of waste and their contribution to environmental enhancement.

A plan for the prevention and environmentally sound management of waste was finalised with an advisor from the *SuperDrecksKëscht*[®] *fir Betriber* as part of a joint action by the Ministry of the Environment and the Chamber of Trades (Chambre des Métiers). The Court had already had in place for a number of years an active policy for the collection, recycling and disposal of some specific forms of waste (paper, plastic, household waste, neutralisation of waste waters).

The realisation of a waste treatment plan is a more voluntarist step which involves reorganising the process for the sorted collection of waste and putting in place the appropriate infrastructure. It also requires a considerable financial effort, since it leads to a doubling of the budget earmarked for this area.

Implementation of the environmentally sound waste management plan is reviewed and assessed according to a number of criteria, notably implementation of measures to prevent

^{*} Organisation accredited by the government for waste management.

and reduce waste, sorted collection of residual substances and cooperation with accredited disposal firms which guarantee high-quality recycling and environmentally-sound disposal of those residual substances. 36 categories of waste have been defined (ranging from glass and cans to toner cartridges for printers and photocopiers, and including kitchen and garden waste, polystyrene, lights and colour residues produced in the printing shop). Various types of containers have been installed, adapted to the nature of the waste.

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