



Institut Bauen und Umwelt Newsletter

August 2015

Dear Ladies and Gentleman, dear IBU-members,

In the beginning of the second half of 2015 our IBU Newsletter especially focuses on current information on our guideline documents, the PCRs.

Regarding the product specific PCR Part B, IBU has achieved an enormous diversity due to its absolutely committed manufacturers: By now, there are 100 different PCR Part B Documents for diverse construction product groups. Ten years ago IBU published its first EPD and more than 1,000 have followed.



On 17 September 2015 IBU is offering a methodology seminar for life cycle assessment experts. You are very welcome to register; there are only few places left.

I hope you will enjoy reading about this and other current topics in our Newsletter.

Yours Dr.-Ing. Burkhard Lehmann



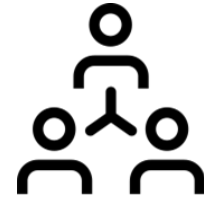
IBU News

Current Advisory Board (SVR) decisions

Three new decisions were adopted by the IBU Advisory Board at its meeting on 30 June 2015:

- Decision No. 20150630-b: Amendments to PCR Part A
- Decision No. 20150630-e: Representativity Account
- Decision No. 20150630-k: CO2 Certificates

The SVR decisions are accessible [here](#).



Positive feedback for the IBU video clip “What is an EPD?”



In our last newsletter we introduced our new video clip to you, which explains to the general public, in an easy-to-understand-way, how EPDs work. An overwhelming feedback reached the IBU Office in the past few weeks...[more](#)

100 PCRs already published at IBU



IBU offers EPD Solutions for various construction product groups and, together with its members, has created an industry standard across different sectors. This becomes obvious in Part B of the PCRs, where many different Product Category Rules are listed, specifying the creation of EPDs at IBU according to ISO 14025 and EN 15804...[more](#)

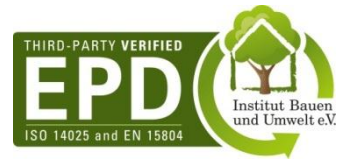
EPD data files of IBU published in ÖKOBAUDAT

In July 2015 IBU uploaded more than 160 EPDs through the interface to ÖKOBAUDAT of BBSR; on 20. August they will be published on www.oekobaudat.de and can therefore be used for life cycle assessment in the eLCA Tool...[more](#)



Are you looking for an experienced life cycle assessment expert? IBU liaises.

For the process of creating EPDs and underlying environment impact analyses, IBU works closely together with recognized professionals and experts. All of them are skilled in their trade, possess a highly methodological and product group-specific knowhow on life cycle assessment, as well as long-standing experience, that especially qualifies them for these sophisticated projects. Any company and/or association which require a professional for any environmental services (as for example creating an EPD) are welcome to contact us here at our IBU Office and we will provide the contact data of a suitable expert.



New members

TRESPA International joins IBU

Institut Bauen und Umwelt (IBU) is constantly expanding: As from August 2015 IBU welcomes the manufacturer of High Pressure Laminates applied in façades and laboratory equipment/scientific surface solutions as a full member of the association...[more](#)



Announcements

Reminder: IBU EPD Methodology Seminar for Life Cycle Assessment Experts

It takes place on 17 September 2015 in Berlin, Germany.

Venue:

Hotel Alexander Plaza

Raum: KUCKEI 1+2

Rosenstraße 1

10178 Berlin-Mitte

Detailed information about the programme and how to register is accessible [here](#).



Save the day: IBU Communication Workshop



It takes place on 28 January 2016 in Cologne, Germany. Topic: Successfully communicating EPDs in Marketing, PR and Sales. Further information will soon be provided on the IBU website and members and declaration owners will be officially invited.

Training programme “DGNB Consultant for construction products and the execution of construction work” in cooperation with IBU



The next DGNB-Consultant trainings in cooperation with IBU will start on:



- 04.-05.11.2015 Cologne
- 17.-18.11.2015 Stuttgart

The three day training is addressed to job starters as well as professionally experienced people...[more](#)

SKZ-Seminar: Umwelt-Produktdeklarationen (EPD) erfolgreich nutzen

on 30. September in Würzburg by SKZ – ConSem GmbH with support of IBU...[more](#)



LEED in Europe - Technical Event

on 21.-22. September in Berlin. By GGBA und USGBC with support of IBU. LEED Networking Reception in the evening is open to European green building professionals, owners, developers...[more](#)



Fifth International Symposium on Life-cycle Civil Engineering

on 16.-19. October 2016 in Delft/The Netherlands...[more](#)

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