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Welcome to the first EPD conference
- Limited number of places left!

The first conference organised by the International EPD® System, The International EPD® System – Your partner for environmental communication, will be held on 15th May, 9am-5pm, at the Stockholm Waterfront Congress Centre in Sweden. Come and meet fellow experts from all over the world. A draft of the new General Programme Instructions will be presented, along with good examples by Barilla (Italy), Pfizer (US), Vicinay Cadenas (Spain) and Research Centre for Mining and Metallurgy (Chile), and guidelines on using EPD® in marketing and communications.

▶ [Contact the secretariat to secure your free place](#)

Revised GPI soon out for consultation

Most technical aspects have been solved for the new General Programme Instructions (GPI), by the Technical Committee. The new GPI – the rules behind the EPD System – is expected to be on consultation on the Environdec website for 12 weeks from April.

▶ [Read more about the GPI](#)

New preliminary criteria for verifiers

A set of new preliminary criteria for accepting recognized individual verifiers have been published. The International EPD® System offers a special procedure for examining single

LCA/EPD experts in securing their independence.

▶ [Read more about criteria for accepting verifiers](#)

Individual verifiers in North America

The EPD System welcomes its first North American verifiers, who are based in the USA and Canada. There are two types of verifiers, certification bodies and individual verifiers. An individual verifier has the right to act as an external independent verifier.

▶ [See a list of all verifiers](#)

Newly Registered EPDs

[Mineral paint, San Marco](#) (three products)

[Steel shackles, Vicinay Cadenas](#) (three products)

[Swine vaccine, Pfizer](#)

[Intercity train, Bombardier](#)

[Lighter weight vehicle, Bombardier](#)

[Sportswear fabric, Carvico](#)

[Swimwear fabric, Jersey Lomellina](#)

[Biscuits, Barilla](#) (three products)

[Beer, Carlsberg Italia](#) (four products)

[Kiwi fruit, Zeus Kiwi](#)

[Mineral water, Coop Italia](#)

LATEST PCR ACTIVITIES

New PCRs

There are currently approximately 220 PCRs in our database. To find a specific PCR you can do a [search](#) using keywords or look through one of the 11 categories on our website.

Currently on Open Consultation

[Fruits and nuts](#)

[Carbon capture and storage \(CCS\)](#)

[Olives](#)

Under Development

There are currently 30 PCRs under development. These cover processes relating to e.g. food, buildings, infrastructure and energy use.

▶ [See a list of all PCRs under development](#)

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