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Open consultation of GPI

The general programme instructions (GPI) for the International EPD System are now available for open consultation. The consultation will close 31 August 2012. The new GPI will start to apply in January 2013.

▶ [Please give us your comments](#)

Preparing for EPD 2013 conference

The 2012 EPD conference in Stockholm attracted some 70 delegates from Europe, North America and South America. A larger conference is planned for spring 2013.

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Sustainability declarations

There is a clear market pressure for expanding the scope of EPDs to include social and economic aspects. The new GPI provides that opportunity so we'd like to hear your suggestions on this.

▶ [Discuss sustainability declarations in the EPD Forum](#)

Encouraging subcontractors to use LCA

Spanish steel company Vicinay Cadenas wants its customers to get involved with its life cycle analyses. "We don't limit ourselves to the EPDs we produce but try to encourage our subcontractors to improve their processes too", said Carlos Lopez, presenting Vicinay Cadenas' work on EPDs at the stakeholder conference on 15 May.

▶ [See Vicinay Cadenas' presentation](#)

EPD for Chilean copper

Following global demands on sustainability Chile has started to look at EPDs. "There are clear and publicly available program instructions. We've looked at indicators such as carbon footprint, water footprint, land use as well as social and economic impact", said Claudia Peña, Director of Industrial Sustainability at the Research Centre for Mining and Metallurgy in Chile at the EPD stakeholder conference.

▶ [See Claudia Peña's presentation](#)

GEDnet might launch global PCR registry

In the future all PCRs in the world might become available on the GEDnet website if there's a way of harmonizing different programme operators. Currently some PCRs are overlapping as they are based on different rules.

▶ [Read more about GEDnet](#)

Newly Registered EPDs

▶ [Read about the latest EPDs](#)

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

[Paper chemicals](#)

[Air ducts, substantial material](#)

Under Development

There are currently 29 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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