

What is GEDnet?

- Global Environmental Declarations Network
- founded in 1999
- an international non-profit association of Type III environmental declaration organisations and practitioners



Current actions of GEDnet

- 1. A global PCR Registry
- 2. Participate in the development of ISO 14067 *Carbon footprint of products*
- 3. Next meeting 24 June in Bangkok





- EPD's are intended to allow comparison of the environmental performance of products on a life cycle basis. The key vehicle securing <u>fair</u> <u>comparisons</u> is the PCRs
- Programme operators can facilitate <u>harmonisation</u> when developing a PCR for a product category by considering already available PCR documents in the same product category and in the appropriate market area.



GEDnet develops a global searchable PCR registry



- Basic knowledge about PCR's and their contents
- Better traceability among existing PCR's and CF/PCR's through the development of a searchable PCR registry
- Special attention to product categories where it exists several PCR's for the same product category in different EPD programmes
- Guidance on how to enabel product comparisons
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Avoid duplication of PCR development
Development of a global PCR registry
Easy to track available PCRs on the market

Simplifies PCR development, reviews and updatings

Reduces cost



Challenges for PCR comparisons

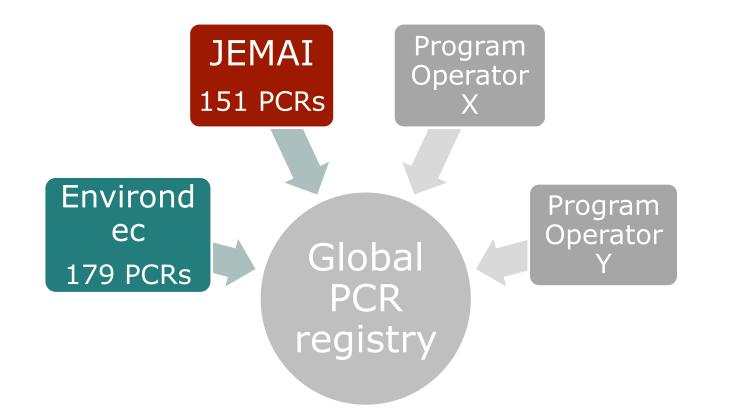


- Program operators rules are sometimes unavailable
- Program operator websites are difficult to navigate
- Different document structures and various levels of details in content
- Uncertainties of reliance of background materials and third-party verifications
- Translations issues

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First step towards a global PCR registry





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Approach



1. Select product classification

2. Group PCRs to product classification

 Identify overlaps and gaps





CPC: Central Product Classification

0	Agriculture forestry, and fishery, and usta
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1	Ores and minerals; electricity, gas and water
2	Food products, beverages, tobacco; textiles, apparel and leather products
3	Other transportable goods, except metal products, machinery and equipment
4	Metal products, machinery and equipment
5	Construction and construction services
6	Distributive trade services; accommodation, food and beverage serving services;
7	Financial and related services; real estate services; and rental and leasing services
8	Business and production services
9	Community, social and security services



Conclusions



- CPC product classification seems to be best option for global PCR registry
- Overlaps exist between PCRs of different program operators: >20 overlaps between Environdec and JEMAI
- PCR registry on GEDnet's homepage



Why join the network?

- To gain knowledge of development of environmental declarations and PCRs from the other members.
- To prevent different PCR documents for the same product group to appear on the market, i.e. to protect the confidence in PCR based programmes.
- To ensure that international standards for carbon footprints of products are well harmonized with the international standards for type III environmental declarations and LCA
- To promote your organization by being associated with a serious and well known association.
- To spread information on your activities and achievements through the GEDnet homepage



Membership

Members

Practitioners of type III environmental declaration programmes as well as single issue environmental declaration programmes based on ISO 14025 and projects with the aim to develop such programmes.

Associates

 LCA practitioners and other experts involved in environmental declarations related activities.



GEDnet Members (May 2012)



Korea EDP and Carbon labelling program, (KEITI)



- Japan Environmental Management Association for Industry (JEMAI)
- Environmental Certification Center of China State Environmental Protection
- Environment and Development Foundation (EDF), Chinese Taipei
 - Institut Bauen und Umwelt e.V. (IBU)



The International EPD system, Sweden



Scientific Certification Systems (SCS), USA



Danish Standards (DS), Denmark



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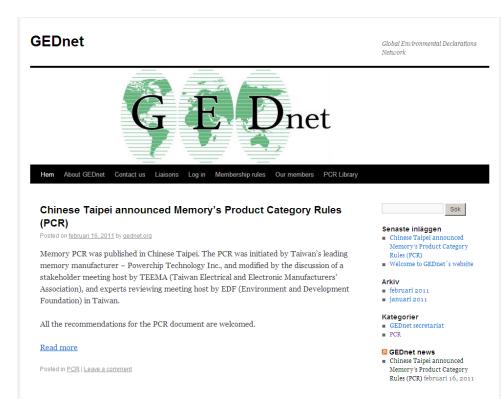
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Our homepage – <u>www.gednet.org</u> (almost 1000 visitors per month)





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