PIPELIFE NORWAY'S EXPERIENCE WITH THE DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT INFORMATION

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WHO WE ARE



PIPELIFE NORWAY:

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WHAT IS AN EPD?





An Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) is a type III environmental declaration that provides **quantified environmental data** for a product, based on life cycle assessment results.





TO ENABLE

COMPARISONS

BETWEEN PRODUCTS FULFILLING THE SAME FUNCTION

ISO 14025



Look at me! I have collected EPDs for all products used at my construction site. Cool!



I want to take data driven decisions and lower my projects environmental footprint. Which products shall I use?





EPD IN PDF: TRUSTED BUT LIMITED

☑ ADVANTAGES OF EPDS IN PDF FORMAT

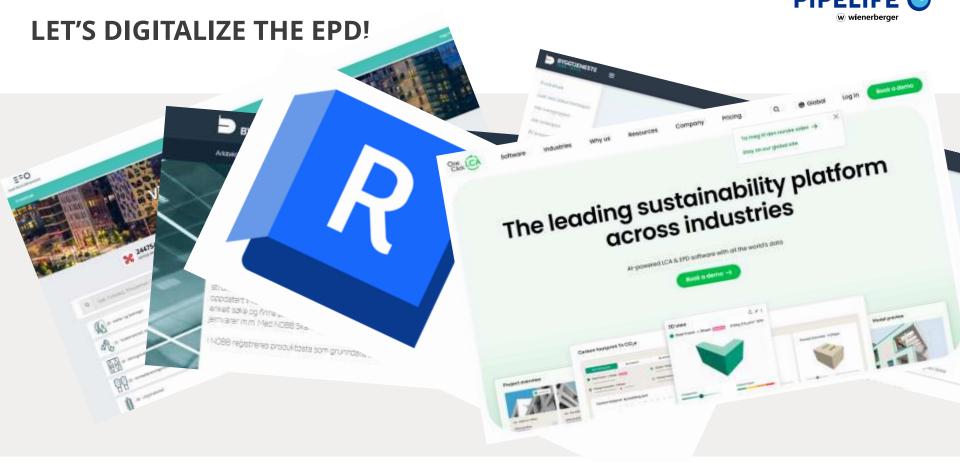
- STANDARDIZED AND VERIFIED
- WIDELY ACCEPTED
- HUMAN-READABLE
- STATIC REFERENCE

✗ DISADVANTAGES OF EPDS IN PDF FORMAT

- NOT MACHINE-READABLE
- MANUAL USE
- LACKS TRACEABILITY IN DIGITAL WORKFLOWS
- POOR UPDATE VISIBILITY
- LIMITED PRECISION
- NOT SCALABLE FOR DIGITAL CONSTRUCTION: HINDERS AUTOMATION, CLIMATE CALCULATIONS, AND LIFECYCLE ASSESSMENTS

DOES EPD AS PDF SERVE THE PURPOSE OF ENABLE COMPARISONS?







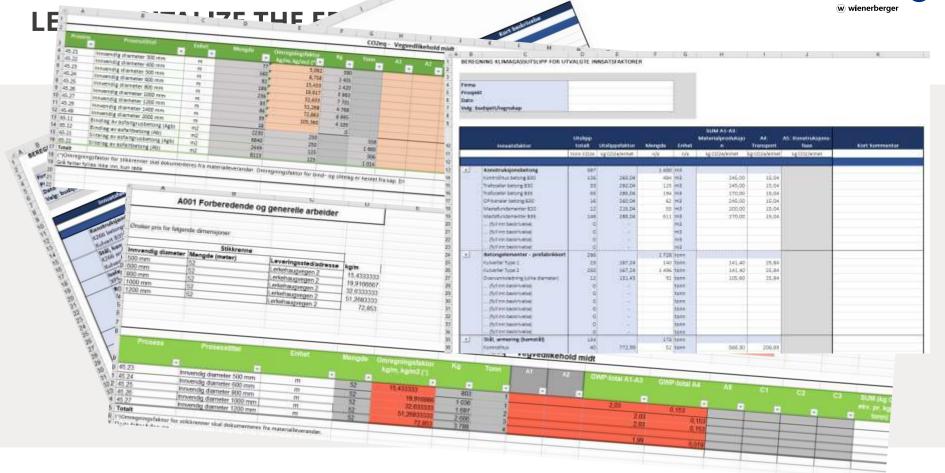


5 databases/factory x 60 factories =

300 databases











10 spreadsheets/factory

x 60 factories =

600 spreadsheets













Climate-neutral Europe by 2050







Sustainable design requirements





Digital Product Passports (DPPs)

Tracking the product lifecycle. Enables data integration in BIM





Construction Products Regulation (CPR) from December 2024

Ensuring compliance, safety, and performance of products in the construction sector



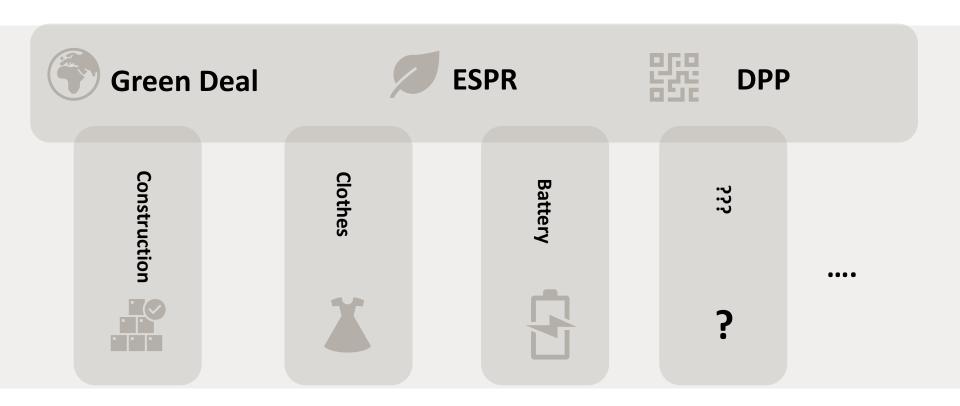


Product standards

Ensuring safe, functional, and compatible products, while also providing a foundation for efficient trade, documentation, and sustainable use



HORIZONTALS AND VERTICALS







(NEW) CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS REGULATION

Implementing digitalization through the use of data dictionary and machinereadable format It is necessary to establish well-functioning information flows, including via electronic means and in a machine-readable format Whereas: (4)

To improve machine readability, it is necessary to establish a common data dictionary based on European standards, a tool to govern and publish the data structure and their meaningful definitions and descriptions for all relevant construction products. For each product family or category, the data dictionary should include all the essential characteristics and other properties as set out in the harmonised technical specifications as well as other information required according to this regulation. A data dictionary harmonised at the EU level allows for the classification and use of structured definitions by both competent national authorities and in the further digitalisation of the construction sector, in particular in Building Information Modelling, building logbooks, digital passports and registries.

Whereas: (84a)





(NEW) CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS REGULATION

Article 75 Construction digital product passport system

The construction digital product passport system shall:

be compatible, interoperable and built on the digital product passport
established by the regulation (EU) .../... [Regulation on eco design for
sustainable products], without compromising interoperability with Building
Information Modelling (BIM) while taking into account the specific
characteristics and requirements related to construction products;

Digital Product Passport

Article 77 General requirements for the product passport

all information included in the product passport shall be based on open standards, developed with an interoperable format and shall be, as appropriate, machine-readable, structured, searchable and transferable



Couldn't care less



So, I can get machine readable product information straight into my software?





WHAT IS A DATA DICTIONARY?

A data dictionary according to ISO 12006-3 is a structured database of metadata that standardizes concepts and properties, ensuring that information in construction projects can be exchanged and understood unambiguously across systems and stakeholders.









TC 442

Standards supporting data dictionaries



TC 59

Describe, author and

maintain properties

EN ISO 23386

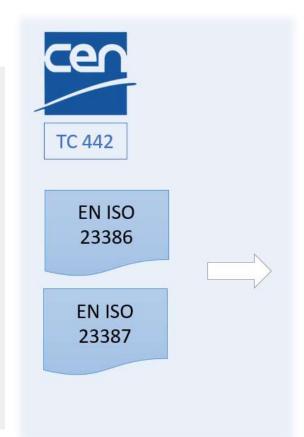
Data model for data dictionaries

EN ISO 12006-3 Data templates

EN ISO 23387











DATA QUALITY VS INFORMATION QUALITY



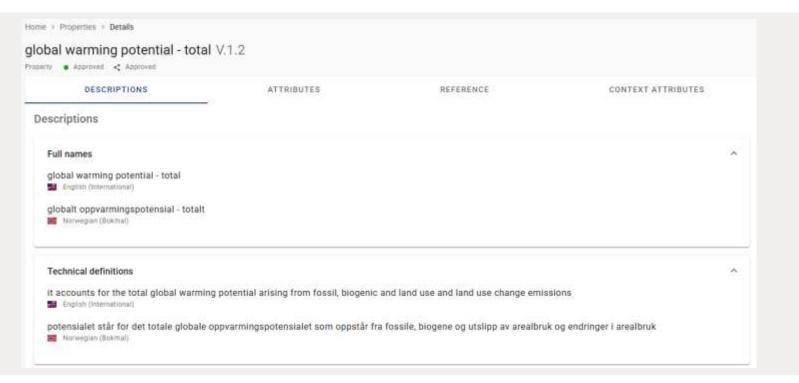




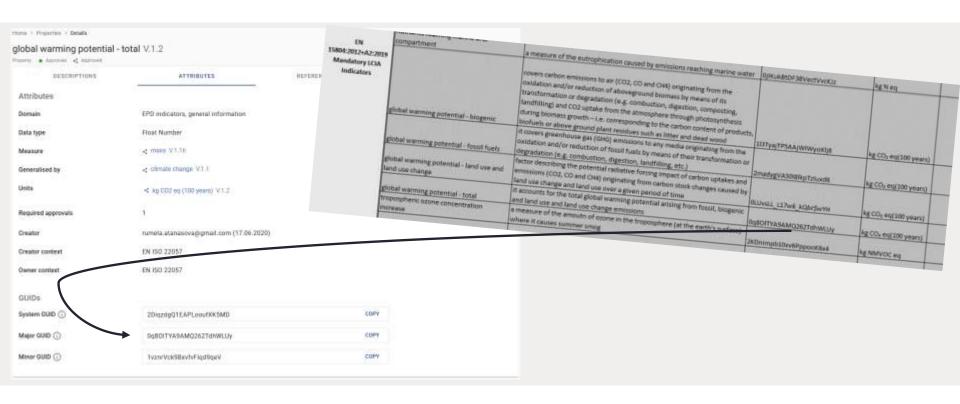




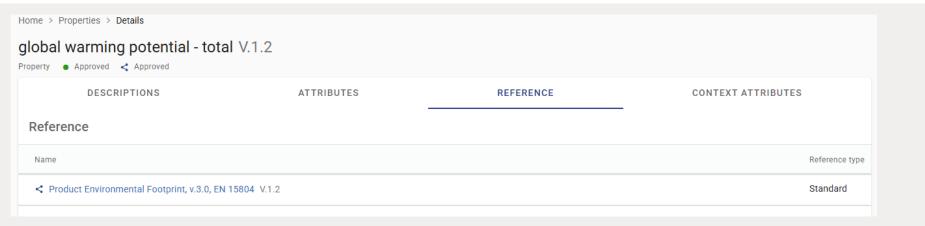




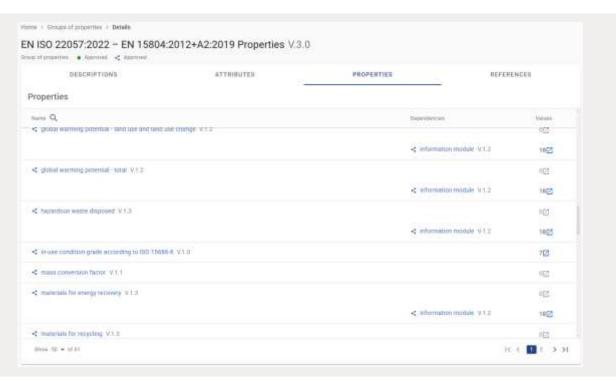














POSSIBILITIES WITH DIGITAL PRODUCT PASSPORT

HELLOOOO!
Can I get machine
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my software?



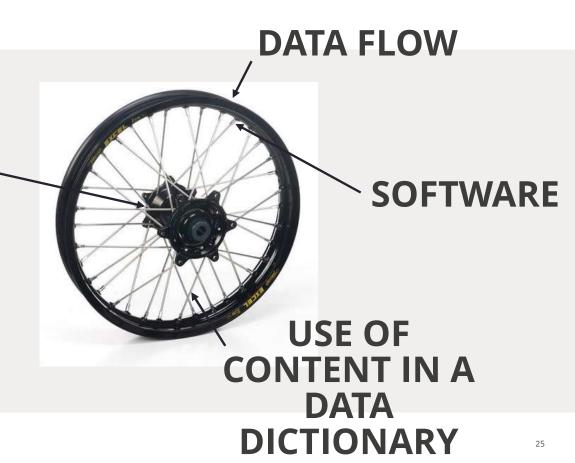
IS SAP "DPP-READY"?

WHAT IS DPP-READY?
WHAT ARE THE POSSIBILITIES?
DOCUMENTATION OR COLLABORATION?
TOGETHER OR ALONE?



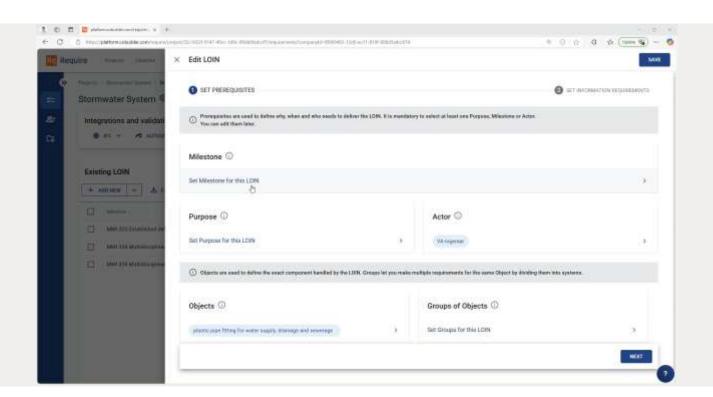
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YOUR
ORGANIZATION
BE A DATA
DICTIONARY.





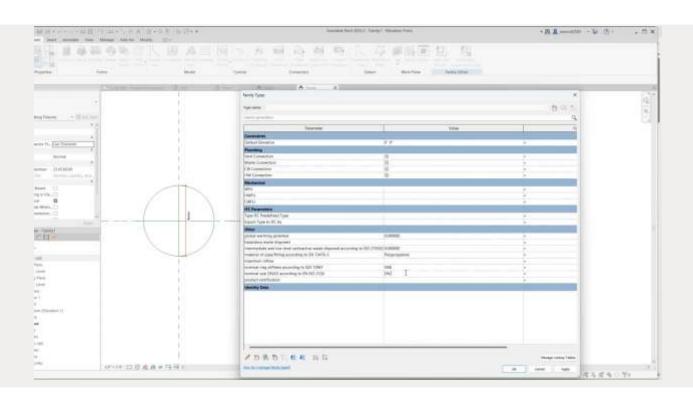
DEMO - APPLICATION IN EARLY PROJECT PHASES



WHY? WHO? WHEN?

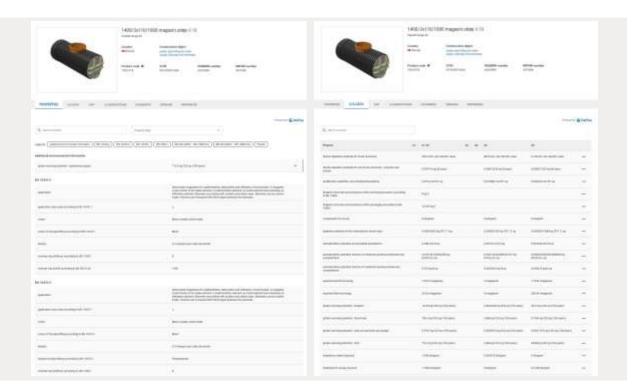


DEMO – APPLICATION IN PROJECT PHASES





DEMO – MANUFACTURER DATA ENRICHMENT





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DPP will hopefully become the mechanism that finally aligns the industry around a common framework for structured, standardized, and interoperable product data.



NO NEW DATA ADDED...





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