

## **ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION**

STEEL PRODUCTS: STRETCHED COIL ELECTROWELDED MESH COLD ROLLED







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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **EPD REFERENCES**

**EPD OWNER:** FERALPI SIDERURGICA SPA - FERALPI GROUP, VIA NICOLA PASINI 11, 25017 LONATO, BRESCIA - ITALY MANUFACTURING PLANT IS LOCATED IN THE SAME SITE

PROGRAM OPERATOR: EPDITALY, VIA GAETANO DE CASTILLIA 10, 20124 MILANO - ITALY

#### INDEPENDENT VERIFICATION

This declaration has been developed referring to the EPDItaly, following the "Regolamento di EPDItaly"; further information and the document itself are available at: www.epditaly.it. EPD document valid within the following geographical area: Italy and other countries worldwide according to sales market conditions.

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### **COMPANY PROFILE**



The Feralpi Group is one of Europe's leading manufacturers of steels for use in building construction. The parent company Feralpi Siderurgica, which was set up in 1968 in Lonato del Garda, near Brescia, has developed steadily over the years to form a group of industries that currently more than two million tonnes of steel and rolled products a year, and has a workforce of 1500 permanent employees in Italy, Europe and North Africa.

In over fifty years of business, the company has branched out to foreign markets and have been able to face the challenge of an increasingly globalized steel industry. Starting from its lengthy tradition in steel manufacturing, the Group has developed according to a strategy of diversification into new products and markets, which has involved not only the internal organisation but also external transactions thanks to the acquisition of numerous enterprises operating in this industry. The Feralpi Group also operates in the field of special steels, cold working, structural steelwork, the environment and fish farming, not to mention financial activities and investments.

Since its very origins, Feralpi has focused not only on producing the best steel grades for building construction but also on doing it in the most sustainable possible way, which has involved reducing energy consumption and emissions by using the latest technology available or developing in-house new solutions covered by patents as a result of intensive innovation and research.

### Feralpi, an international diversified group (2021)



2.62

Steel production



2.47

Hot rolled production



**1.37** million tons

Cold rolled products and derivatives



1900 million euros

Turnover



59%

Turnover abroad



1749

Employees (2021)



**58** million euros

Technical investments





### **SCOPE AND TYPE OF EPD**

#### THE APPROACH USED IN THIS EPD IS "CRADLE TO GATE WITH OPTIONS" ONE

#### TABLE OF MODULES

PRODUCT STAGE  CONSTRUCTION PROCESS STAGE				USE STAGE							END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARIES	
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from the gate to the site	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De- construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse - Recovery Recycling potential
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	В3	B4	B5	В6	В7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
Х	Х	Χ	Х	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х

**SOFTWARE:** SimaPro ver. 9.4.0.2 **MAIN DATABASE:** Ecoinvent 3.8

**REPORT LCA:** Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) applied to steel mill products and derivatives for EPD® purposes - final report

**GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE OF THE EPD:** World according to sales market conditions

**TYPE OF EPD:** specific for cold rolled steel products





### THE PRODUCT

Electro-welded mesh is obtained from drawn wire (5 mm) or hot-rolled coil (6-16 mm), by joining the longitudinal and transversal wires using electric resistance welding to form a panel of the desired dimensions.

Stretched coil is extremely easy to use with a high quality content. The mechanical properties of weldable hotrolled coils, combined with a compact packaging size which is nevertheless of considerable weight, facilitate storage in confined spaces.

The special coil-on-coil processing ensures accurate and faster coil unwinding, giving considerable increases in output. The reduced number of daily changes results in fewer downtimes, less scrap and a higher level of safety.

In general, the main materials of the final product are: *iron* > 96%; alloy elements (e.g. manganese, silicon, carbon) 2% c.a.; other elements (e.g. copper, nickel, chromium) complementary to 100%.

**Declared unit** for the study is **one tonne of cold rolled products**.



INFORMATION	DESCRIPTION
PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION	Steel products: stretched coil - electrowelded mesh - cold rolled
PRODUCT FEATURES	Stretched coil: Cross section range 6 < Ø < 20 mm  Weight from 2 500 to 5 000 kg per coil  Total wire length up to 22 000 m  Electrowelded mesh: Diameters from 4.5 to 12 mm  Weight from 666 to 2 200 kg  Cold rolled: Diameters from 5 to 10 mm,  Weight from 1 800 to 5 000 kg per coil
	Steel coming from post and pre consumer steel scraps produced in electric arc furnace route (EAF) and further hot and cold rolling process.
	Adherence and surface geometry $f_R$ or $f_p$ :  - for $5 \le \emptyset \le 6$ mm $f_R$ or $f_p$ 0.035  - for $6 < \emptyset \le 12$ mm $f_R$ or $f_p$ 0.040  - for $\emptyset > 12$ mm $f_R$ or $f_p$ 0.056
PRODUCT PROPERTIES (UNDER EN10080:2005)	Weldability: C <sub>eq</sub> < 0.52
	Typical yield stress: Re > 400 MPa and/or Rp <sub>0.2</sub> < 700 MPa
	Elongation: Agt > 5%
	Successful in bend and rebend test
	Successful in strength test and oligocyclic strength test
	Total amount of products covered by this EPD, year 2021: 688 328 t
	Total production, for selling purpose, year 2021: 1 401 914 t
	On-site air emission control system
PLANT FEATURES	On-site system to recycle process water
	On-site system to recycle water used in process
	In/out materials/products and melting process monitored to prevent nuclear radiation
	In house photovoltaic plant of 625 kW peak capacity operating since 2011





### **ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE**

The detailed environmental performance (in terms of use of resources, pollutant emissions and waste generation) is presented for the three phases, <u>Upstream</u>, <u>Core</u> and <u>Downstream</u> and related sub-phases (A1-A2-A3-A4-C1-C2-C3-C4-D). The numbers reported in the following tables are the outcome of rounding. For this reason total results could slightly differ from the sum of contributions of the different phases. The energy sources behind the electricity grid used in manufacturing is the italian residual mix 0,457 kg CO2 eq./kWh (AIB report May 2022) with Life Cycle Engineering post-elaborations.

#### TABLE OF MODULES

	UNITS / D.U.	UPSTREAM CORE P		ROCESS		I					
POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS		A1	A2	A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	TOTAL	D
GWP	kg CO₂ eq	3.74E+02	1.21E+02	1.39E+02	6.21E+01	3.82E+01	2.44E+01	1.93E+00	7.32E-01	7.61E+02	4.24E+02
GWP,f	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	3.74E+02	1.21E+02	1.39E+02	6.21E+01	3.82E+01	2.44E+01	1.92E+00	7.32E-01	7.61E+02	4.24E+02
GWP,b	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	1.96E-01	8.14E-02	2.09E-01	9.43E-03	2.69E-03	1.44E-03	5.78E-03	9.87E-05	5.06E-01	6.94E-02
GWP,luluc	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	8.12E-02	1.33E-03	5.99E-02	2.87E-03	9.43E-04	1.99E-04	3.98E-03	2.49E-05	1.50E-01	1.79E-02
ODP	kg CFC11 eq	6.49E-05	2.84E-05	3.01E-06	1.47E-05	8.56E-06	5.85E-06	7.18E-08	1.52E-07	1.26E-04	1.25E-05
AP	mol H+ eq	1.48E+00	7.01E-01	3.10E-01	3.48E-01	4.12E-01	1.42E-01	9.62E-03	7.54E-03	3.41E+00	1.59E+00
EP,f	kg P eq	6.85E-03	1.91E-04	3.03E-03	1.41E-04	2.69E-05	1.26E-05	9.79E-05	2.60E-06	1.03E-02	1.74E-02
EP,m	kg N eq	2.80E-01	2.76E-01	9.83E-02	1.36E-01	1.85E-01	5.69E-02	1.77E-03	3.28E-03	1.04E+00	3.09E-01
EP,t	mol N eq	3.15E+00	3.03E+00	1.09E+00	1.50E+00	2.03E+00	6.25E-01	1.96E-02	3.59E-02	1.15E+01	3.58E+00
POCP	kg NMVOC eq	9.13E-01	7.90E-01	2.76E-01	3.91E-01	5.54E-01	1.62E-01	5.31E-03	1.00E-02	3.10E+00	1.90E+00
ADPE*	kg Sb eq	5.63E-05	5.12E-06	7.96E-05	2.73E-06	1.97E-06	1.07E-06	5.75E-08	3.53E-08	1.47E-04	6.77E-03
ADPF*	MJ	7.79E+03	1.70E+03	8.85E+02	8.78E+02	5.17E+02	3.41E+02	3.27E+01	9.73E+00	1.22E+04	5.21E+03
WDP*	m³	4.40E+01	3.15E+00	1.11E+02	8.74E-02	1.36E-01	-5.84E-02	2.93E-01	3.94E-03	1.58E+02	5.87E+01

**GWP** Global warming potential, total

**GWP,f** Global warming potential, fossil

**GWP,b** Global warming potential, biogenic

**GWP, luluc** Global warming potential, land use & land use change

**ODP** Ozone depletion potential

**AP** Acidification potential

**EP,f** Eutrophication potential, freshwater

**EP,m** Eutrophication potential, marine

**EP,t** Eutrophication potential, terrestrial

**POCP** Photochemical ozone creation potential

**ADPE** Abiotic depletion potential minerals & metals

**ADPF** Abiotic depletion potential fossil fuels

**WDP** Water use deprivation potential

Additional environmental impact indicators are computed in the LCA report but not reported in the EPD.

\*The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator.





#### **RESOURCE USE PER DECLARED UNIT**

USE OF		UPSTREAM	CORE P	ROCESS							
RENEWABLE	UNITS / D.U.	A1	A2	А3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	TOTAL	D
RESOURCES		₫.		ııî				ııî			440
PERE	[MJ]	4.65E+02	2.27E+01	9.58E+01	5.07E+00	8.54E-01	5.35E-01	3.08E+00	4.08E-02	5.93E+02	3.02E+02
PERM	[MJ]	0.00E+00									
PERT	[MJ]	4.65E+02	2.27E+01	9.58E+01	5.07E+00	8.54E-01	5.35E-01	3.08E+00	4.08E-02	5.93E+02	3.02E+02
PENRE	[MJ]	7.83E+03	1.75E+03	7.47E+02	9.04E+02	5.33E+02	3.51E+02	3.30E+01	1.00E+01	1.22E+04	5.23E+03
PENRM	[MJ]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.51E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.51E+02	0.00E+00
PENRT	[MJ]	7.83E+03	1.75E+03	8.98E+02	9.04E+02	5.33E+02	3.51E+02	3.30E+01	1.00E+01	1.23E+04	5.23E+03
SM	[kg]	1.12E+03	0.00E+00	1.12E+03	0.00E+00						
RSF	[MJ]	0.00E+00									
NRSF	[MJ]	0.00E+00									
FW	[m³]	1.26E+00	9.58E-02	2.84E+00	2.04E-02	8.93E-03	9.58E-04	1.41E-02	2.08E-04	4.24E+00	1.15E+00

**PERE** Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials

**PERM** Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials

**PERT** Total use of renewable primary energy resources

PENRE Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials

**PENRM** Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials

**PENRT** Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources

**SM** Use of secondary raw materials

**RSF** Use of renewable secondary fuels

**NRSF** Use of non-renewable secondary fuels

**FW** Use of net fresh water





#### **OUTPUT FLOWS AND WASTE CATEGORIES PER DECLARED UNIT**

	UNITS /	UPSTREAM	CORE PROCESS								
WASTE GENERATION		A1	A2	A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	TOTAL	D
••• AND TREATMENT		<u>\$</u>		441				ul	2.200		44
HWD	[kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.95E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.95E+00	0.00E+00
NHWD	[kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.58E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.58E+01	0.00E+00
RWD	[kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
CRU	[kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
MFR	[kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.81E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.81E+02	0.00E+00
MER	[kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
EE	[MJ]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00







### **CALCULATION RULES**



The environmental burden of the product has been calculated according to EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 and PCR ICMQ-001/15 v3.

This declaration is a cradle to gate with options EPD type, based on the application of Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) methodology to the whole life-cycle system.

In the whole LCA model, infrastructures and production equipments are not taken into account.

Cold rolled steel products at plant level were described by using specific data from manufacturing facility (Lonato del Garda, BS, Italy) for year 2021.

Customized LCA questionnaires were used to gather in-depth information about all aspects of the production system (for example, raw materials contents and specifications, pre treatments, process efficiencies, air and water emissions, waste management), in order to provide a complete picture of the environmental burden of the system from raw materials supply (A1) to Transport (A2) and Manufacturing (A3). Therefore, in nominal installation and operating conditions, no emissions to air nor to water shall occur.

The use phase was not considered according to EN:15804 and PCR ICMQ-001/15 v 3, while transport to final destination (A4) and end of life (C1-C2-C3-C4-D) were considered.

According to ISO 14040 and 14044, allocation is avoided whenever possible by dividing the system into sub-systems.

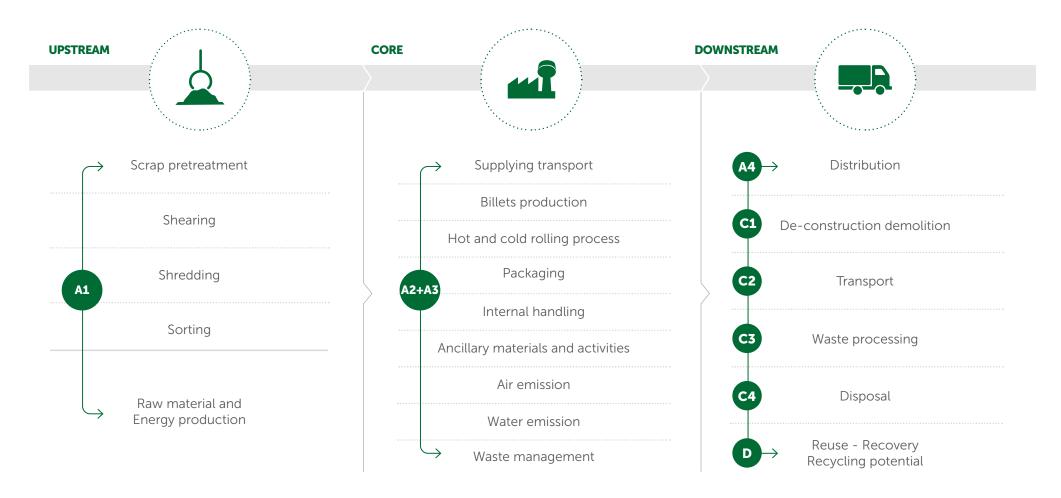
Data quality has been assessed and validated during data collection process.

According to EN:15804 the applied cut-off criterion for mass and energy flows is 1%.





# SCENARIOS AND ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION



Broad scheme of cold rolled steel production, in which the main activities included in the system boundaries are listed and divided in the three subsystems: **UPSTREAM Process, CORE Module and DOWNSTREAM Process**.





### **UPSTREAM PROCESS**



**CORE** 



**DOWNSTREAM** 



Steel scrap collection (shredded both in external and internal plants) and other raw materials production

Specific secondary materials pre-treatments,



A1 - Raw Materials Supply



Scheme of the considered system boundaries (Upstream processes)

Generation of electricity and other fuels from primary and from secondary energy resources (excluding waste treatments)

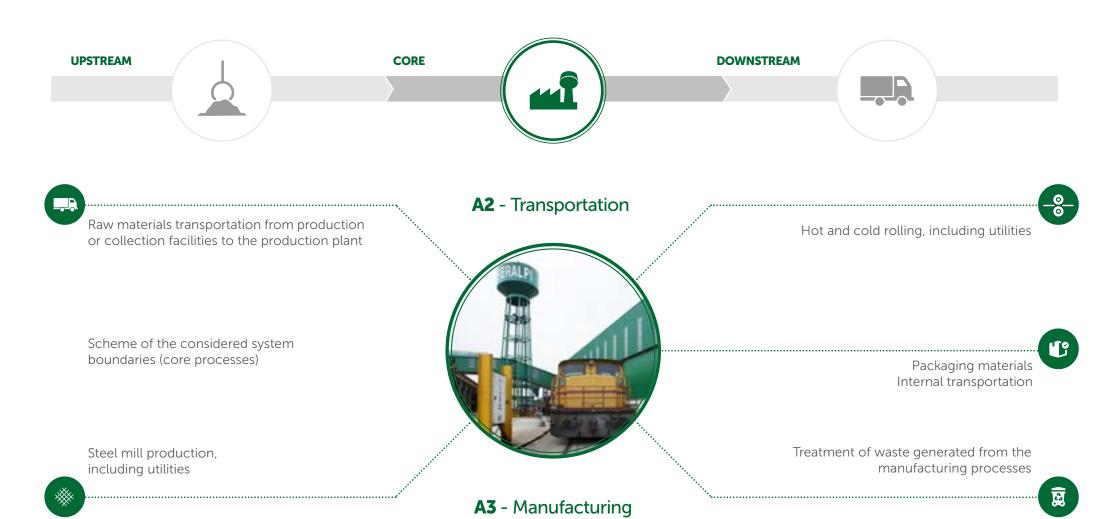




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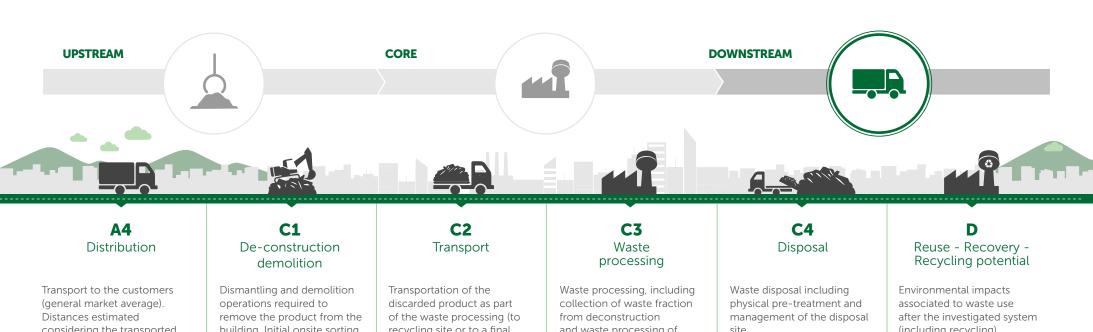


### **CORE PROCESS**





### **DOWNSTREAM PROCESS**



considering the transported quantities and the distances from Lonato del Garda (BS) plant to the client. FFinal products are delivered to many national (51% of the total sold product) and international areas such as France (around 56%), Switzerland (32%), mentioning the main countries. The means of transport used to deliver steel bars and coils are truck and freight ship. On average, finished product is transported for 443 km by road, 55 by train and 7 km by

building. Initial onsite sorting of the materials is included as well.

recycling site or to a final disposal site).

and waste processing of material flows intended for reuse, recycling and energy recovery.

site.

(including recycling).

In this module impacts arising from steel recycling are accounted, including avoided impacts associated to primary steel production. The result is expressed as net value between direct impact (i.e. recycling steel in EAF furnace) and avoided impact (i.e. producing steel from iron ore in BOF furnace).





## OTHER OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

Feralpi plant in Lonato del Garda (BS) is equipped with prevention and reduction systems for air emissions, a recirculating loop cooling to minimize water consumption and a waste management plan to prevent and reduce waste generation,

In accordance with general EPD® requirements the LCA study used specific, generic and proxy data. These last data are contributing to the environmental indicators less than 10%.

OTHER ENV	/IRONMENTAL S	UNIT	UP	CORE	DOWN	TOTAL
	Dust from electric-arc furnace	[g]	-	2.23	-	2.23
AIR	CO <sub>2</sub> from electric-arc furnace	[kg]	-	43.36	-	43.36
EMISSIONS	NOx from hot rolling process	[g]	-	38.29	-	38.29
	SOx from hot rolling process	[g]	-	0.30	-	0.30
WATER EMISSIONS	Total Suspended Solids	[g]	-	1.33	-	1.33

Other environmental indicators per 1 t of cold-rolled reinforcing steel

Recycled content of cold rolled products = 96% (calculated according to ICMQ verified internal procedure)







### **REFERENCES**

- EN 15804:2012+A2:2019
- ISO 14040
- ISO 14044
- Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) applied to steel mill products and derivatives for EPD® purposes final report
- EPDItaly General Programme Information, v5.2
- PCR ICMQ-001/15 v 3



