

The [European Union \(EU\)](#) **eco-label** is awarded to products and services with reduced environmental impacts. It is a voluntary scheme laid down in [Regulation \(EC\) No 1980/2000](#) and administered by the European eco-labelling board (EUEB), which includes representatives from industry, environmental protection groups and consumer organisations. The scheme is backed by the [European Commission](#), all EU Member States and the other countries of the [European Economic Area \(EEA\)](#) and has been in operation since 1993.

Further information

- [European Commission - Environment - Ecolabel](#)
- [Regulation \(EC\) No 1980/2000](#) of 17 July 2000 (legal text)

Related concepts

- [Eco-management and audit scheme \(EMAS\)](#)

Statistical data

- [SDG 12 - Responsible consumption and production](#)