



EU Ecolabel and GPP updates



EUEB meeting - 18 April 2024

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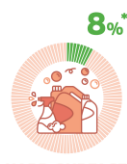


2 743 licences (+6% in 6 months) **95 758 products** (+8% in 6 months)

Leading countries (products): Spain, Italy and France

EU ECOLABEL CONTINUES TO GROW!

TOP AWARDED PRODUCT GROUPS



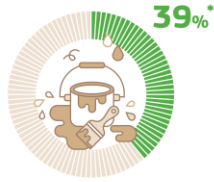
**HARD SURFACE
CLEANING
PRODUCTS**



TEXTILES



**TISSUE PAPER AND
TISSUE PRODUCTS**

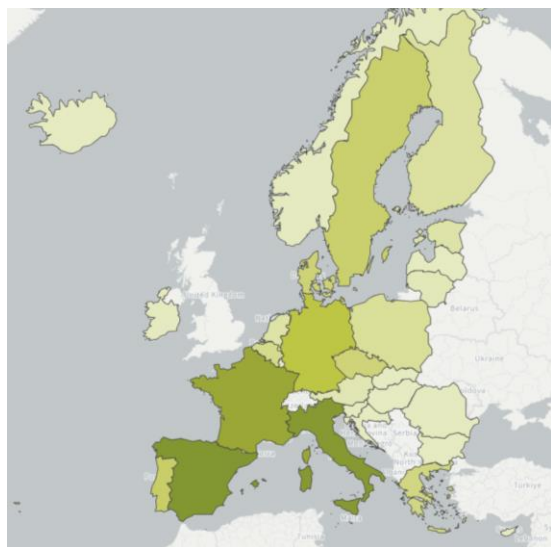
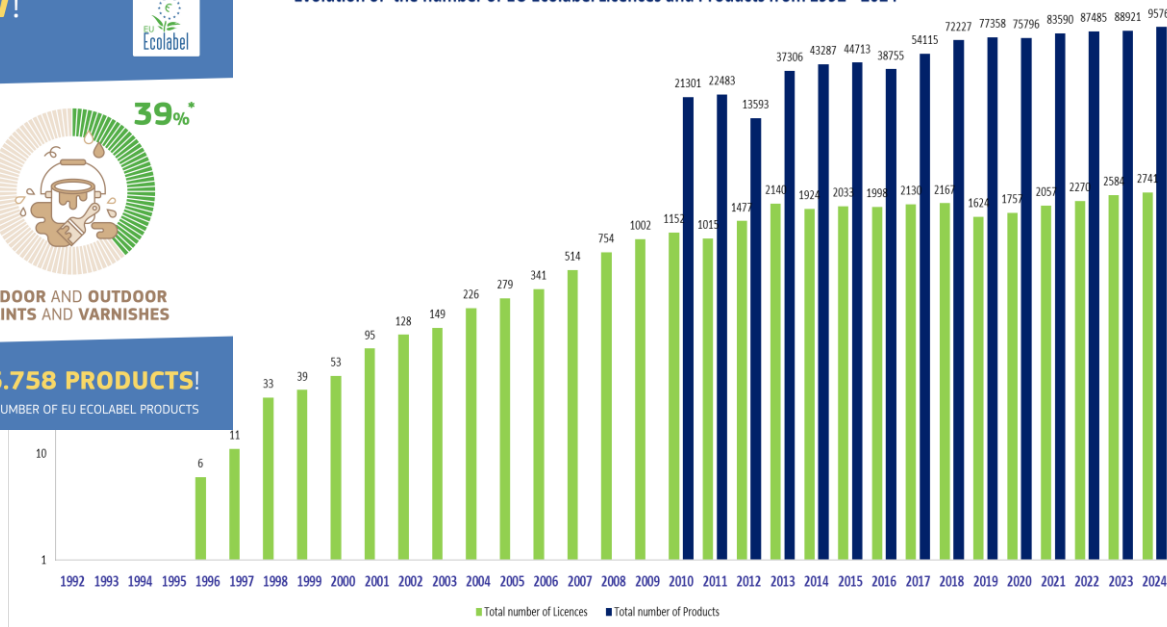


**INDOOR AND OUTDOOR
PAINTS AND VARNISHES**

NOW WITH A TOTAL OF **95.758 PRODUCTS!**

*SHARE AMONG THE TOTAL NUMBER OF EU ECOLABEL PRODUCTS

Evolution of the number of EU Ecolabel Licences and Products from 1992 - 2024



Highest growing product groups over the past 6 months (in terms of licences)



+85 licences

Tourist accommodation services



+17 licences

Cosmetic products



+14 licences

Printed paper, stationery paper and paper carrier bag

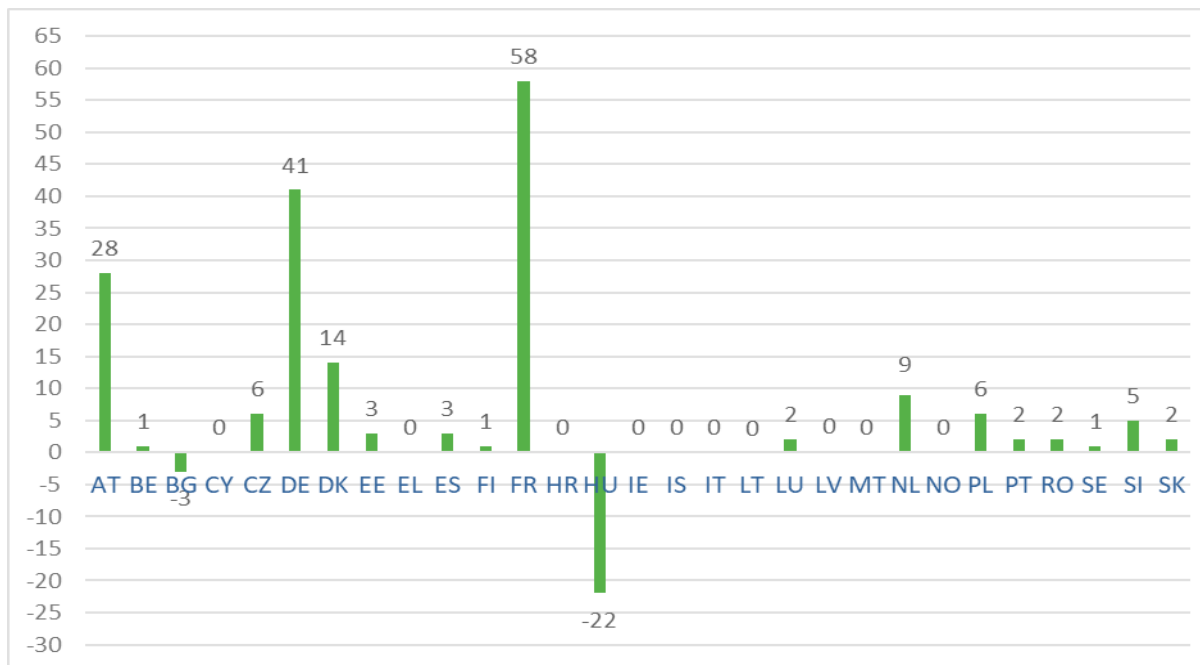


+9 licences

Furniture



Variation n° licences since November 2023, per CB



Extra-EEA:



108 licenses = 4% of total (2 636 products= 3% of tot)

Mainly awarded by: **AT, DK, IE**

PGs: Textiles (25%), HSCP (16%), Lubricants (13%), TAS (11%)

From: *Montenegro, Pakistan, Swizerland, Turkey, UK, US* 3

EU Ecolabel criteria State of Play and relevant updates



Adopted Legal acts



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Commission Decision setting EU Ecolabel criteria for growing media & soil improvers– **Corrigendum to align the content of recital 11 (30.6.2030) with the validity date of the criteria (31.12.2030)**

[Published on OJ on 13.03.2024](#)

On-going revisions 1/2

PG	2023-2024	Next steps
<p>6 Detergents (exp Dec 2026)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision started 1Q 2023 • Preliminary-Tech reports: delivered 20.02.2024 • 1st AHWG: 12-13 March 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments to PR, TR1: until 19.04.2024 • TR2, draft: Sept 2024 • 2nd AHWG: end-Oct 2024
<p>Paints and varnishes (exp Dec 2025)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision started 2Q 2023 • Preliminary-Tech reports: delivered 09.04.2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st AHWG: 07.05.2024 • Comments to PR, TR1: until 22.05.2024 • 2nd AHWG : Q4 2024


On-going and planned revisions 2/2

PG	2023-2024	Next steps
<p>Textiles (exp Dec 2025)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary work for ESPR-EU Ecolabel-GPP started (initial questionnaire in spring 2023). • 1st ESPR/EU Ecolabel/GPP stakeholder consultation meeting in March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work on going • All CBs and interested stakeholders <u>to register</u> on the <u>Textile website</u>
<p>Tourist Accommodation (exp 30/06/2025)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On-going PEFCRs: • TS started its work in Feb 24 • On-going work on scope, the functional unit and reference flows. • More info: PEFCR website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEFCR: first public consultation in Sept 24. End: Spring 2026 • Revision of EU Ecolabel criteria to start in 2025 • Vote on Prolongation 7

Upcoming Legal acts

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Next steps



Commission Decision amending the validity of certain EU Ecolabel criteria (Graphic Paper, Tissue Paper, Lubricants, TAS) – **Prolongation of the validity of the criteria proposed as follows:**



Tourist Accommodation: 31.12.2027
Graphic Paper/Tissue Paper: 31.12.2028
Lubricants: 31.12.2028



- Assessment of the criteria by the JRC presented today.
- Written vote in Q2 2024



Other relevant updates

NEW Detergent Ingredient Database (DID List-2023)

PUBLISHED ON 19.03.2024

Developed in collaboration with Nordic Ecolabelling

Relevant for **Detergents, Cosmetic Products, Animal Care products.**

The revised DID-list includes the following documents:

[DID-list 2023, Part A](#)

[DID-list 2023, Part B](#)

[Additional Info Document 2023](#)



Updated User Manuals, application forms/calculation sheets and relevant declarations for the **detergent product groups, cosmetic products and animal care products** are available, on www.ecolabel.eu , under the **“User Manuals”** links, of each relevant product group.

2023 DID List (and related updated application forms/calculation sheets) **shall be used for all new applications/licences. For modifications to existing licences**, already assessed under the DID list 2016, **either the previous 2016 application forms/calculation sheets/declarations or the new ones (2023 version) can be used.**

Webinar for stakeholders planned for **23 MAY 2024** (invitations will follow)



On-going revision of:

- **ISO 14021 (Environmental Labelling)**
- **ISO 14024 (Ecolabels)**
- **ISO 14025 (EPDs)**

- All three are at the Working Group level (WG 10, WG 11, and WG 12 respectively).
- Discussion of the 2nd working Drafts at the April WG meetings in Sweden
- Following these meetings, the goal is to progress the drafts to the Committee Draft (CD) stage.
- Publication expected in late 2025
- GEN established a 'mirror group' to provide comments

Meetings





CB Forum, EUEB (and RegCom tbc)

NOVEMBER
week 48
(on-line)

26/11: **CB Forum**

27-28/11: **EUEB**

~~**29/11:** **Reg Com (tbc)**~~



AHWGs (*virtual*)

Detergents



2nd half-October

Paints & Varnishes



1st AHWG: 07.05.2024
2nd AHWG: Q4 2024

ESPR/EU Ecolabel/GPP stakeholder meetings (*virtual*)

Textiles



TBC – check on the [Product Bureau Project Plan webpage](#)

Meetings 2025 TBC



CB Forum, EUEB (and RegCom tbc)

Spring meetings

Full meeting (in presence) +
Ad hoc meeting on Paints (virtual)

Feb/March
June

Autumn meetings (on-line)

Week 47 **or**
Week 48

19-22/11/2025
26-29/11/2025

Main ongoing EU Ecolabel activities



- Increasing EU Ecolabel synergies with existing EU Initiatives
- Developing EU Ecolabel partnerships with retailers and other strategic networks/multipliers (e.g. EEN, networks of public/private procurers, tourism market actors, etc.)
- Implementation of the EU Ecolabel Strategic Communication Work-Plan

GPP UPDATES



Manuals for public authorities for the use of EU Ecolabel criteria in GPP

Under finalisation – publication June 2024

- **Printed/stationery paper:** *finalised – pending publication*
- **Graphic paper:** *finalised – pending publication*
- **Tissue paper:** *finalised – pending publication*
- **Hard covering products:** *Preparation for publication*
- **Absorbent hygiene products:** *Preparation for publication*

Work in progress

- **Reusable menstrual cups**



Update on EU GPP voluntary criteria

Currently under revision/development

Buildings: Consultation of GPP AG members ongoing. To be followed by ISC.



Possible future revisions

Future revisions concerning voluntary GPP criteria tbd

Mandatory GPP



Legislation

- Energy Efficiency Directive (OJEU 20.09.2023): Exemplary role of public sector
- Batteries Regulation (OJEU 28.07.2023): Art. 85 on GPP mandatory requirements

Legislation provisionally agreed empowering the Commission to adopt downstream acts setting GPP mandatory requirements

- PPWR (11.2022)
- ESPR (03.2022)
- Construction Products Regulation (03.2022)
- Energy Performance of buildings Directive (12.2021)

GPP – relevant developments

- Looking for opportunities for promotion of EU Ecolabel in GPP in EU initiatives (such as Circular Cities and Regions Initiatives, Green Capitals, etc.)
- Submitted application for EU Ecolabel criteria for textiles to be included in US EPA “Recommendations of Specifications, Standards, and Ecolabels for Federal Purchasing”





- LIFE - Calls for proposals:

Opening: **18/4/2024**

Deadline: LIFE 'standard' project proposals: **19/9/2024**

LIFE 'strategic integrated projects': **24/9/2024**



More info available at:

[LIFE project data base](#), [LIFE newsletter](#), [Factsheets and publications](#)

- TAIEX - Technical assistance and Information Exchange:

(workshops/expert missions/study visits)



[Application form](#)

- Short document on EU Ecolabel funding opportunities (including for communication) under development

Thank you!

