

# ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

HOT-DRAWN REINFORCING STEEL FOR CONCRETE IN BARS AND COILS







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#### **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

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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 (2020)



2.48

Steel production



2.28 million tons

Hot rolled production



**1.31** millions tons

Cold rolled productis and derivatives



1238 million euros

Turnover



63%

Turnover abroad



1710

Employees (2020)



**55.6** 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			CONSTR PROCES	ONSTRUCTION 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
MODULE	A1	A2	А3	A4	A5	B1	В2	В3	В4	В5	В6	В7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Module declared	Х	Χ	Χ	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	X
Geography	ΙΤ	ΙΤ	ΙΤ	WLD	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	WLD	WLD	WLD	WLD	WLD
Specific data used		> 90%	••••••	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-
Variation-products	NO	T RELEVA	ANT	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	-
Variation-sites	NO	T RELEVA	ANT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**SOFTWARE:** SimaPro ver. 9.1.1.1 **MAIN DATABASE:** Ecoinvent 3.6

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 hot rolled steel products





## THE PRODUCT

Rebar is the core of reinforced steel structures. Ribs provide improved adherence to the concrete. Special chemical analysis and a monitored production process give the rebar excellent mechanical properties for use in severe or harsh applications, requiring a high standard of safety for private and industrial buildings and large motorway, railway and airport infrastructures.

Thanks to its ductility properties, Feralpi reinforcing steel in bar complies fully with anti-seismic requirements.

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 hot rolled products**.



INFORMATION	DESCRIPTION
PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION	Hot-drawn reinforcing steel for concrete in bars and coils
PRODUCT FEATURES	Bars: Diameters from 6 mm to 40 mm Length from 6 m to 24 m Weight up to 2 200 kg per bundle Coils: Diameters from 6 mm to 16 mm Weight from 1 800 to 5 000 kg
	Steel coming from post and pre consumer steel scraps produced in electric arc furnace route (EAF) and further hot 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> < 600 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 2020: 642 804 t
	Total production, for selling purpose, year 2020: 1 225 240 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.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS PER DECLARED UNIT**

TABLE OF MODULES		UPSTREAM	CORE PROCESS								
POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS	UNITS / D.U.	A1	A2	А3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	TOTAL	D
IMPACI3				<b>₽</b>				<b>₽</b>			<u> </u>
GWP	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	4,82E+02	2,08E+02	1,11E+02	6,92E+01	3,82E+01	2,44E+01	1,98E+00	7,32E-01	9,35E+02	2,92E+02
GWP,f	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	4,82E+02	2,08E+02	1,11E+02	6,92E+01	3,82E+01	2,44E+01	1,97E+00	7,32E-01	9,35E+02	2,92E+02
GWP,b	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	2,01E-01	9,11E-02	1,61E-01	3,72E-03	2,57E-03	1,32E-03	5,89E-03	9,68E-05	4,66E-01	6,23E-02
GWP,luluc	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	4,28E-02	2,14E-03	5,03E-02	5,76E-04	5,59E-04	1,87E-04	4,06E-03	1,80E-05	1,01E-01	2,99E-02
GWP,ghg	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	4,82E+02	2,08E+02	1,11E+02	6,92E+01	3,82E+01	2,44E+01	1,97E+00	7,32E-01	9,35E+02	2,92E+02
ODP	kg CFC11 eq	7,56E-05	4,80E-05	2,71E-06	1,58E-05	8,60E-06	5,72E-06	7,25E-08	1,53E-07	1,57E-04	9,04E-06
АР	mol H+ eq	1,80E+00	1,20E+00	2,97E-01	8,87E-01	4,12E-01	1,41E-01	9,86E-03	7,54E-03	4,75E+00	1,10E+00
EP,f	kg P eq	9,55E-03	2,68E-04	2,85E-03	3,89E-05	2,86E-05	1,34E-05	1,03E-04	2,64E-06	1,29E-02	1,24E-02
EP,m	kg N eq	3,45E-01	4,77E-01	9,35E-02	2,66E-01	1,85E-01	5,69E-02	1,80E-03	3,28E-03	1,43E+00	2,24E-01
EP,t	mol N eq	3,87E+00	5,24E+00	1,03E+00	2,94E+00	2,03E+00	6,24E-01	2,00E-02	3,59E-02	1,58E+01	2,45E+00
POCP	kg NMVOC eq	1,13E+00	1,36E+00	2,62E-01	7,55E-01	5,54E-01	1,62E-01	5,40E-03	1,00E-02	4,25E+00	1,30E+00
ADPE	kg Sb eq	5,77E-05	8,66E-06	9,92E-05	2,38E-06	1,90E-06	1,05E-06	3,74E-08	3,38E-08	1,71E-04	4,55E-03
ADPF	MJ	8,10E+03	2,97E+03	6,99E+02	9,66E+02	5,29E+02	3,49E+02	2,55E+01	9,75E+00	1,36E+04	2,40E+03
WDP	m³	4,33E+01	2,59E+00	9,48E+01	-2,11E-01	1,08E-01	-7,44E-02	2,86E-01	3,42E-03	1,41E+02	2,57E+01

**GWP** Global warming potential, total

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

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

 $\textbf{GWP,luluc} \text{ Global warming potential, land use } \vartheta \text{ land use change}$ 

**GWP,ghg** Global warming potential, excluding biogenic uptake, emission and storage

**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

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

ADPE Abiotic depletion potential minerals & metals\*

**ADPF** Abiotic depletion potential fossil fuels\*

**WDP** Water use deprivation potential\*

\*: The results of these environmental impact indicators 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	UNITS / D.U.	UPSTREAM	CORE P	ROCESS							
RENEWABLE MATERIAL RESOURCES		A1	A2	A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	TOTAL	D ***
PERE	[MJ]	4,37E+02	2,35E+01	7,98E+01	1,39E+00	8,40E-01	5,14E-01	3,02E+00	4,06E-02	5,46E+02	2,12E+02
PERM	[MJ]	0,00E+00									
PERT	[MJ]	4,37E+02	2,35E+01	7,98E+01	1,39E+00	8,40E-01	5,14E-01	3,02E+00	4,06E-02	5,46E+02	2,12E+02
PENRE	[MJ]	9,38E+03	2,92E+03	7,39E+02	9,44E+02	5,17E+02	3,41E+02	3,32E+01	9,73E+00	1,49E+04	3,58E+03
PENRM	[MJ]	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,07E+02	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,07E+02	0,00E+00
PENRT	[MJ]	9,38E+03	2,92E+03	8,46E+02	9,44E+02	5,17E+02	3,41E+02	3,32E+01	9,73E+00	1,50E+04	3,58E+03
SM	[kg]	1,10E+03	0,00E+00	1,10E+03	0,00E+00						
RSF	[MJ]	0,00E+00									
NRSF	[MJ]	0,00E+00									
FW	[m³]	1,34E+00	1,44E-01	2,50E+00	1,80E-02	1,33E-02	6,92E-03	1,07E-02	2,79E-04	4,03E+00	3,88E-01

**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**

WASTE GENERATION AND TREATMENT	UNITS / D.U.	UPSTREAM	CORE PROCESS								
		A1	A2	А3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	TOTAL	D
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HWD	[kg]	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,54E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,54E+00	0,00E+00
NHWD	[kg]	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	2,72E+01	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	2,72E+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	1,36E+02	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,36E+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 2019:14 v 1.11.

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.

Hot rolled steel bars at plant level were described by using specific data from manufacturing facility (Lonato del Garda, BS, Italy) for year 2020.

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).

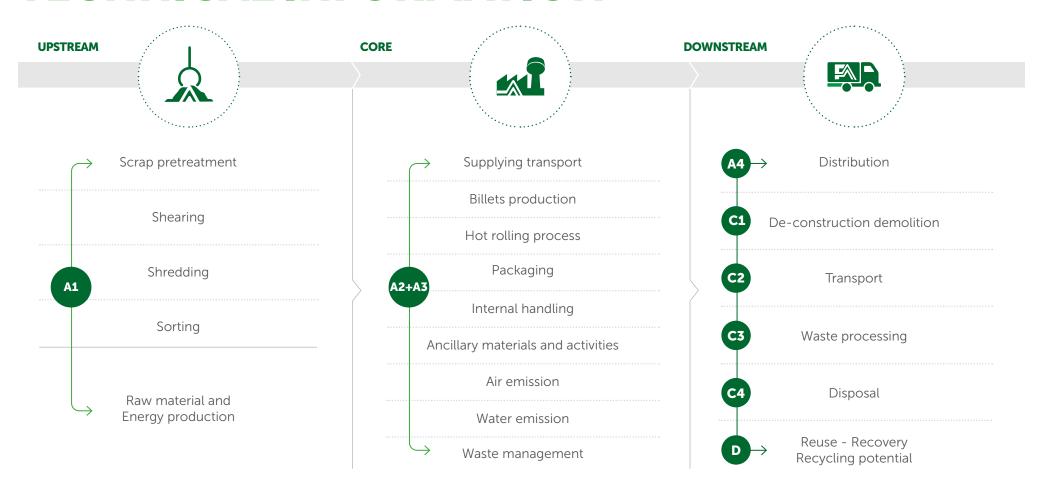
The use phase was not considered according to EN:15804 and PCR 2019:14 v 1.11, while transport to final destination (A4) and end of life (C1-C2-C3-C4-D) were considered. Therefore, in nominal installation and operating conditions, no emissions to air nor to water shall occur.

According to ISO 14040 and 14044, allocation is avoided whenever possible by dividing the system into sub-systems. When allocation cannot be avoided physical properties are used to drive flow analysis.

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 hot 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**

UPSTREAM

**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



Production of alloy elements

Scheme of the considered system boundaries (Upstream processes)

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

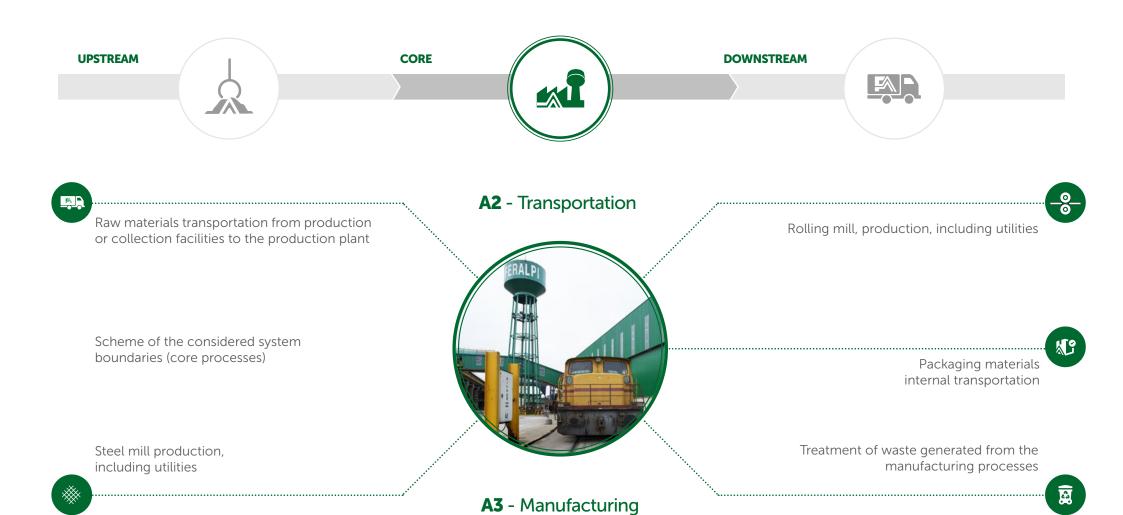




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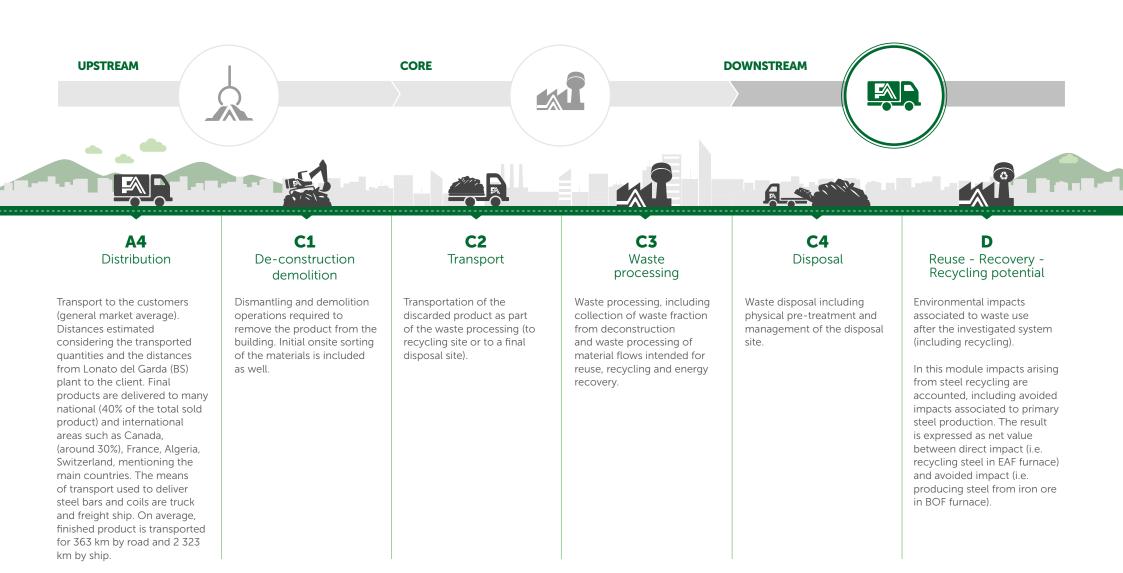


## **CORE PROCESS**





## **DOWNSTREAM PROCESS**





## 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	UNIT	UP	CORE	DOWN	TOTAL
	Dust from electric-arc furnace	[g]	-	1.67	-	1.67
AIR	CO <sub>2</sub> from electric-arc furnace	[kg]	-	25.51	-	25.51
EMISSIONS	NOx from hot rolling process	[g]	-	39.55	-	39.55
	SOx from hot rolling process	[g]	-	2.17	-	2.17
WATER EMISSIONS	Total Suspended Solids	[g]	-	1.41	-	1.41

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

Recycled content of hot rolled products = 91% (calculated according to IGQ 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
- General Programme Instructions, v4.0
- PCR 2019:14 Construction products v 1.11

