

# **ENVIRONMENTAL** PRODUCT DECLARATION

### **MERCHANT BARS** ITALIAN PLANTS AVERAGE

### **AFV** ACCIAIERIE BELTRAME S.P.A. **AFV BELTRAME GROUP**



#### **Based on PCR**

ISO 14025

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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **EPD REFERENCES**

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#### **INDEPENDENT VERIFICATION**

This declaration has been developed referring to the International EPD System, following the General Programme Instructions v 3.01; further information and the document itself are available at: www.environdec.com. EPD document valid within the following geographical area: Italy and other countries worldwide according to sales market conditions.

ISO standard ISO 21930 and CEN standard EN 15804 served as the core  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PCR}}$ 

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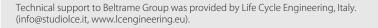
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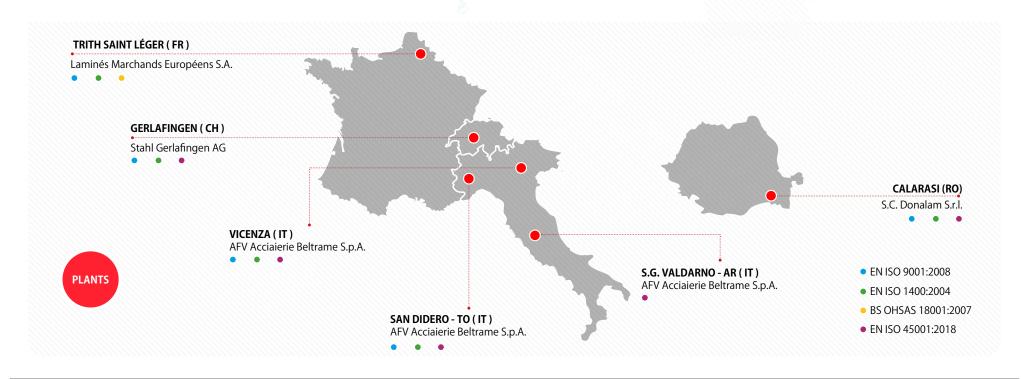
The AFV Beltrame Group has operated in the steel industry for over a century, producing rolled sections for use in construction, shipyards, and excavators.

The facilities, which have a production capacity of approximately **3,2 million tons**, include three electric furnaces and ten rolling mills. These are scattered in six plants located in **Italy**, **France**, **Switzerland**, and **Romania**.

Their geographical distribution is very advantageous given the areas where the products are consumed and those where raw materials are purchased.

The AFV Beltrame Group is commercially present in all European markets as well as in the Mediterranean region through shares in local companies, agents, or the internal sales force. All employees, amounting to approximately **2,000 people**, are strongly committed and motivated to satisfy the customers' needs through constant improvements in production, organization and level of service.

In order to support the principles in the code of ethics and the policy regarding **Quality**, **Health** and **Safety**, and the **Environment** (QHSE), all production plants have adopted an Integrated Management System.







### **SCOPE AND TYPE OF EPD®**

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

#### **TABLE OF MODULES**

|                           | PRC                 | DDUCT ST  | AGE           | CONSTR<br>PROCES                       |          |     |             |        |             |               |                        |                       | END OF LIFE STAGE           |           |                  |          | BENEFITS AND LOADS<br>BEYOND THE SYSTEM<br>BOUNDARIES |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---------------|--|----------|-----|-------------|--------|-------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------|----------|---|
|                           | Raw material supply | Transport | Manufacturing | Transport from the<br>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<br>potential             |
| MODULE                    | A1                  | A2        | A3            | A4                                     | A5       | B1  | B2          | B3     | B4          | B5            | B6                     | B7                    | C1                          | C2        | С3               | C4       | D   |
| Module declared           | Х                   | Х         | Х             | X                                      | -        | MND | MND         | MND    | MND         | MND           | MND                    | MND                   | Х                           | Х         | Х                | Х        | Х   |
| Geography                 | IT                  | IT        | IT            | WLD                                    | -        | _   | -           | _      | -           | -             | -                      | _                     | WLD                         | WLD       | WLD              | WLD      | WLD   |
| Specific data used        |                     | > 90%     |               | -                                      | -        | _   | -           | -      | -           | -             | -                      | -                     | -                           | -         | -                | -        | -   |
| Variation-products        | NOT RELEVANT        |           | ANT           | -                                      | -        | -   | -           | -      | -           | -             | -                      | -                     | -                           | -         | -                | -        | -   |
| Variation-sites: Vicenza  | < 10%               |           | -             | -                                      | -        | -   | -           | -      | -           | -             | -                      | -                     | -                           | -         | -                | -        |   |
| Variation-sites: S.D.*    | 9,0%                | 12,1%     | 13,1%         | -                                      | -        | _   | -           | -      | -           | -             | -                      | -                     | -                           | -         | -                | -        | -   |
| Variation-sites: S.G.V.** | 12,5%               | 81,4%     | 19,0%         | -                                      | -        | _   | -           | -      | -           | -             | -                      | -                     | -                           | -         | -                | -        | -   |

#### **TYPE OF EPD® :** Product EPD®

**REPORT LCA:** Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) of hot rolled bars via EAF process. **REFERENCE PERIOD:** 2019

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

**AVERAGING:** Weighted on the plant production.

#### **SOFTWARE:** SimaPro ver. 9.1.1.1 (www.pre.nl)

#### MAIN DATABASE: Ecoinvent 3.6

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\*S.D. indicates San Didero Plant

\*\*S.G.V. indicates San Giovanni Valdarno Plant





### **DETAILED PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

This EPD refers to construction products hot rolled structural profiles and merchant bars produced at **Vicenza, San Didero (TO)** and **San Giovanni Valdarno (AR)** plants, with electric arc furnace route, starting from post and pre consumer steel scraps, varying steel grades, e.g. S235, S275, S355, etc..

#### **PRODUCT DIMENSIONS AND SPECIFIC STANDARDS:**

- » EN 10025-1:2004
- » EN 10025-2:2004 » Attestation of conformity system 2+ (CE marking)

» EN 10025-5:2004,

#### **CONTENT DECLARATION**

| MATERIAL       | MASS SHARE |
|----------------|------------|
| IRON           | 96 %       |
| ALLOY ELEMENTS | 2 %        |
| OTHER ELEMENTS | 2 %        |

- No packaging is required for functional unit delivery and distribution, and no renewable material is contained in functional unit

| PRODUCT            | CTANDADD                        | DIMENSIO | ONS (mm) | THICKNESS (mm) |     |  |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------|----------|----------------|-----|--|
| PRODUCT            | STANDARD                        | from     | to       | from           | to  |  |
| l sections         | EN 10034:1993                   | 80       | 160      | 5,2            | 7,4 |  |
| Tees               | EN 10055:1995                   | 20       | 100      | 3              | 11  |  |
| Angles             | EN 10056-1:1998 EN 10056-2:1993 | 15       | 160      | 3              | 16  |  |
| Angles sharp edges | DIN 1022:2004                   | 20       | 100      | 3              | 11  |  |
| Flats              | EN 10058:2003                   | 10       | 150      | 3              | 50  |  |
| Wide flats         | DIN 59200:2001                  | 151      | 250      | 5              | 30  |  |
| Squares            | EN 10059:2003                   | -        | -        | 10             | 50  |  |
| Rounds             | EN 10060:2003                   | -        | -        | 6              | 30  |  |
| U channels         | EN 10279:2000                   | 30       | 160      | 4              | 7,5 |  |





### **ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE**

The detailed environmental performance (in terms of potential environmental impacts, use of resources and waste generation) is presented for the three phases Upstream, Core and Downstream and related sub-phases (A1-A2-A3-A4-C1-C2-C3-C4-D). Construction installation (A5) and use phase (B1 - B7) are modules not declared (MND).

**DECLARED UNIT (D.U.)** The declared unit is 1 tonne (1 000 kg) of hot rolled merchant bar.

|                | VICENZA | SAN DIDERO | SAN GIOVANNI VALDARNO | TOTAL   |
|----------------|---------|------------|-----------------------|---------|
| PRODUCTION [t] | 616 375 | 105 862    | 44 700                | 766 937 |
| SHARING        | 80%     | 14%        | 6%                    | 100%    |

VICENZA, SAN DIDERO AND SAN GIOVANNI VALDARNO'S DATA HAVE BEEN ELABORATED TO GENERATE SINGLE RESULTS THAT REPRESENT A WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF THE THREE PLANTS. THE WEIGHT OF EVERY PLANT IS GIVEN ACCORDING TO THEIR PRODUCTION





ADPE Abiotic depletion potential minerals & metals\* ADPF Abiotic depletion potential fossil fuels\*

as there is limited experience with the indicator

\*: The results of these environmental impact indicator shall be used

with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or

WDP Water use deprivation potential\*

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| GWP Global warming potential, total                             | <b>ODP</b> Ozone depletion |
|---|----------------------------|
| GWP,f Global warming potential, fossil                          | AP Acidification Poter     |
| GWP,b Global warming potential, biogenic                        | EP,f Eutrophication pe     |
| GWP, luluc Global warming potential, land use & land use change | EP,m Eutrophication p      |
| GWP,ghg Global warming potential, excluding biogenic uptake,    | EP,t Eutrophication p      |
| emission and storage  | POCP Photochemical         |
|   |                            |

on potential ential potential, freshwater potential, marine potential, terrestrial

al ozone creation potential

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

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

| POTENTIAL                |                       | UPSTREAM | CO       | RE       |          |          | DOWNSTREAM |          |          |          |          |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| ENVIRONMENTAL<br>IMPACTS | UNITS / D.U.          | A1       | A2       | A3<br>ĨĨ | A4       | C1       | C2         | C3<br>∰  | C4       | TOTAL*   | D        |
| GWP                      | kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq | 4,97E+02 | 5,00E+01 | 2,42E+02 | 8,50E+01 | 5,10E+01 | 2,62E+01   | 1,43E+01 | 1,26E-01 | 9,66E+02 | 6,31E+01 |
| GWP,f                    | kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq | 4,97E+02 | 4,99E+01 | 2,42E+02 | 8,50E+01 | 5,10E+01 | 2,62E+01   | 1,43E+01 | 1,26E-01 | 9,65E+02 | 6,30E+01 |
| GWP,b                    | kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq | 1,77E-01 | 7,34E-02 | 2,39E-01 | 5,13E-03 | 3,59E-03 | 1,65E-03   | 2,70E-02 | 1,74E-05 | 5,27E-01 | 8,79E-03 |
| GWP,luluc                | kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq | 6,89E-02 | 8,32E-04 | 7,85E-02 | 6,41E-04 | 7,40E-04 | 2,09E-04   | 9,54E-03 | 3,08E-06 | 1,59E-01 | 6,26E-03 |
| GWP,ghg                  | kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq | 4,97E+02 | 4,99E+01 | 2,42E+02 | 8,50E+01 | 5,10E+01 | 2,62E+01   | 1,43E+01 | 1,26E-01 | 9,66E+02 | 6,31E+01 |
| ODP                      | kg CFC11 eq           | 8,66E-05 | 1,12E-05 | 8,49E-06 | 1,96E-05 | 1,15E-05 | 6,12E-06   | 2,66E-06 | 2,63E-08 | 1,46E-04 | 1,88E-06 |
| AP                       | mol H+ eq             | 1,93E+00 | 3,70E-01 | 4,34E-01 | 4,93E-01 | 5,52E-01 | 1,51E-01   | 1,23E-01 | 1,30E-03 | 4,06E+00 | 3,04E-01 |
| EP,f                     | kg P eq               | 1,35E-02 | 1,47E-04 | 3,73E-03 | 5,54E-05 | 4,00E-05 | 1,57E-05   | 4,31E-04 | 4,60E-07 | 1,79E-02 | 3,77E-03 |
| EP,m                     | kg N eq               | 3,77E-01 | 1,29E-01 | 1,26E-01 | 1,98E-01 | 2,47E-01 | 6,09E-02   | 4,79E-02 | 5,65E-04 | 1,19E+00 | 5,84E-02 |
| EP,t                     | mol N eq              | 4,22E+00 | 1,43E+00 | 1,42E+00 | 2,17E+00 | 2,71E+00 | 6,69E-01   | 5,29E-01 | 6,20E-03 | 1,32E+01 | 6,60E-01 |
| РОСР                     | kg NMVOC eq           | 1,42E+00 | 3,69E-01 | 3,79E-01 | 5,65E-01 | 7,42E-01 | 1,74E-01   | 1,43E-01 | 1,73E-03 | 3,79E+00 | 3,22E-01 |
| ADPE                     | kg Sb eq              | 1,21E-04 | 3,14E-06 | 2,34E-04 | 4,71E-06 | 2,28E-05 | 1,56E-06   | 9,04E-06 | 5,23E-08 | 3,96E-04 | 1,14E-03 |
| ADPF                     | MJ                    | 9,28E+03 | 7,12E+02 | 1,11E+03 | 1,21E+03 | 7,07E+02 | 3,74E+02   | 2,26E+02 | 1,68E+00 | 1,36E+04 | 5,08E+02 |
| WDP                      | m <sup>3</sup>        | 3,81E+04 | 2,30E+00 | 3,79E+02 | 2,86E+01 | 1,37E-01 | -8,23E-02  | 9,01E-01 | 5,78E-04 | 3,85E+04 | 5,63E+00 |





### **AFV BELTRAME** ITALIAN PLANTS

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

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

|                     |                | UPSTREAM | CO       | RE       |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|---------------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| USE OF RESOURCES UN | UNITS / D.U.   | A1       | A2       | A3       | A4       | C1       | C2       | C3<br>∰∎ | C4       | TOTAL*   | D        |
| PERE                | MJ             | 4,60E+02 | 1,60E+01 | 1,46E+02 | 1,70E+00 | 1,07E+00 | 5,23E-01 | 1,42E+01 | 6,35E-03 | 6,39E+02 | 4,69E+01 |
| PERM                | MJ             | 0,00E+00 |
| PERT                | MJ             | 4,60E+02 | 1,60E+01 | 1,46E+02 | 1,70E+00 | 1,07E+00 | 5,23E-01 | 1,42E+01 | 6,35E-03 | 6,39E+02 | 4,69E+01 |
| PENRE               | MJ             | 1,11E+04 | 7,08E+02 | 7,94E+02 | 1,18E+03 | 6,92E+02 | 3,65E+02 | 2,40E+02 | 1,68E+00 | 1,50E+04 | 7,56E+02 |
| PENRM               | MJ             | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 4,66E+02 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 4,66E+02 | 0,00E+00 |
| PENRT               | MJ             | 1,11E+04 | 7,08E+02 | 1,26E+03 | 1,18E+03 | 6,92E+02 | 3,65E+02 | 2,40E+02 | 1,68E+00 | 1,55E+04 | 7,56E+02 |
| SM                  | kg             | 1,17E+03 | 0,00E+00 | 1,17E+03 | 0,00E+00 |
| RSF                 | MJ             | 0,00E+00 |
| NRSF                | MJ             | 0,00E+00 |
| FW                  | m <sup>3</sup> | 8,88E+02 | 7,78E-02 | 9,28E+00 | 6,96E-01 | 1,82E-02 | 7,40E-03 | 7,20E-02 | 5,03E-05 | 8,98E+02 | 1,18E-01 |

\*Totals may not correspond to the sum of the individual contributes due to approximations.





### **AFV BELTRAME** ITALIAN PLANTS

HWD Hazardous waste disposed
NHWD Non-hazardous waste disposed
RWD Radioactive waste disposed
CRU Components for re-use
MFR Materials for recycling
MER Materials for energy recovery
EE Exported energy

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

| WASTE<br>GENERATION AND<br>TREATMENT | UNITS / D.U. | UPSTREAM | co       | DRE      |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                                      |              | A1       | A2       | A3       | A4       | C1       | C2       | C3       | C4       | TOTAL*   | D        |
| HWD                                  | kg           | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 1,84E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 1,84E+00 | 0,00E+00 |
| NHWD                                 | kg           | 1,02E-01 | 0,00E+00 | 6,76E+01 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 6,77E+01 | 0,00E+00 |
| RWD                                  | kg           | 1,19E-03 | 0,00E+00 | 1,19E-03 | 0,00E+00 |
| CRU                                  | kg           | 2,11E-01 | 0,00E+00 | 2,11E-01 | 0,00E+00 |
| MFR                                  | kg           | 0,00E+00 | 1,23E+02 | 0,00E+00 |
| MER                                  | kg           | 0,00E+00 | 0,00E+00 | 1,23E+02 | 0,00E+00 |
| EE                                   | MJ           | 0,00E+00 |

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### **CALCULATION RULES**

#### **METHODOLOGY**

The environmental burden of the product has been calculated according to the GPI v. 3.01 issued by the International EPD System<sup>1</sup> (Cradle to gate with options).

This declaration is based on the application of Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) methodology to the whole life-cycle system.

Merchant bars at plant level, was described by using specific data from manufacturing facilities (Vicenza, San Didero and San Giovanni Valdarno) for year 2019.

Customized LCA<sup>2</sup> questionnaires were used to gather in-depth information about all aspects of the production system (for example, raw materials specifications, pre treatments, process efficiencies, air emissions, waste management), ultimately providing 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 PCR, while transport to final destination (A4) and end-of-life phases (C1-C2-C3-C4-D) were considered. A distance of 200 km from operation plant and dismantling site was adopted. According to PEFCR a collection rate of 0,95 was adopted. Therefore, in nominal installation and operating conditions, no emissions to air nor to water shall occur.

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%.

<sup>1</sup>International EPD System is managed by EPD International AB (www.environdec.com). <sup>2</sup>The LCA methodology is standardized at international level by ISO 14040 and ISO 14044.

#### **DECLARED UNIT**

Bars are usually traded in mass so that the declared unit is **1 ton of merchant bars.** 







### **CALCULATION RULES**



According to the PCR 2019:14 v. 1.1 the main activities are listed and divided in three subsystems: UPSTREAM Process, CORE Module, DOWNSTREAM Process

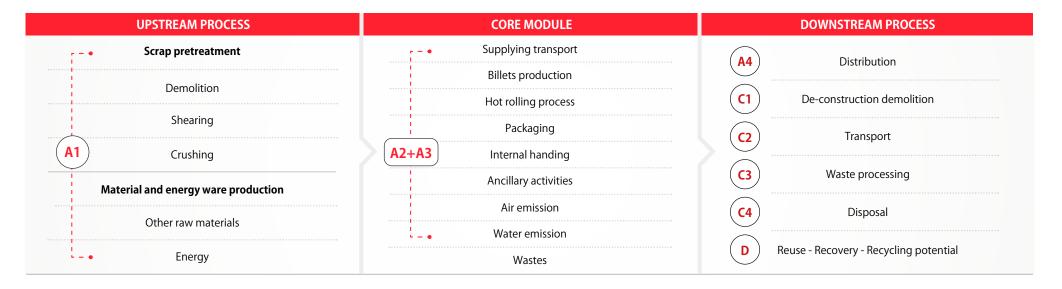
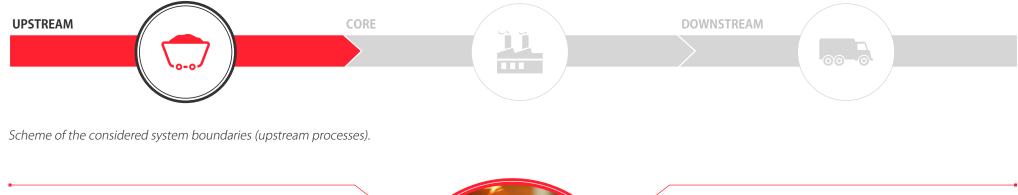


Figure 1. Scheme of the considered system boundaries (including upstream, core and downstream main processes).





### **UPSTREAM PROCESS**





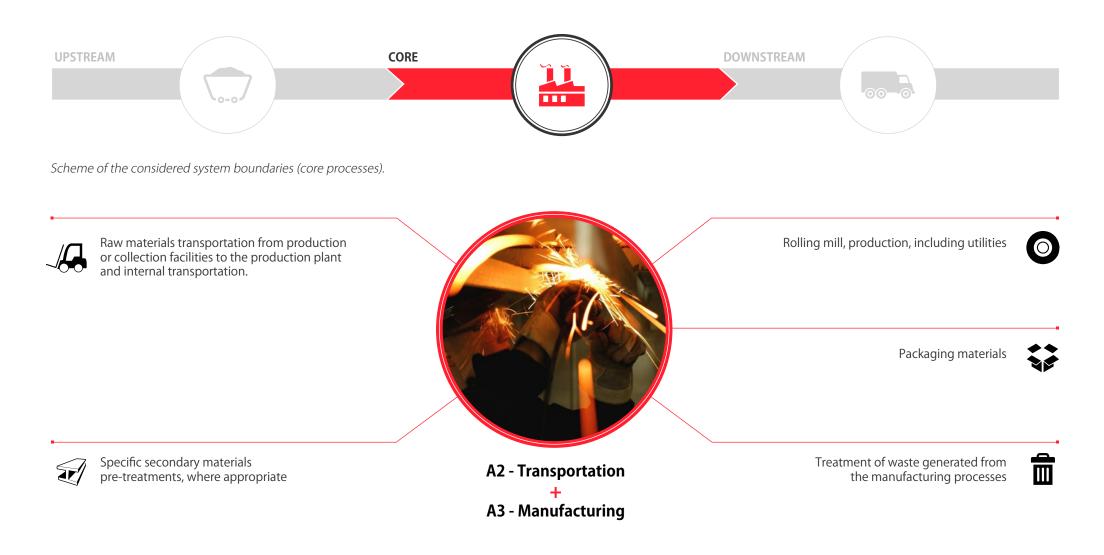




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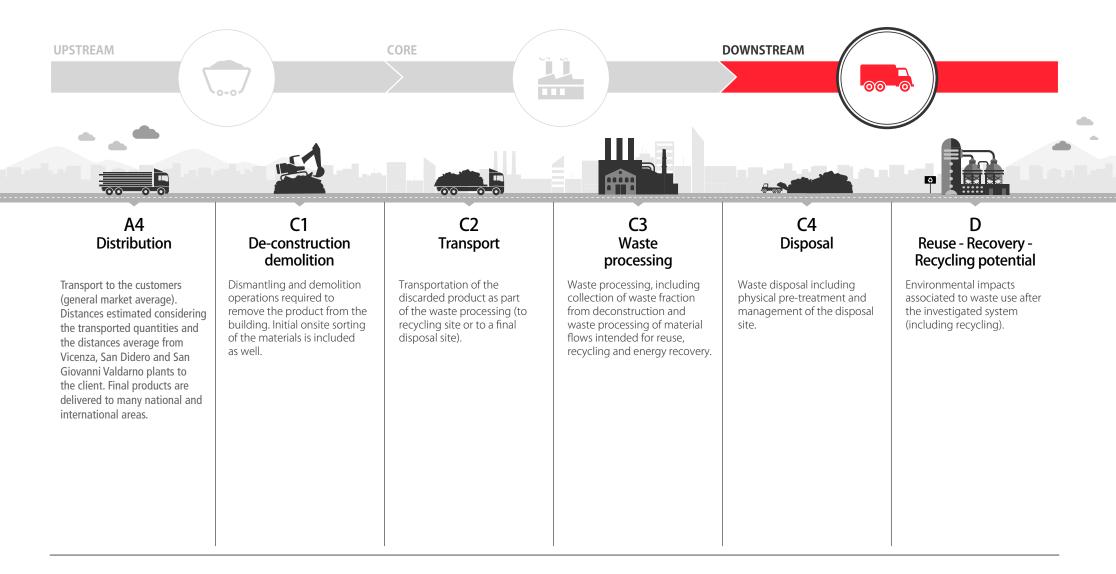
### **CORE PROCESS**







### **DOWNSTREAM PROCESS**







### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Main environmental characteristics of the considered plants are:

**1.** EAF primary and secondary dedusting achieve an efficient extraction of all emission sources by using direct off-gas extraction (shaft) and total building evacuation, with subsequent dedusting by means of a bag filter

**2.** Prevention and reduction of (PCDD/F) and (PCB) emissions by using the combination of the following techniques,

- appropriate rapid quenching of the EAF off-gas
- injection of adsorption agents into the duct
- final dedusting with a bag filter.

**3.** Minimisation of water consumption by using a recirculating loop cooling system with purge recovery. Removal of solids by sedimentation or filtration, removal of oil with skimming devices.

4. Prevention and reduction of waste generation by using the following techniques:

I. appropriate collection and storage to facilitate specific treatments;

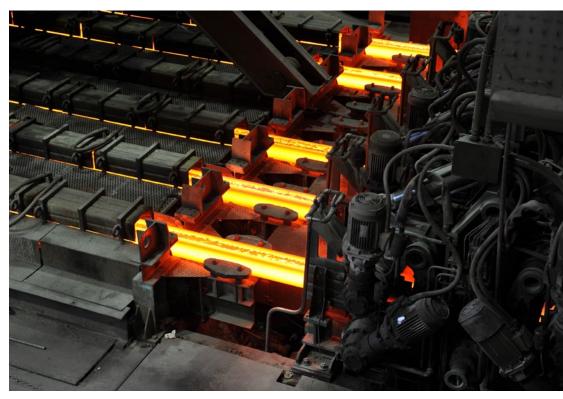
**II.** on-site recovery and recycling of specific by-products from the different processes;

**III.** external recovery of filter dusts in the non-ferrous metal industry (zinc, lead); **IV.** separation of scale in the water treatment process and external recovery in the cement and blast-furnace industry;

**V.** recovery of EAF slag as a secondary raw material (inert aggregates) in the construction industry.

**5.** Radiation monitoring of scraps and raw materials by means of detection equipment installed at the weighing post.

In accordance with general EPD<sup>®</sup> requirements the LCA study used specific, generic and other generic data. This last data contributes to the environmental indicators less than 10%.







### DIFFERENCES VERSUS PREVIOUS VERSIONS

Compared to the previous versions of the EPD there are no differences due to changes in the production processes, which have remained the same.

The only differences are due to the updating of the datasets and reference regulations, which imply the inclusion in the system boundaries of the downstream phases C1 - C2 - C3 - C4 - D.

## REFERENCES

- EN 15804:2012+A2:2019

- ISO 14040 : 2006

- ISO 14044 : 2006

- Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) of hot rolled bars via EAF process - italian average

- General Programme Instructions, v3.01 (2019-09-18)

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