



# ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

*In accordance with EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 and ISO 14025*

## PLF ISOVER PLA ISOVER

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S-P- 02188



**ISOVER**  
SAINT-GOBAIN



The environmental impacts of this product  
have been assessed over its whole life cycle.  
Its Environmental Product Declaration has  
been verified by an independent third party.

## General information

**Manufacturer:** Saint-Gobain Construction Products Romania, ISOVER Business Unit Strada Mihai Bravu 233, Ploiești 100410, ROMANIA

**Programme used:** The International EPD® System. More information at [www.environdec.com](http://www.environdec.com)

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**Product name and manufacturer represented:** PLF ISOVER and PLA ISOVER; Saint-Gobain Construction Products Romania ISOVER Business Unit

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| CEN standard EN 15804 served as the core PCR  |   |
| EPD program operator  | The International EPD® System. Operated by EPD® International AB. <a href="http://www.environdec.com">www.environdec.com</a> .                              |
| PCR review conducted by   | The Technical Committee of the International EPD® System<br>Chair: Massimo Marino. Contact via <a href="mailto:info@environdec.com">info@environdec.com</a> |
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# Product description

## Product description and description of use:

This Environmental Product Declaration (EPD®) describes the environmental impacts of 1 m<sup>2</sup> of mineral wool with a thermal resistance of 1.0 K\*m<sup>2</sup>\*W<sup>-1</sup>.

The production site of Saint-Gobain Romania ISOVER BU in Ploiesti uses natural raw materials (basalt and dolomite), using fusion and fiberising techniques to produce mineral wool. The products obtained come in the form of a "mineral wool mat" consisting of a soft, airy structure.

On Earth, naturally, the best insulator is dry immobile air at 10°C: its thermal conductivity factor, expressed in  $\lambda$ , is 0.025 W/(m.K) (watts per meter Kelvin degree). The thermal conductivity of mineral wool is close to immobile air as its lambda varies from 0.031 W/(m.K) for the most efficient to 0.043 W/(m.K) to the least.

With its entangled structure, mineral wool is a porous material that traps the air, making it one of the best insulating materials. The porous and elastic structure of the wool also absorbs noise in the air, knocks and offers acoustic correction inside premises. Mineral wool containing incombustible materials does not fuel fire or propagate flames.

Mineral wool insulation is used in buildings as well as industrial facilities. It ensures a high level of comfort, lowers energy costs, minimizes carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions, prevents heat loss through pitched roofs, walls, floors, pipes and boilers, reduces noise pollution and protects homes and industrial facilities from the risk of fire.

Mineral wool products last for the average building's lifetime (which is often set at 50 years as a default), or as long as the insulated building component is part of the building.

The results in this EPD are expressed for PLF ISOVER product range. Separately, in additional information it is explained how to obtain the results for PLA ISOVER product ranges.

| PLF ISOVER          | PLA ISOVER         |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| PLF 40 ISOVER       | PLA 50 ISOVER      |
| PLF 50 ISOVER C     | PLA 60 ISOVER C    |
| PLF 80 ISOVER       | PLA 80 ISOVER      |
| PLF 100 ISOVER      | PLA 100 ISOVER     |
| PLF 100 (--) ISOVER | PLA 50 MPS ISOVER  |
| PLF 50 MPS ISOVER   | PLA 100 MPS ISOVER |

## Description of the main product components and materials:

### Main components

|              |         |   |
|--------------|---------|---|
| Mineral wool | 90-95 % | (REACH registration number 01-2119472313-44-0041) |
| Binder       | 0-10%   |   |

## Technical data/physical characteristics according to harmonized standard EN 13162:2012+A1:2015:

| Physical characteristic                           | Unit                 | Value for PLF ISOVER | Value for PLA ISOVER |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Declared thermal conductivity $\lambda_D$         | W/(m K)              | 0.035                | 0.035                |
| Reaction to fire                                  | -                    | Euroclass A1         | Euroclass A1         |
| Air flow resistivity AFR                          | kPa s/m <sup>2</sup> | > 5                  | > 5                  |
| Water vapour diffusion resistance factor $\mu$ MU | -                    | < 1                  | < 1                  |



Description of the main components and/or materials for 1 m<sup>2</sup> of product (representative product PLF ISOVER) with a thermal resistance of 1 K.m<sup>2</sup>.W<sup>-1</sup> for the calculation of this EPD<sup>®</sup> :

| PARAMETER   | VALUE   |
|---|---|
| Quantity of wool for 1 m <sup>2</sup> of product  | 2.2 kg  |
| Thickness of wool                                 | 35 mm   |
| Surfacing   | None  |
| Packaging for the transportation and distribution | Polyethylene: 45.7 g/m <sup>2</sup><br>Graphic label: 1.2 g/m <sup>2</sup><br>Wooden pallet: 138.8 g/m <sup>2</sup> |
| Product used for the Installation                 | None  |

During the life cycle of the product any hazardous substance listed in the “Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) for authorization” has not been used in a percentage higher than 0,1% of the weight of the product.

The verifier and the program operator do not make any claim nor have any responsibility of the legality of the product.

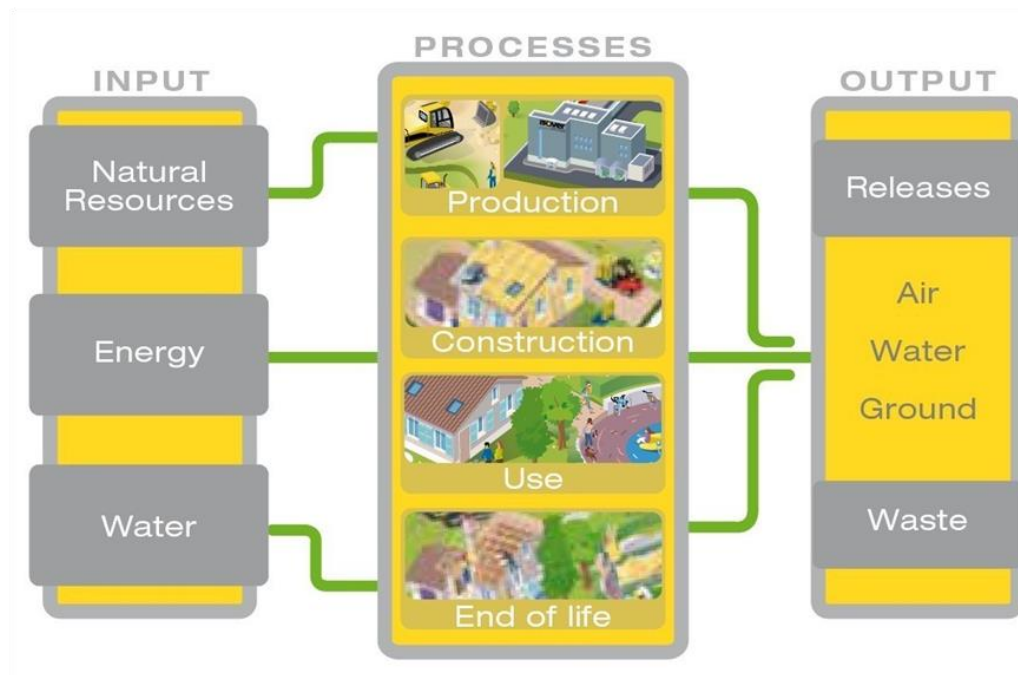
## LCA calculation information

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|--|---|
| <b>FUNCTIONAL UNIT</b>                       | Providing a thermal insulation on 1 m <sup>2</sup> of product with a thermal resistance of 1 K.m <sup>2</sup> .W <sup>-1</sup>  |
| <b>SYSTEM BOUNDARIES</b>                     | Cradle to Grave: Mandatory stages = A1-3, A4-5, B1-7, C1-4. Optional stage = D not taken into account   |
| <b>REFERENCE SERVICE LIFE (RSL)</b>          | 50 years  |
| <b>CUT-OFF RULES</b>                         | <p>In the case that there is not enough information, the process energy and materials representing less than 1% of the whole energy and mass used can be excluded (if they do not cause significant impacts). The addition of all the inputs and outputs excluded cannot be bigger than the 5% of the whole mass and energy used, as well of the emissions to environment occurred.</p> <p>Flows related to human activities such as employee transport are excluded.</p> <p>The construction of plants, production of machines and transportation systems are excluded since the related flows are supposed to be negligible compared to the production of the building product when compared at these systems lifetime level.</p> |
| <b>ALLOCATIONS</b>                           | <p>Allocation criteria are based on mass</p> <p>The polluter pays as well the modularity principles have been followed</p>  |
| <b>GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE AND TIME PERIOD</b> | <p>Production data: Romania, 2019</p> <p>Transportation data: Romania, 2019.</p> <p>Background data: Ecoinvent (from 2015 to 2018) and GaBi ( from 2013 to 2019)</p>  |

- “EPDs of construction products may be not comparable if they do not comply with EN 15804”
- “Environmental Product Declarations within the same product category from different programs may not be comparable”

# Life cycle stages

## Flow diagram of the Life Cycle



## Product stage, A1-A3

**Description of the stage:** the product stage of the mineral wool products is subdivided into 3 modules A1, A2 and A3 respectively "Raw material supply", "transport" and "manufacturing".

The aggregation of the modules A1, A2 and A3 is a possibility considered by the EN 15 804 standard. This rule is applied in this EPD.

### Description of the scenarios and other additional technical information:

#### A1, Raw materials supply

This module takes into account the extraction and processing of all raw materials and energy which occur upstream to the studied manufacturing process

Specifically, the raw material supply covers production of binder components and sourcing (quarry) of raw materials for fiber production, e.g. basalt and dolomite for mineral wool. Besides these raw materials, recycled materials are also used as input.

Packaging material data is based on the most common product dimensions used

#### A2, Transport to the manufacturer

The raw materials are transported to the manufacturing site. In our case, the modeling includes: road (average values) of each raw material.

#### A3, Manufacturing

This module includes the manufacturing of the product and packaging materials. Specifically, it covers the manufacturing of mineral, resin, mineral wool (including the processes of fusion and fiberizing showed in the flow diagram), and the packaging.





### Construction process stage, A4-A5

**Description of the stage:** the construction process is divided into 2 modules: A4, transport to the building site and A5, installation in the building.

**A4, Transport to the building site:** this module includes transport from the production gate to the building site.

Transport is calculated on the basis of a scenario with the parameters described in the following table.

| PARAMETER  | VALUE/DESCRIPTION   |
|--|---|
| Fuel type and consumption of vehicle or vehicle type used for transport e.g. long distance truck, boat, etc. | Average truck trailer with a 27t payload, diesel consumption 38 liters for 100 km |
| Distance   | 312.6 km  |
| Capacity utilisation (including empty returns)   | 100% of the capacity in volume<br>30 % of empty returns in mass                   |
| Bulk density of transported products*  | 10-200 kg/m <sup>3</sup>  |
| Volume capacity utilisation factor   | 1   |

**A5, Installation in the building:** this module includes:

- Waste produced during the installation of the product (see value in percentage shown in the next table). These losses are sent to landfill (see landfill model for mineral wool at end of life chapter)
- Additional manufacturing processes to compensate losses
- Packaging waste processing, which are 100% collected and recycled and modeled as recovered matter

| PARAMETER   | VALUE/DESCRIPTION   |
|---|---|
| Wastage of materials on the building site before waste processing, generated by the product's installation (specified by type)  | 2 %   |
| Distance  | 25 km to landfill by truck  |
| Output materials (specified by type) as results of waste processing at the building site e.g. of collection for recycling, for energy recovering, disposal (specified by route) | <p>Packaging wastes are 100 % collected and modeled as recovered matter.</p> <p>Following a conservative methodology mineral wool losses are considered to be landfilled.</p> |

## Use stage (excluding potential savings), B1-B7

**Description of the stage:** the use stage is divided into the following modules:

- B1: Use
- B2: Maintenance
- B3: Repair
- B4: Replacement
- B5: Refurbishment
- B6: Operational energy use
- B7: Operational water use

### Description of the scenarios and additional technical information:

Once installation is complete, no actions or technical operations are required during the use stages until the end of life stage. Therefore mineral wool insulation products have no impact (excluding potential energy savings) on this stage.

## End of Life Stage, C1-C4

**Description of the stage:** this stage includes the next modules:

### C1, Deconstruction, demolition

The de-construction and/or dismantling of insulation products take part of the demolition of the entire building. In our case, the environmental impact is assumed to be very small and can be neglected

### C2, Transport to waste processing

The model use for the transportation (see A4, transportation to the building site) is applied.

### C3, Waste processing for reuse, recovery and/or recycling

The product is considered to be landfilled without reuse, recovery or recycling.

### C4, Disposal

The mineral wool is assumed to be 100% landfilled.



## Description of the scenarios and additional technical information:

### End of life:

| PARAMETER  | VALUE/DESCRIPTION   |
|--|---|
| Collection process specified by type                       | The entire product, including any surfacing is collected alongside any mixed construction waste<br><br>2.2 kg of stone wool (collected with mixed construction waste) |
| Recovery system specified by type                          | There is no recovery, recycling or reuse of the product once it has reached its end of life phase.  |
| Disposal specified by type                                 | The product alongside the mixed construction waste from demolishing will go to landfill<br><br>2.2 kg g of stone wool are landfilled                                  |
| Assumptions for scenario development (e.g. transportation) | The waste going to landfill will be transported by truck with 27 t payload, using diesel as a fuel consuming 38 liters per 100km.<br>Distance covered is 25 km        |

## Reuse/recovery/recycling potential, D

Description of the stage: module D has not been taken into account.








## LCA results









LCA model, aggregation of data and environmental impact are calculated from the GaBi software (version 8.7). CML 4.1 impact method has been used, together with thinkstep 8.7 (2018) and Ecoinvent v3.1 and v3.5 databases to obtain the inventory of generic data.




Raw materials and energy consumption, as well as transport distances have been taken directly from the manufacturing plant (Production data according 2019)





| System boundaries (X=included, MND=module not declared) |           |               |                                 |                                 |           |             |        |             |               |                        |                       |                            |           |                  |          |                                    |
|---|-----------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| Product stage   |           |               | Construction installation stage |                                 | Use stage |             |        |             |               |                        |                       | End of life stage          |           |                  |          | Beyond the system boundaries       |
| Raw materials   | Transport | Manufacturing | Transport                       | Construction installation stage | 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          | B3     | B4          | B5            | B6                     | B7                    | C1                         | C2        | C3               | C4       | D                                  |
| X   | X         | X             | X                               | X                               | X         | X           | X      | X           | X             | X                      | X                     | X                          | X         | X                | X        | MND                                |

All result tables refer to a functional unit of 1 m<sup>2</sup> of mineral wool with a thermal resistance of 1.0 K\*m<sup>2</sup>\*W<sup>-1</sup> of PLF ISOVER product.

| ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS  |  |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|--|--|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Parameters   | Product stage  | Construction process stage |                 | Use stage |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          | End-of-life stage              |              |                     |             | D Reuse, recovery, recycling |
|  | A1 / A2 / A3   | A4 Transport               | A5 Installation | B1 Use    | B2 Maintenance | B3 Repair | B4 Replacement | B5 Refurbishment | B6 Operational energy use | B7 Operational water use | C1 Deconstruction / demolition | C2 Transport | C3 Waste processing | C4 Disposal |                              |
|  <b>Global Warming Potential (GWP) - kg CO2 equiv/FU</b>                                       | 2,25E+00   | 4,65E-02                   | 5,72E-02        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 3,16E-03     | 0                   | 3,43E-02    | MND                          |
|  | The global warming potential of a gas refers to the total contribution to global warming resulting from the emission of one unit of that gas relative to one unit of the reference gas, carbon dioxide, which is assigned a value of 1.  |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|  <b>Ozone Depletion (ODP) kg CFC 11 equiv/FU</b>   | 2,68E-07   | 7,11E-18                   | 6,97E-09        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 4,84E-19     | 0                   | 1,92E-16    | MND                          |
|  | Destruction of the stratospheric ozone layer which shields the earth from ultraviolet radiation harmful to life. This destruction of ozone is caused by the breakdown of certain chlorine and/or bromine containing compounds (chlorofluorocarbons or halons), which break down when they reach the stratosphere and then catalytically destroy ozone molecules. |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|  <b>Acidification potential (AP) kg SO2 equiv/FU</b>   | 4,68E-03   | 1,94E-04                   | 1,31E-04        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 1,30E-05     | 0                   | 1,96E-04    | MND                          |
|  | Acid depositions have negative impacts on natural ecosystems and the man-made environment incl, buildings. The main sources for emissions of acidifying substances are agriculture and fossil fuel combustion used for electricity production, heating and transport.  |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|  <b>Eutrophication potential (EP) kg (PO4)3- equiv/FU</b>                                     | 1,05E-03   | 4,77E-05                   | 2,89E-05        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 3,19E-06     | 0                   | 2,22E-05    | MND                          |
|  | Excessive enrichment of waters and continental surfaces with nutrients, and the associated adverse biological effects.   |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|  <b>Photochemical ozone creation (POPC) kg Ethene equiv/FU</b>                               | 5,26E-04   | 7,12E-06                   | 1,31E-05        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 4,77E-07     | 0                   | 1,61E-05    | MND                          |
|  | Chemical reactions brought about by the light energy of the sun. The reaction of nitrogen oxides with hydrocarbons in the presence of sunlight to form ozone is an example of a photochemical reaction.  |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|  <b>Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources (ADP-elements) - kg Sb equiv/FU</b> | 1,01E-06   | 6,18E-10                   | 2,18E-08        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 4,20E-11     | 0                   | 1,17E-08    | MND                          |
|  |  |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|  <b>Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources (ADP-fossil fuels) - MJ/FU</b>          | 3,46E+01   | 6,47E-01                   | 8,63E-01        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 4,40E-02     | 0                   | 4,58E-01    | MND                          |
|  | Consumption of non-renewable resources, thereby lowering their availability for future generations.  |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |

| RESOURCE USE  |               |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Parameters  | Product stage | Construction process stage |                 | Use stage |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          | End of life stage              |              |                     |             | D Reuse, recovery, recycling |
|   | A1 / A2 / A3  | A4 Transport               | A5 Installation | B1 Use    | B2 Maintenance | B3 Repair | B4 Replacement | B5 Refurbishment | B6 Operational energy use | B7 Operational water use | C1 Deconstruction / demolition | C2 Transport | C3 Waste processing | C4 Disposal |                              |
|  Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials - MJ/FU         | 5,89E-01      | 1,49E-02                   | 1,43E-02        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 1,01E-03     | 0                   | 6,01E-02    | MND                          |
|  Use of renewable primary energy used as raw materials MJ/FU  | 9,42E-02      | 0                          | 1,88E-03        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |
| Total use of renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials) MJ/FU   | 6,83E-01      | 1,49E-02                   | 1,62E-02        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 1,01E-03     | 0                   | 6,01E-02    | MND                          |
|  Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials - MJ/FU | 3,57E+01      | 6,49E-01                   | 8,86E-01        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 4,42E-02     | 0                   | 4,74E-01    | MND                          |
|  Use of non-renewable primary energy used as raw materials MJ/FU   | 2,73E+00      | 0                          | 5,46E-02        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |
| Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources (primary energy and primary energy resources used as raw materials) - MJ/FU   | 3,84E+01      | 6,49E-01                   | 9,40E-01        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 4,42E-02     | 0                   | 4,74E-01    | MND                          |
|  Use of secondary material kg/FU  | 0             | 0                          | 0               | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |
|  Use of renewable secondary fuels- MJ/FU  | 0             | 0                          | 0               | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |
|  Use of non-renewable secondary fuels - MJ/FU   | 0             | 0                          | 0               | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |
|  Use of net fresh water - m3/FU   | 8,81E-03      | 4,96E-06                   | 1,94E-04        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 3,37E-07     | 0                   | 1,19E-04    | MND                          |

| WASTE CATEGORIES   |               |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
|--|---------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Parameters   | Product stage | Construction process stage |                 | Use stage |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          | End-of-life stage              |              |                     |             | D Reuse, recovery, recycling |
|  | A1 / A2 / A3  | A4 Transport               | A5 Installation | B1 Use    | B2 Maintenance | B3 Repair | B4 Replacement | B5 Refurbishment | B6 Operational energy use | B7 Operational water use | C1 Deconstruction / demolition | C2 Transport | C3 Waste processing | C4 Disposal |                              |
|  Hazardous waste disposed <i>kg/FU</i>     | 9,15E-10      | 2,33E-09                   | 3,16E-10        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 1,58E-10     | 0                   | 8,07E-09    | MND                          |
|  Non-hazardous waste disposed <i>kg/FU</i> | 9,52E-02      | 7,87E-06                   | 4,69E-02        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 5,35E-07     | 0                   | 2,20E+00    | MND                          |
|  Radioactive waste disposed <i>kg/FU</i>   | 3,58E-06      | 7,57E-07                   | 2,43E-07        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 5,15E-08     | 0                   | 6,28E-06    | MND                          |

| OTHER OUTPUT FLOWS   |               |                            |                 |           |                |           |                |                  |                           |                          |                                |              |                     |             |                              |
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|  Components for re-use<br><i>kg/FU</i>         | 0             | 0                          | 0               | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |
|  Materials for recycling<br><i>kg/FU</i>       | 0             | 0                          | 5,25E-02        | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |
|  Materials for energy recovery<br><i>kg/FU</i> | 0             | 0                          | 0               | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |
|  Exported energy<br><i>MJ/FU</i>               | 0             | 0                          | 0               | 0         | 0              | 0         | 0              | 0                | 0                         | 0                        | 0                              | 0            | 0                   | 0           | MND                          |

# LCA interpretation

The following figure refers to a functional unit 1 m<sup>2</sup> of mineral wool with a thermal resistance of 1.0 K\*m<sup>2</sup>\*W<sup>-1</sup> of PLF ISOVER product.



[1] This indicator corresponds to the abiotic depletion potential of fossil resources.

[2] This indicator corresponds to the total use of primary energy.

[3] This indicator corresponds to the use of net fresh water.

[4] This indicator corresponds to the sum of hazardous, non-hazardous and radioactive waste disposed.

## Global Warming Potential (Climate Change) (GWP)

When analyzing the above figure for GWP, it can clearly be seen that the majority of contribution to this environmental impact is from the production modules (A1 – A3). This is primarily because the sources of greenhouse gas emissions are predominant in this part of the life cycle. CO<sub>2</sub> is generated upstream from the production of electricity and is also released on site by the combustion of natural gas. We can see that other sections of the life cycle also contribute to the GWP; however, the production modules contribute to over 94% of the contribution. Combustion of fuel in transport vehicles will generate the second highest percentage of greenhouse gas emissions together the waste during the installation stage.

## Non-renewable resources consumptions

We can see that the consumption of non – renewable resources is once more found to have the highest value in the production modules. This is because a large quantity of natural gas is consumed within the factory, and non – renewable fuels such as natural gas and coal are used to generate the large amount of electricity we use. The contribution to this impact from the other modules is very small and primarily due to the non – renewable resources consumed during transportation.



### Energy Consumptions

As we can see, modules A1 – A3 have the highest contribution to total energy consumption. Energy in the form of electricity and natural gas is consumed in a vast quantity during the manufacture of mineral wool so we would expect the production modules to contribute the most to this impact category.

### Water Consumption

As we don't use water in any of the other modules (A4 – A5, B1 – B7, C1 – C4), we can see that there is no contribution to water consumption. For the production phase, water is used within the manufacturing facility and therefore we see the highest contribution here. However, we recycle a lot of the water on site so the contribution is still relatively low.

### Waste Production

Waste production does not follow the same trend as the above environmental impacts. The largest contributor is the end of life module. This is because the entire product is sent to landfill once it reaches the end of life state. However, there is still an impact associated with the production module since we do generate waste on site. The following small impact associated with installation is due to the loss rate of product during implementation.

## Influence of particular thicknesses of PLF ISOVER

All the tables of the LCA result chapter of this EPD refer to ISOVER PLF ISOVER for a functional unit of 1 m<sup>2</sup> with a thermal resistance equals to 1.00 m<sup>2</sup> K/W with a thickness of 35 mm. For the rest of thickness, a conservative principal has been followed in order to obtain the environmental performance of others thickness.

The following table show the multiplication factors for each thickness. The results expressed in this EPD® must be multiplied by its corresponding multiplication factor. If there is a need for environmental performance for a thickness not presented in the table below, please use a thickness just above it.

To obtain this factor, a conservative principle has been followed, being the real impact of the product slightly lower than that indicated in the table.

| Lambda (W/mK) | Thickness (mm) | Declared thermal resistance RD (m2.K/W) | Multiplication factor |
|---------------|----------------|---|-----------------------|
| <b>0.035</b>  | <b>35</b>      | <b>1.00</b>                             | <b>1.00</b>           |
| 0.035         | 40             | 1.10                                    | 1.14                  |
| 0.035         | 50             | 1.40                                    | 1.43                  |
| 0.035         | 80             | 2.25                                    | 2.29                  |
| 0.035         | 100            | 2.85                                    | 2.96                  |

## Annex

### Calculation of PLA ISOVER impacts

All the tables of the LCA result chapter of this EPD refer to PLF ISOVER for a functional unit of 1 m<sup>2</sup> with a thermal resistance equals to 1.00 m<sup>2</sup> K/W with a thickness of 35 mm. The results expressed in this EPD® must be multiplied by its corresponding multiplication factor to obtain the environmental performances of PLA ISOVER products.

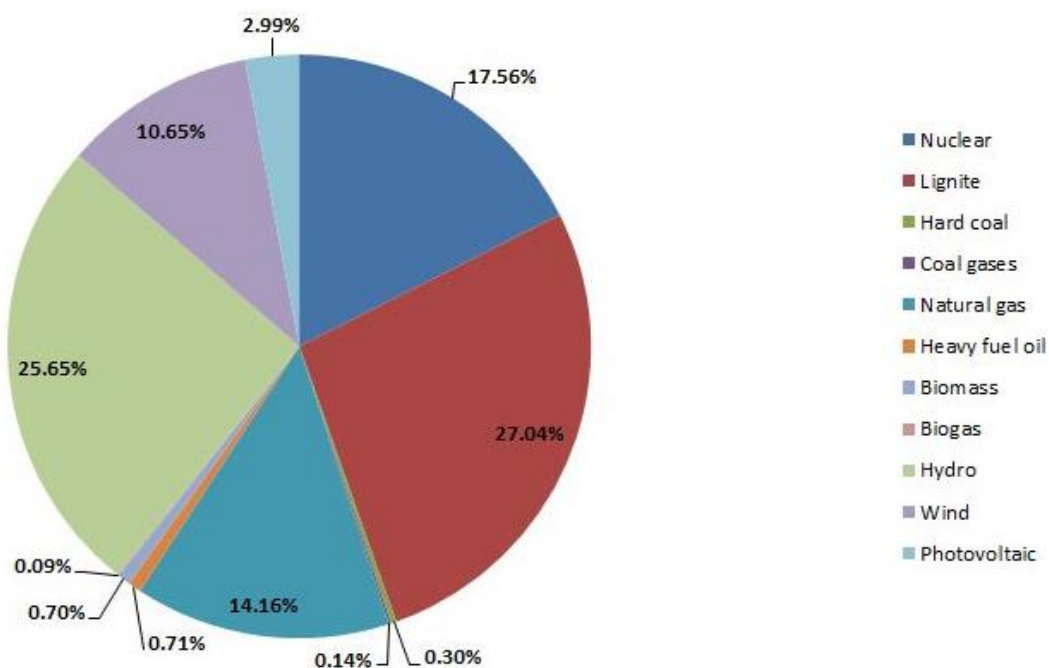
The following table show the multiplication factors for each thickness of PLA ISOVER product. In order to obtain this factor, a conservative principle has been followed, being the real impact of the product slightly lower than that indicated in the table. If there is a need for environmental performance for a thickness not presented in the table below, please use a thickness just above it.

| Lambda (W/mK) | Thickness (mm) | Declared thermal resistance RD (m <sup>2</sup> .K/W) | Multiplication factor |
|---------------|----------------|--|-----------------------|
| 0.035         | 50             | 1.40   | 1.19                  |
| 0.035         | 60             | 1.70   | 1.43                  |
| 0.035         | 80             | 2.25   | 1.90                  |
| 0.035         | 100            | 2.85   | 2.38                  |

## Electricity description

| TYPE OF INFORMATION                                   | DESCRIPTION  |
|---|--|
| Location  | Representative of average production in Romania  |
| Geographical representativeness description           | Split of energy sources in Romania<br>- Nuclear: 17.56%<br>- Lignite: 27.04%<br>- Hard coal: 0.30%<br>- Coal gases: 0.14%<br>- Natural gas: 14.16%<br>- Heavy fuel oil: 0.71%<br>- Biomass: 0.70%<br>- Biogas: 0.09%<br>- Hydro: 25.65%<br>- Wind: 10.65%<br>- Photovoltaic: 2.99% |
| Reference year  | 2016   |
| Type of data set                                      | Cradle to gate from Thinkstep database   |
| Source  | Gabi database v2020 from International Energy Agency -2015   |
| CO <sub>2</sub> emission kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq. / kWh | 0.462  |

### Electricity Mix - Romania - RO - 2015



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