

Latest news

One Click LCA's acquisition of SimaPro: what risks for LCA transparency?

The announcement of **One Click LCA's acquisition of PRé Sustainability** and therefore their LCA software **SimaPro**, marks an important turning point in the LCA tool ecosystem. While this consolidation promises **technological synergies**, it raises legitimate questions about the **future of the LCA practice with SimaPro**.

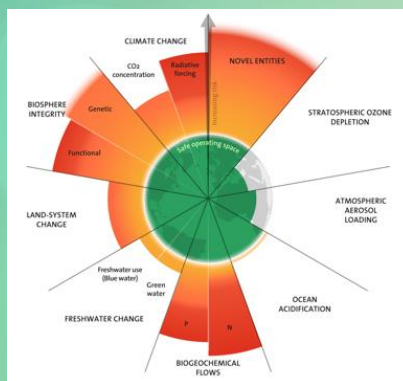
For decades, SimaPro, together with detailed ecoinvent data, has been the benchmark for transparency in LCA. The software gives users access to all underlying data, calculation methods and LCA assumptions implementation. This approach is **fundamental to scientific credibility**. It enables a **full application of ISO 14044 requirements, handling value choices**, and supports critical reviews of LCA studies and verification of results. Modeling in SimaPro enables to fulfil all applications of LCA (strategy, ecodesign, research, EPD...), in all industrial sectors. It also enables to answer regulatory requirements of future European Regulations, including full transparency. Transparency is not just a technical issue, **it supports credibility**. One Click LCA, despite its ergonomic qualities and ease of use to generate EPD for the construction sector, **cannot replace SimaPro in many LCA applications**.

This acquisition raises an immediate question: **what is the future of SimaPro?** Will it remain supported and continuously developed as before, providing the expected level of transparency in LCA modeling? Will it remain operated on PC or become a web based tool? Web based tool might be questioned when dealing with confidential data. It is also an issue for studies by companies which do not want anybody, including OneClickLCA, knows about their studies. Depending on the evolution of SimaPro, LCA users, including universities and research centers, accustomed to SimaPro possibilities, **may need to use other tools that suit their fundamental research needs...** when the change of LCA tools is not a piece of cake. For sure, they will monitor the evolution of Simapro. If you'd like to know more what this milestone means for your organization: [join the live webinar on Thursday, October 2, 2025, at 15:00 CET.](#)

7th Planetary boundary crossed

The **Ocean Acidification** planetary boundary has just been breached! All of these seven boundaries **show worsening trends**.

Let's continue to practice and spread LCA based strategies which reduce our environmental impacts and fix these breaches!



→ Don't miss the webinar on the **evolution of standardization and weighting factors** (PEF, planetary boundaries) from 2024-04 SCORE LCA study on 15th October at 4pm.

PEF TAB discussion

A major PEF TAB meeting will be held next 6 and 7th of October in Brussels.

The following topics will be addressed, including **some covered by SCORE LCA works**: general update about EF, **data quality requirements, carbon**, Electricity, Transport, **Mass balance**, allocation, **end of Life**, link between EF and circular economy, **ADP (resources) indicator**, microplastics and toxicity, **biodiversity, normalization** **an weighting, review and verification**, data interoperability, additionality, communication.

Newsletter

Life Cycle Assessment

Research program 2026

The SCORE LCA research program for 2026 is voted!

STUDIES

Standards and regulations inspired by LCA
Impact methods and uncertainties: how to draw conclusions?

Copper resource

Reuse in LCA

Prospective LCA - Development of LCI data enabling the performance of prospective LCAs

4 workshops were also selected :

WORKSHOPS

Water footprint workshop: managing water inventories in LCA

PEF (changes following last methodological work)

Taking microplastic and nanoplastic pollution (and other new pollutants) into account in LCA

Evaluating control chains in LCA

Other highlights of 2026 :

- Early 2026 : public **webinar on LCA & IA** (about how IA can help LCA and what is the environmental impact of IA?)
- **SCORE LCA seminar** on 19th March 2026

SCORE LCA seminar program

- o Taking **forests** into account in LCA
- o Methodological recommendations for the LCA of **E-Fuels**
- o LCA and **critical materials**
- o Conditions of applicability of the Circular Footprint Formula
- o LCA and **sustainable purchasing**

MCV 2025 workshops

If you participate to MCV 2025, you can register for free to different workshops organised by the CyVi Group at the University of Bordeaux on **Monday 17th November**:

- o **Workshop 1:** Driving sustainable transformation - Hybrid approaches to **environmental accounting**
- o **Workshop 2:** Best Practice Reporting in Life Cycle Assessment of **Emerging Technologies**
- o **Workshop 3:** Python tools to overcome the limitations of traditional LCA software
- o **Workshop 4:** Integrating **Criticality Aspects of Raw Materials** into LCA using the GeoPolRisk method

Other workshops during MCV 2025:

- o Workshop 1: **Life Cycle Challenge**
- o Workshop 2: **Construction Product and Battery Regulations: Programs, Declaration Verification and Automation Potential**
- o Workshop 3: **Scores Fresco**
- o Workshop 4: **Eco-design Fresco**
- o Workshop 5: **Space Fresco**

Upcoming events

30 sept -
2 Oct 2025

From less bad to good enough
(Helsingor, Denmark)

18-19 Nov
2025

Second edition of MCV
(Bordeaux)

19 March 2026

SCORE LCA seminar
(PARIS)

17 - 21 May
2026

SETAC Europe 36th Annual Meeting
(Maastricht, Netherlands)

1 - 3 July
2026

LCIC 2026
(Berlin, Germany)