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### **Circular Economy for Packaging**

To create a circular economy for packaging we need to:

- Design out waste at the start
- Harmonise packaging design standards
- Ensure all packaging is recycle ready
- Eliminate Chemicals of Concern
- Reduce virgin materials as much as possible
- Eliminate problematic materials
- Re-use materials for as long as possible

The objective is keep all packaging out of landfill, the waterways and the environment and to ensure that we stay within our planetary boundaries.





Global Packaging **Design for** Recycling Guideline

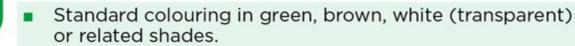




### **Global Packaging Design for Recycling Guide**

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#### Glass



- Regular three-component packing glass (quartz sand, soda, limestone).
- Engravings and paper labels (wet-strength).



- No packaging glass, such as heat-resistant glass (e.g.: boro-silicate glass).
- Lead crystal, cryolite glass.
- Ceramic parts.
- Full-surface, colour-coated bottles.
- Full-surface sleeves.
- Permanently adhesive and large-area plastic labels.





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#### Aluminium



#### Non-ferrous metal parts

- Direct printing process.
- Embossing or direct printing.
- Paint coating.
- Closures made of aluminium



- Aluminium in material composite.<sup>6</sup>
- Non-compliant colours.
- Aerosol cans with hydrocarbon substance-based propellants and/or residual content.











### EU Design Recommendations

## Methodology to assess recyclability of packaging in the framework of the PPPWR



Technical recommendations on possible elements and parameters of a methodology to assess recyclability of packaging in the framework of the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation Proposal

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*Listing the essential elements and parameters of a methodology to assess recyclability of packaging* 

Egle, L., Pierri, E., Gaudillat, P., Gallo, F., Mathieux, F., Saveyn, H.

2024



Better quality of life, through better packaging, for more people

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#### **NEW Sustainability & Save Food Case Studies**











Based in Sydney, BioPak apecialises in designing, producing and distributing packaging made from rapidly renewable plant-based materials. They are committed to adopting and promoting best practices aligned with the triple bottom line: People, Planet, Ponla. BioPak











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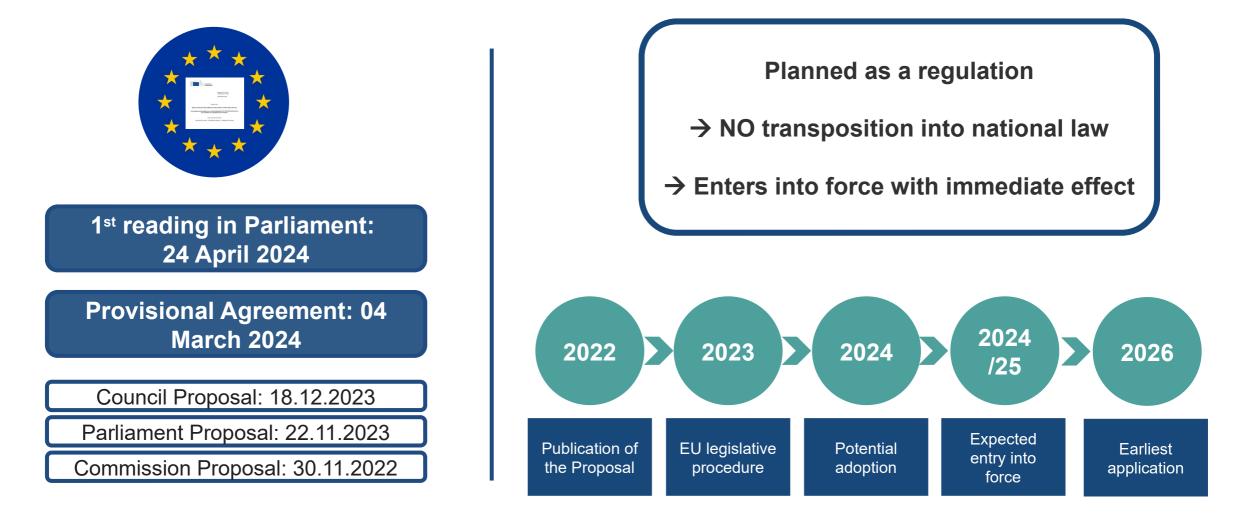


### **Strategies for a Transition to Circular Economy**

Navigating the final PPWR version – key measures and latest changes

Lina Wimmer

### Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR)



**Strategies for a Transition to Circular Economy** 

### Waste Prevention (Art. 43)

Member States' packaging waste reduction targets (per capita, base year 2018\*):

- 5% until 2030 ( $\rightarrow$  effective reduction by **19%**)
- 10% until 2035 ( $\rightarrow$  effective reduction by **29%**)
- 15% until 2040 ( $\rightarrow$  effective reduction by **37%**)

\* Member States can apply to the Commission until 2025 that a base year other than 2018 is used for the calculation

 $\rightarrow$  7 years after entry into force, the need to set specific targets for certain packaging materials will be reviewed.

### Recyclable Packaging (Art. 6/ Annex II)

- All packaging placed on the European market must be recyclable!
- 2-stage approach:
  - packaging is designed for material recycling (DfR) (secondary material of sufficient quality)
     → at the earliest in 2030 or 2 years after the delegated acts enter into force (planned for 2028)
  - packaging must be additionally effectively collected, sorted and recovered
     ("recycled at scale")
     → at the earliest from 2035 or 5 years after the implementing acts enter into force
     (planned for 2030)
- Excemptions: until 2035 special packaging (e.g. medicinal products) from 2030 innovative packaging (max. 5 years)



### Recyclable Packaging (Art. 6/ Annex II)

- recyclability <70%: technically nonrecyclable → cannot be placed on the market
- 2038: Grade C can no longer be placed on the market

Recyclability Performance Grades	Assessment of recyclability per unit, in weight	
Grade A	95%	
Grade B	80%	
Grade C	70%	
Technically non- recyclable	70%	

Annex II, Table 2



# Minimum Recycled Content in Plastic Packaging

- From 2030 (or 3 years after the implementing act comes into force) all plastic components of packaging placed on the market must contain a minimum recycled content (PCR)
- Per packaging type and format (see Annex II, Table 1) calculated as an average per manufacturing plant and year

Packaging Type	2030	2040
Contact sensitive packaging with PET as main component	30%	50%
<b>Contact sensitive packaging</b> (except for PET and single-use plastic beverage bottles)	10%	25%
Single-use plastic beverage bottles	30%	65%
other plastic packaging	35%	65%

	Not applicable for
•	plastic packaging intended to come into <b>contact</b> with <b>food</b> , if the amount <b>of recycled content poses a risk</b> <b>to human health</b> and results in the packaged products not complying with Regulation (EC) 1935/2004
•	for each <b>plastic part</b> that accounts for <b>less than 5%</b> of the total weight of the entire packaging unit.
•	Packaging of medical products
•	Compostable plastic packaging
•	hazardous goods
•	Packaging for infant formula

### Reuse (Art. 11, Art. 26 und Art. 27)

Reusable packaging must be conceived, designed and placed on the market in such a way that it can be reused **several times** 

Product	2030	2040	
<b>Non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages</b> (excl. milk, wine and spirits)	10%	40%	
Transport and sales packaging* for transport within the territory of the Union, intercompany and (including e-commerce)	at least 40% at least 70%		
Transport packaging/ sales packaging used for transport within the EU for intercompany and linked/partner companies	100%		
B2B transport packaging within a Member State	100%		

\*Pallets, collapsible plastic crates, cartons, trays, plastic boxes, bulk containers, buckets, drums and canisters of all sizes and materials, including flexible formats or pallet wraps or straps to stabilise and protect the products carried on the pallets during transport

### Packaging Minimisation (Art. 10/ Art. 24/ Annex IV)

#### By 01 January 2030

- Packaging weight and volume as low as necessary
- The safety and functionality of the packaging must continue to be guaranteed
- Prohibition of misleading packaging (double walls, double bottoms...)
- **Reusability** of the packaging must be considered
- e-commerce, transport and collective packaging:
  - Empty space must be reduced to the necessary minimum (empty space ratio 50% - per packaging unit)





### What is still missing?



**IRCULAR ANALYTICS** Strategies for a Transition to Circular Economy



- Subsequent publication
- Earliest application (18M) → mid 2026

Autumn 2024 Adoption of the final version by the European Council

#### Autumn 2024

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ENVI Committee and (new) EU Parliament must adopt the final version after the corrigendum procedure (only a formality, but the new Parliament is not bound)

#### April – June 2024

- Linguistic-legal examination
- Translation to all 24 official languages of the EU

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### Sustainable Packaging Design Impacts and Indicators

**Manfred Tacker** 

### PPWR – KPIs & Design - Impacts

✓ Weight

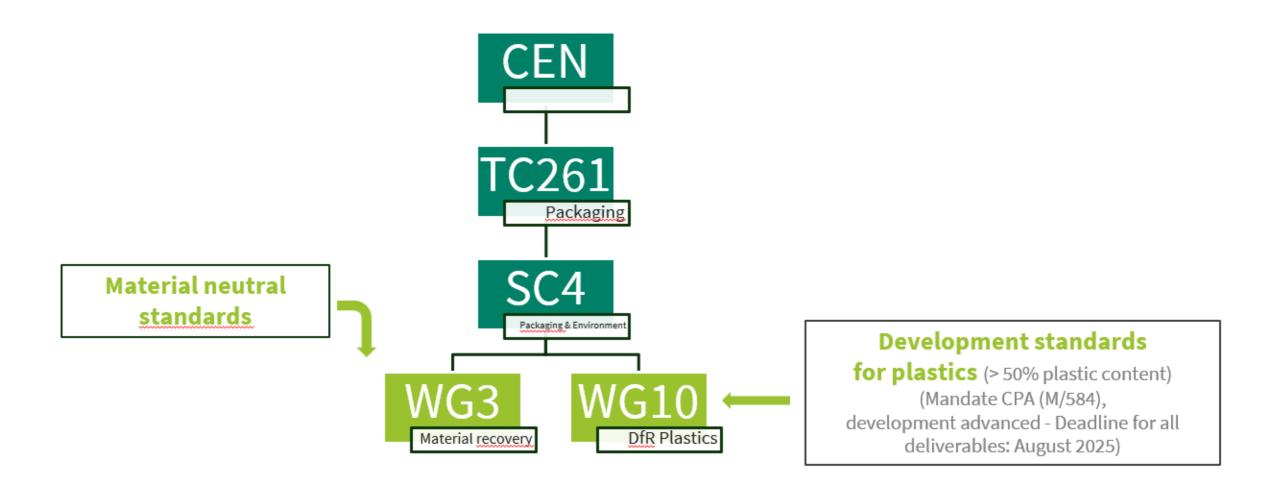
✓ Recyclability (70% min)

NEW SET OF KPIs

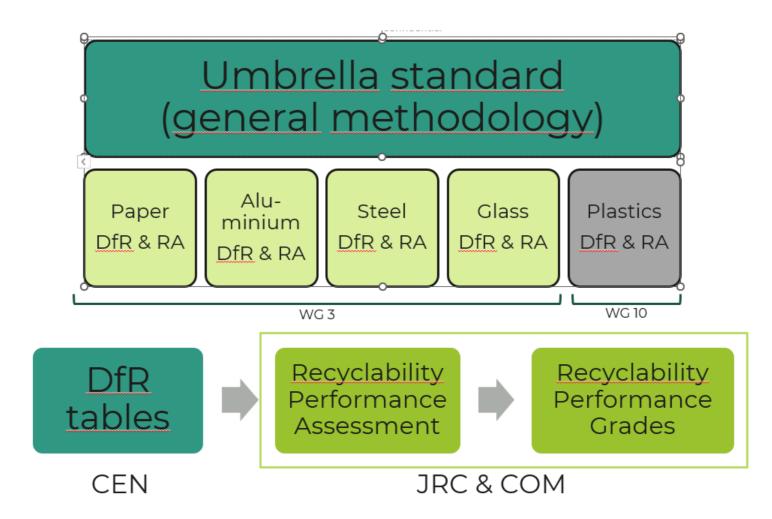
- ✓ DfR criteria fulfilled -> exact composition
- ✓ Carbon footprint
- ✓ Recyclate quality (circularity vs. recyclability)
- ✓ Recyclate content
- ✓ Emptiability of packaging



### Standards Development CEN



### Standardisation Recyclability CEN TC 261/SC4





### Design for Sustainability - Rules

- 1. Ensure product protection
- 2. Calculate packaging KPIs for packaging (holistic sustainability assessment)
  - Recyclability
  - Packaging weight
  - Carbon Footprint
  - Emptiability
  - Others: recyclate content, renewables content ...
- 3. Benchmark calculate against competetive packaging
- 4. Optimize packaging KPIs



### Conclusion

PPWR – requires set of sustainability indicators

### Sustainable packaging – holistic concept

- Recyclability + Minimisation of environmental footprint (LCA)
- Packaging minimisation
- Harmonisation of recyclability assessment (CEN)
- Data flow along the whole supply chain



### **A Roadmap to Compliance** Guidance on ensuring fitness for PPWR

**Charlotte Werner** 

# New legal requirements: challenges and opportunities for the European industry

#### REPORT

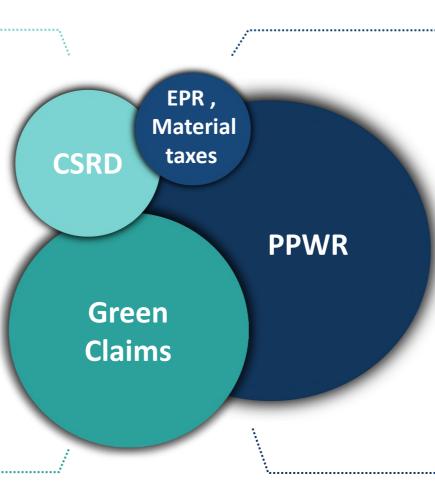
Data collection and sustainability reporting becomes mandatory and extends beyond the boundaries of your own company.

- Sustainable corporate management
- Environmental aspects
- Double materiality and due diligence

#### RETHINK

No environmental claim shall be unsubstantiated or of unspecific origin.

Marketing with environmental benefits must be as specific as possible



#### REDUCE

Focus on the reduction of virgin materials and incentivizing recyclable packaging.

#### RECYCLE

Revision of the packaging strategy and actualization of targets in accordance with the PPWR.

Assessment of the packaging portfolio based on sustainability indicators will be necessary.

- Recyclability
- Recyclate content
- Minimisation requirement
- Reuse/-filling

### Consequences for the Packaging Value Chain

A new set of packaging management parameters

- ✓ Packaging weight
- ✓ Recyclability (minimum 70%)
- Fulfillment of DfR criteria  $\rightarrow$  packaging composition
- ✓ Carbon footprint/ CO₂ balance
- ✓ Quality of recyclates (circularity vs. recyclability)
- ✓ Recyclate content
- ✓ Emptiability

**IRCULAR ANALYTICS** Strategies for a Transition to Circular Economy

### **Compliance with PPWR**

PPWR

Evaluation of the **performance of packaging** based on the required sustainability indicators.

#### Comprehensive optimisation of packaging

- Minimisation of resource consumption
- Improvement of recyclability

Continuous monitoring of sustainability parameters will become essential.

### Check of the current situation – Packaging Benchmarking



#### **1. Project partners**

- University of Applied Science Campus Vienna
- Circular Analytics
- 2. Project content & objectives
  - Packaging Assessment based on ecological criteria
  - Methodology: Holistic Sustainability Assessment
  - Compliance with PPWR

#### 3. Participating companies

- Dairy and cosmetics producers
- Retailers
- Associations

#### 4. Other information

- Project periode: 2023
- 9 product categories
- 440 packaging
- Next: convenience food



### Packaging Benchmarking

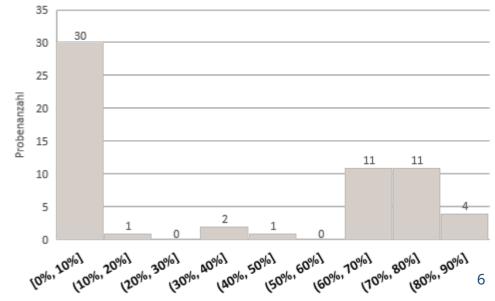
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Fibre-based aluminium Rigid PP-Trays compounds

© Circular Analytics Rigid plastic trays with cardboard decoration



Glass



#### Environment

- Direct impact
- Indirect Impact
- Certified materials
- Packaging Efficiency

#### Circularity

- Consumer action
- Recyclability
- Recycling content
- Rewenable materials

#### PACKAGING BENCHMARKING APPROACH

By implementing this benchmarking approach, the industry can gain insights into its sustainability performance, facilitating compliance with the new regulation and contributing to a circular future.

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**IRCULAR ANALYTICS** Strategies for a Transition to Circular Economy

# Are your ready for the PPWR transition?

Awareness of the implications of the current legislation for your company and do you know what obligations you will face?

Requirements from your customers to prove the recyclability or carbon footprint of the packaging?

Are relevant packaging sustainability parameters of each packaging in the packaging portfolio known?

Are you planning to adapt your packaging management to the new market requirements and by when?

#### How to act now?



Assessing the **current status of packaging** using key sustainability parameters



Reviewing the materiality of packaging - is so much needed for product protection?



Continuous evaluation of sustainability parameters to ensure alignment with regulatory demands

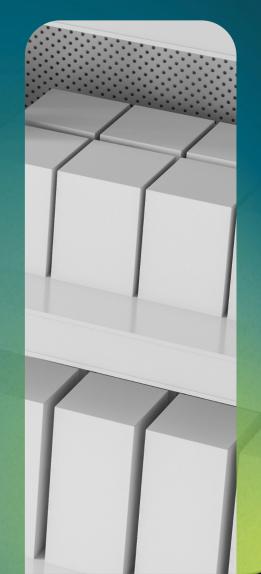
### Challenges for Data Management and Material Security

What PPWR Means for Retailers and Brand Owners

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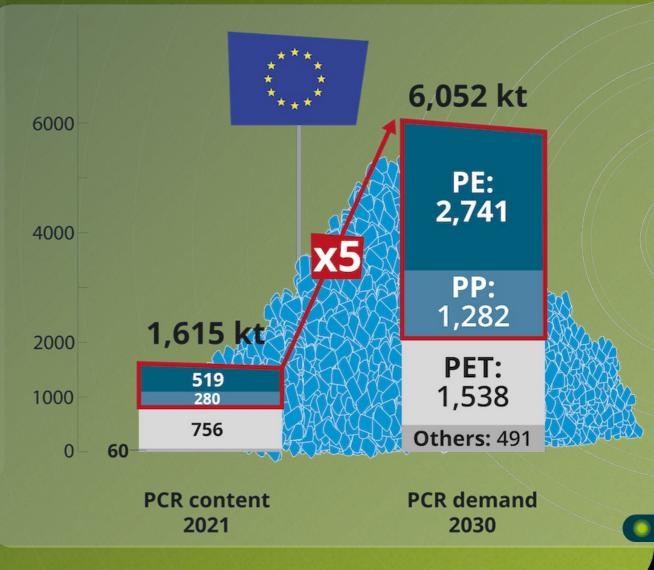
#### Packaging Data



## Material Security

#### Expected market changes

- Demand will increase massively
- Recycling capacity / supply in Europe will increase, but probably not fast enough
- Limiting factors: time, quality and material access
- Market development regarding imports unclear
- Increased substitution of plastic packaging by fiber-based packaging with plastic content <5%</li>











## **PrezeroSPOT** in cooperation with Packaging Cockpit



#### **Packaging Sustainability**

No longer optional

#### **PPWR**

Ban on non-recyclable packaging, use of recyclates, re-use and minimization

#### **Additional Costs**

Eco-modulation and plastic taxes

#### **Net Zero**

Focus on CO<sub>2</sub> reduction in CSR strategies





### **Additional Costs**

Example for Germany





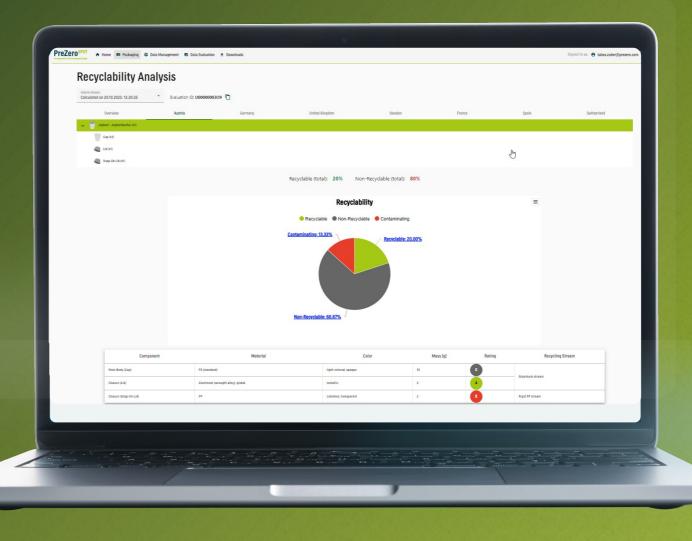
### PPWR

## More Data to manage

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## **Key Features**

for your packaging optimization





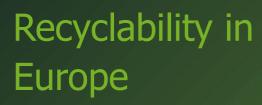


### Key Features Overview

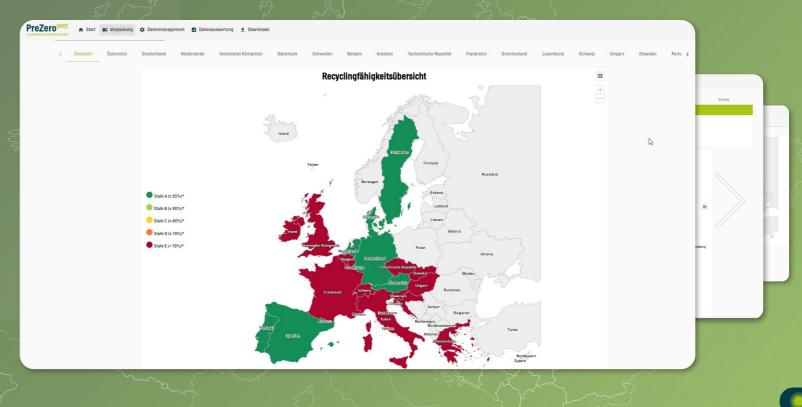
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## All Relevant Packaging KPIs



Get an overview of the different regulations and infrastructures of all EU countries



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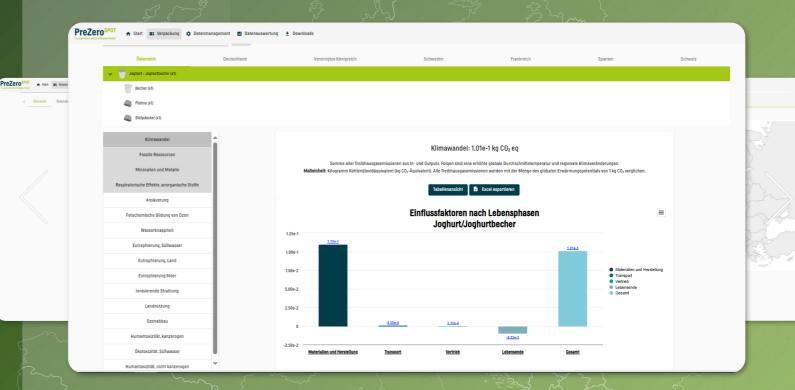
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## All Relevant Packaging KPIs



### LCA: Carbon Footprint

Calculate the CO<sub>2</sub>-footprint of your packaging and get a comprehensive overview of other relevant impact categories



## All Relevant Packaging KPIs

#### Fees and Taxes

Analyze relevant costs for packaging such as plastic taxes and license fees

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## Modular Packaging Structure

Assemble & reuse complex packaging systems consisting of primary and shipping packaging in a modular system in a time-efficient manner

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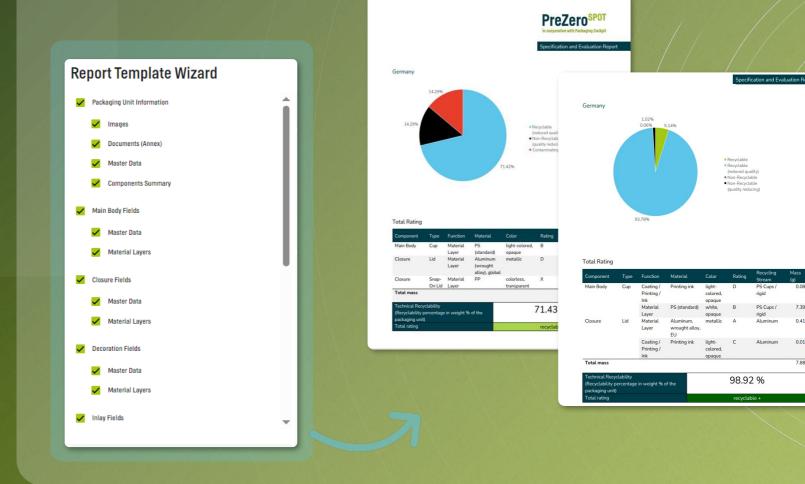


### Smart Reports

Easy Creation

Customize the reports individually to your needs with the smart Template Wizard

Comprehensive reports with different levels of detail can be created



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## Easy Data Management

#### Entire value chain

Imports, exports, tags, portfolio analyzes and user profiles: the management of your packaging data and the cooperation in the value chain becomes much easier.

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### **Reliable Standards**

#### PreZero SPOT is based on the standards of

- the Circular Packaging Design Guidelines of the FH Campus Wien and
- the Packaging Design for Recycling Guideline of the World Packaging Organization and ECR.
- The analysis considers country-specific disposal structures, making the standard compliant with the German Minimum Standard for the recyclability of packaging, issued by the Central Office Packaging Register
- Easy identification of differences from country to country.
- Calculation of Life Cycle Assessments is based on data from EcoInvent and has been checked by Fraunhofer UMSICHT





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