

FEICA Updates European Model Environmental Product Declarations (Model EPDs)

FEICA Model EPDs demonstrate the environmental credentials of adhesives and sealants in construction.



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Sustainable development is of great significance in the construction industry as architects and green procurement bodies are increasingly demanding products that meet international sustainability standards. The Construction Products Regulation (CPR) 305/2011 of the European Parliament and European Council included the requirement for “sustainability,” and Belgium and France have national legislation requiring Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) for construction products with an environmental claim.

Since 2016, FEICA has been offering “FEICA Model Environmental Product Declarations (Model EPDs),” which can be used by construction products manufacturers to prove the environmental impact of their products. Therefore, the choice of adhesive and sealant products available to architects and green procurement bodies has also significantly increased.

The expansion of the range of products with Model EPDs gives SMEs improved access to a market that is otherwise available only to some and leads to significant cost and time savings for companies. The Model EPDs are originally based on an initiative of the German Adhesives Association (IVK), Deutsche Bauchemie (DBC) and Der Verband der deutschen Lack und Druckfarbenindustrie e.V. (VdL).

As they are valid only for a maximum of six years; the 2016 versions needed to be updated. FEICA and its partners therefore undertook a joint project to revise and extend them, as well as to extend the scope for additional substances and formulations.

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