# **ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION**

as per /ISO 14025/ and /EN 15804/

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# ADFORS Vertex<sup>®</sup> (0.16 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) SAINT-GOBAIN ADFORS, CZ s.r.o.



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## **General Information**

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Declaration number EPD-SGA-20190024-CBA1-EN	Declared product / declared unit 1 m <sup>2</sup> of glasfiber mesh ADFORS Vertex® with the grammage of 0,16 kg/m <sup>2</sup> . This EPD declares a specific product from the manufacturer's plant.					
This declaration is based on the product category rules: Glass Reinforcement Mesh, 07.2014 (PCR checked and approved by the SVR)	Scope: This document refers to the manufacture of Vertex ® glass fibre mesh by SAINT-GOBAIN ADFORS CZ s.r.o. This product is produced in the manufacturing plant in Litomyšl in the Czech Republic, in which the production data for 2017 was recorded. This EPD declares the life cycle analysis (LCA) for a specific product.					
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## **Product description / Product definition**

The product is a glass fibre mesh which is half leno woven fabrics made of glass fibres. To provide resistance to alkali conditions, the strands are coated by an organic layer. The product is delivered as ready to use rolls. The product is sold under the brand name ADFORS Vertex<sup>®</sup> or a private name. This EPD is a so called average EPD, so it covers the full range of ADFORS meshes.

For the placing of the product on the market in the European Union/European Free Trade Association (EU/EFTA) (with the exception of Switzerland) the Regulation (EU) No. 305/2011 Construction Product Rule (CPR)/ applies. The product needs a declaration of performance taking into consideration /ETA 13/0392/, 2/7/2018, EAD 040016-00-0404/ Glass fibre mesh for reinforcement of cement-based renderings. For the application and use the respective national provisions apply.

### Application

ADFORS Vertex® glass fibre meshes serve as a reinforcement of constructions. There are several typical applications:

## REINFORCEMENT FABRICS FOR EXTERNAL FAÇADE SYSTEMS AND THERMAL INSULATION COMPOSITE SYSTEMS (ETICS)

Glass-fibre mesh fabrics are used as a thermal insulation composite façade system reinforcement complying with the high strength requirements of the **European Electrical Products Certification Association** (ETICS) system. The fabrics meet the requirements of the European standard /ETAG 004/ that defines the minimum residual tensile strength following exposure to alkaline substances.

## REINFORCEMENT FABRICS FOR INTERIOR PLASTERS

Mesh fabrics can be used for reinforcement of interior plasters as well. They protect the plaster against



cracking. They are mainly applied in locations, where two types of materials with different expansion coefficient come into contact, i.e. in locations with high crack formation potential. The mesh fabrics covering such location absorb the tensions.

OTHER EXAMPLES OF FABRICS APPLICATION Mesh fabrics are used also for fabrication of building elements. For example, structural boards are reinforced with fabrics on both sides. Mesh fabrics are broadly used in the marble processing industry mainly for the production of large or low-stability marble boards that are supported with mesh fabrics in the bottom.

## **Technical Data**

The technical specifications are specified in accordance with information in the declaration of performance.

### **Constructional data**

Name	Value	Unit
Tensile strength in delivered state (warp / weft - minimal)) acc. to /EAD 040016-00-0404:2016/	1900 / 1900	N/5cm
Elongation in delivered state (warp / weft - maximal) acc. to /EAD 040016-00-0404:2016/	5 / 3,8	%
Alkali resistance (warp / weft - minimal) acc. to /EAD 040016-00- 0404:2016/	1000 / 1000	N/5cm

Product according to the CPR, based on an European Technical Approval (ETA): performance data of the product in accordance with the declaration of performance with respect to its essential characteristics according to /ETA 13/0392/, 2/7/2018, /EAD 040016-00-0404/ Glass fibre mesh for reinforcement of cement based renderings.

## LCA: Calculation rules

### **Declared Unit**

This declaration refers to the production of 1 m<sup>2</sup> of Vertex Mesh ® fiberglass mesh with the grammage of 0,16 kg/m<sup>2</sup>.

### **Declared unit**

Name	Value	Unit
Declared unit	1	m <sup>2</sup>
Grammage	0.16	kg/m <sup>2</sup>
Conversion factor to 1 kg	6.25	-

### System boundary

It represents a "cradle-to-gate" EPD with options.

The following life cycle stages are considered: Production

A1-A3 - Raw material supply, transport and manufacturing

#### thanks to its good strength characteristics maintained also following exposure to alkaline substances

three main phases:

included in façade systems.

•The second production phase consists of glass-fibre weaving, where "greige fabrics" is produced. Leno weave method is used for mesh fabric production.

**Base materials / Ancillary materials** 

ADFORS Vertex® mesh fabrics (0,13 kg/m<sup>2</sup> glass

fibres and 0,03 kg/m<sup>2</sup> organic coating based on selfcrosslinking styrene butadiene rubber) are produced in

In the first phase, glass fibres are produced by melting

of input materials followed by drawing and coiling. E

(Eutal type) glass is used for the purpose of mesh

fabric production in accordance with /DIN 1259-1/

• The third phase is the hardening process, in which a finishing layer is applied to the greige fabric. There are two purposes of the finish:

1) Fabric fixation for its easy use and workability. 2) Glass protection in alkaline environment (e.g. base layers of the ETICS thermal insulation system).

The fabric does not contain any substances of very high concern (SVHC).

#### **Reference service life**

The reference service life (RSL) is not declared. A calculation according to /ISO 15686/ is not applied. The product is typically used as a part of an ETICS. If the whole system is well maintained, the life time is over 50 years.

## Installation

A4 - Transport to building site A5 - Initial installation into building (including packaging waste processing) End-of-life C2 - Transport to waste processing,

C4 – Disposal (landfilling)

Benefits and loads beyond the product system boundary

D - Reuse-, recovery- or recycling- potential

## Comparability

Basically, a comparison or an evaluation of EPD data is only possible if all the data sets to be compared were created according to /EN 15804/ and the building context, respectively the product-specific characteristics of performance, are taken into account.

GaBi ts serves as background database for the calculation /GaBi ts/.

## LCA: Scenarios and additional technical information

The following technical information is the basis for the declared modules.

Transport to the building site (A4)



Name	Value	Unit
Litres of fuel (per kg cargo)	0.00171	l/100km
Transport distance	700	km
Capacity utilisation (including empty runs)	85	%

## Installation in the building (A5)

The following packaging materials are considered on construction site:

Name	Value	Unit
PE stretch film (40 MJ/kg*)	0,0006	kg/m²
Carton (13 MJ/kg*)	0,005	kg/m²
Wooden pallet (12 MJ/kg*)	0,012	kg/m²
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\*Heating value

The amount of installation waste is not declared in this EPD. For calculation of the environmental impact of the product including installation waste, the values for the production stage (A1-A3) and end of life (C4, D) have to be multiplied with the amount of waste (e.g. 2% installation waste, factor 1.02)

## End of life (C1-C4)

Name	Value	Unit
Collected as mixed construction	0.16	kg
waste	0.10	Ng
Landfilling (100 % scenario)	0.16	kg
Transport to End of life (C1)	50	km
Capacity utilisation (including empty runs)	85	%
Litres of fuel (per kg cargo)	0,00171	l/100 km

# Reuse, recovery and/or recycling potentials (D), relevant scenario information

For module D the potential benefits given in module A5 are declared. For waste incineration combustion in a WIP (R1 > 0.6) with energy recuperation is considered.



## LCA: Results

The following table depicts the results of the indicators concerning the estimated impact, use of resources as well as waste and other output flows in relation to 1 m<sup>2</sup> of Vertex B with the grammage of 0,16 kg/m<sup>2</sup>. As End of life scenario (EoL) landfilling is considered in C4.

In the table "Description of the system boundary", all declared modules are indicated with an "X"; all modules that are not declared are indicated with "MND". As default the modules B3, B4, B5 are marked as MNR – module not relevant.

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## /EAD 040016-00-0404/

Glass fibre mesh for reinforcement of cement based renderings

## /ETAG 004/

External Thermal Insulation Composite Systems (ETICS) with rendering

/ETA 13/0392/

Glass fibre meshes for reinforcement of cement based renderings



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Terminology for glass types and groups

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