

Dictionary

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ADEME

Agence de l'Environnement et de la Maîtrise de l'Energie.

French Environment and Energy Management Agency.

/ www.ademe.fr

Adiabatic cooling

Nebulisation system which cools down the air temperature.

AWEX

Agence wallonne à l'Exportation et aux investissements étrangers.

Walloon organisation for export support and international investments.

/ www.awex.be

Best Managed Companies

Annual competition organised by Deloitte, VNO-NCW, Chamber of Commerce, TiasNimbas Business School and Management Team for the best managed companies within the Dutch medium sized and large enterprises.

Big Blue model

Centre of expertise and room for inspiration around sustainability by Van Marcke.

/ www.bigblue.be

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centre for
sustainable
design

C2C

Abbreviation of 'Cradle to Cradle'.

Certisys

The first Belgian inspection and certification body specialized in organic farming.

/ www.certisys.eu

Cide-Socran

Organisation for support on the matter of innovative projects and companies with growing potential.

/ www.cide-socran.be

Cradle to Cradle

The Cradle to Cradle approach to design was developed by William McDonough, a notable architect in sustainable buildings, and chemist Michael Braungart in 2002. It is a method used to minimize the environmental impact of products by employing sustainable production, operation, and disposal practices and aims to incorporate social responsibility into product development. Under the Cradle to Cradle philosophy, products are evaluated for sustainability and efficiency in manufacturing processes, material properties, and toxicity as well as potential to reuse materials through recycling or composting.

Cradle to Cradle certification

A four-layered approach consisting of a Basic-, Silver-, Gold- and Platinum level to improve the Cradle to Cradle-trajectory visualisation. The certification scheme applies to materials, part assemblies and ready made products.

DSM Triple P-report

Annual sustainability report in which DSM indicates the state of affairs at People, Planet and Profit level.

Ei van Columbus (Columbus' Egg)

Bi-annual Dutch public award issued by the Ministeries of VROM, Foreign Affairs, Economy, LNV (Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality) and OCW (Education, Culture and Science).

EICC

Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition.

/ www.eicc.info

EPEA

Currently products can only be certified Cradle to Cradle via MBDC, the certification institute of Braungart and McDonough in the USA. EPEA is the European initiative, but certification is not possible here yet. Only products that meet the requirements for C2C may be called C2C.

/ www.epea.com

Flamme verte

Label that guarantees the quality and ecological aspects of wood stoves.

/ www.flammeverte.org

Good Design Award

Japanese comprehensive design evaluation and commendation system.

Innovation voucher

Dutch voucher which enables entrepreneurs to have a knowledge question regarding the renewal of a product, process or service answered. A public voucher can also be used to pay for the costs of applying and obtaining a patent. Public innovation vouchers must be used in public knowledge institutions, such as universities, colleges and research institutions. Private vouchers are to be used with private knowledge suppliers. By SenterNovem.

ISO26000-norm

International norm for socially responsible enterprising.

Liof

Limburg development and investment company.

/ www.liof.nl

MBDC

McDonough Braungart Design Chemistry.

Milieukeur

Dutch environmental quality mark for products and services. All Gulpener beers carry the quality mark. Gulpener Limburgs Land also carries the EKO quality mark which indicates that a product may be called organic, and the HIER logo for Climate neutrality.

/ www.milieukeur.nl

NCB Naturalis

Dutch Centre for Bio Diversity.

/ www.ncbnaturalis.nl

OP Zuid

Operational Programme South Netherlands, amongst others more subsidy funds for innovative South-Netherlands MKB projects.

Oxfam

Shop with socially responsible products from around the world.

/ www.oxfam.be

PEFC certificate

Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes. International recognised label which guarantees that the wood originates from sustainably managed forests.

Praxis

Store with construction material.

/ www.praxis.nl

Red Dot Design Award

A large and coveted international product design prize awarded by the Design Zentrum Nordrhein Westfalen in Essen (GE).

/ www.red-dot.de

SenterNovem

Has become part in 2010 of Agentschap NL. If it is about sustainability, innovation, international enterprising and cooperation Agentschap NL is the Dutch point of contact for companies, knowledge institutions and authorities.

/ www.senternovem.nl

SGS

SGS provides inspection, testing, certification & verification services to ensure that products, services & systems meet quality, safety & performance.

/ www.be.sgs.com

Sustainability Week

Annual Océ-week fully dedicated to sustainability.

Techstart loan

To help (future) entrepreneurs on their way with good technological innovative ideas, the Dutch Techstart supports them before, during and after the start-up. The core of the Techstart support consists of a preseed loan of 30.000 euro maximum, and Techstart also helps with finding good partners and coaches.

Tomorrow's District

Sustainable district where new sustainable technologies are applied in the construction of four houses and the installation of the public space. Students of the Hogeschool Zuyd contributed to the design.

Upcycling

Term that means that a recycled base material has a higher purity than the original substance.

VROM

Dutch Ministry of Public Housing, Urbanisation and Environment.

White paper of Europe

A white paper is a document of the European Commission in which the strategy is indicated to achieve a certain objective. It often relates to a proposal for a law text, with general and article-specific clarifications.

Yeast propagation

Growing reaction with the purpose of cultivating as many yeast cells as possible.