

TfS Recommendations for selecting a consultant for the calculation of the Product Carbon Footprint (PCF)

1. Experience and expertise:

- Look for consultants or consulting companies with proven experience in calculating carbon footprints, especially in the area of product carbon footprints for the specific region.
- Check whether references or case studies of similar projects are available.

2. Certifications and qualifications:

- Make sure that the consultant has relevant certifications/accreditation, such as ISO 14064 (greenhouse gas inventories) or other recognized standards in the field of environmental accounting.

3. Industry knowledge:

- Favor consultants with specific knowledge of your industry to gain valuable insights and adapt the calculation to industry-specific requirements.

4. Methodology and standards:

- Check if the methodology used complies with recognized standards such as the TfS Guideline or where applicable ISO 14067 (Product Carbon Footprint calculation).

5. Transparency and communication:

- The consultant should explain the process clearly and communicate transparently about the data requirements, assumptions and uncertainties.

6. Customer ratings and recommendations:

- Look for reviews or recommendations from previous clients to assess the reliability and quality of the consultant's work.

7. Initial consultation:

- Have an initial meeting to get to know the consultant and make sure the chemistry is right and they understand your specific needs.

Also to be considered if necessary:

8. Long-term support:

- Consider whether the consultant can also offer long-term support, e.g. in the implementation of measures to reduce the carbon footprint.

9. Network and partnerships:

- Consultants working with other sustainability experts or organisations can provide additional resources and expertise.