



COMMITMENT OF INTENT TO INCORPORATE LEVEL(S) INDICATORS IN OUR PROCUREMENT PROCESS

When facing the **environmental challenges** ahead (global warming, air pollution), we must take action now. The **building sector** has considerable responsibility, and the Irish Green Building Council can help you take action.

Level(s) is a framework of common indicators developed by the EU to be used throughout Europe to mainstream sustainable buildings. It addresses 6 macro objectives; Greenhouse gas emissions along a building's life cycle, Resource efficient and circular material lifecycles, Efficient use of water resources, Healthy and comfortable spaces, Adaptation and resilience, Optimised life cycle cost and value.

It forms a key part of the EU's delivery of the Green Deal and [Ireland's National policy on Architecture](#).

The IGBC encourage you to commit on some of the key indicators: **Life cycle assessment (LCA)**, **Life cycle costing (LCC)** and **Indoor air quality (IAQ)**. In addition, consider committing to circularity in procurement and products.

As a company, we are committed to respond to the challenges of the building sector, by helping to democratize and promote the following indicators in calls for tender (**choose at least the number of indicators indicated for each of the first 4 categories: Level(s) indicators, Life Cycle Assessment, Life Cycle Costing and Indoor Air Quality. You may also choose in addition from the Circularity category**):

Level(s) indicators *(choose at least one point)*



- Train my team about Level(s) and the 6 macro indicators.
- Other:

Life Cycle Assessment *(choose at least three points)*



- Train my team about [life cycle assessment](#) to better understand the issues.
- Commit to requesting EPD from manufacturers for products specified within my projects.
- Commit to educating specifiers about our EPD (for manufacturers and distributors).
- Produce EPDs on my product (for manufacturers of construction products).
- Carry out at least a level 1 LCA assessment at early design stage using a tool such as [Carbon designer](#) on all my projects.
- Have a team to conduct LCA for public and private clients.
- Other:

Life Cycle Costing *(choose at least two points)*



- Train my team about [life cycle cost thinking](#) to better understand the issues and to consider life cycle costing from early design stage.
- Provide information on the service life, maintenance requirements and repair available for my products (for manufacturers and distributors).
- Have a team and materials to make calculations to compare the choices of a type of technical or operational solution.
- Have a team and materials to make calculations about LCC analysis in public buildings.
- Award tenders based on whole life costing rather than upfront cost only.
- Other:

Indoor Air Quality *(choose at least three points)*



- Train my team about [health and building](#) to better understand the issues.
- Specify products with low levels of pollutants such as Formaldehyde, VOCs, TVOCs etc meeting at minimum EU taxonomy requirements.
- Manufacture products with low levels of pollutants such as Formaldehyde, VOCs, TVOCs etc. meeting at minimum [EU taxonomy requirements](#) and make 3rd party verified certification available to specifiers in line with Level(s).
- Create passive solutions to limit the effect of pollutant emissions.
- Meet performance specifications for indoor air quality within the building in line with CIBSE/RIAI Climate Challenge recommendations.
- Have a team and materials to make calculations about ventilation.
- Measure air pollution in my buildings.
- Other:



Circularity *(choose at least three points)*



- Train my team on circularity in construction to better understand issues, building for efficient resource use, adaptability, disassembly and waste reduction.
- Develop structured circularity statement at early design stage for all my larger projects using tools such as Level(s) checklist or [Regenerate tool](#). This should cover at minimum: design for adaptability, and disassembly.
- Develop a waste management plan for all projects and require reporting on all separate waste generated from site.
- Specify reused materials or products where possible in lieu of virgin material or new products.
- Take measures to reduce waste generation from my product, by measures such as take back schemes, integration of recycled content, design for re-use, recertification of reused products etc.
- Other:

By doing so I am committing to taking initial actions to address the environmental and health impact of my buildings.

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