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## Compact Interior CGS board



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### Basic information

This declaration is the Type III Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) based on EN 15804 + A2 and verified according to ISO 14025 by an external auditor. It contains the information on the impacts of the declared construction materials on the environment and their aspects verified by the independent body according to ISO 14025. Basically, comparison or evaluation of EPD data is possible only if all the compared data were created according to EN 15804 + A2.

**Life cycle analysis (LCA):** A1-A3, C1-C4 and D modules in accordance with EN 15804 + A2 (Cradle-to-Gate with options)

**The year of preparing the EPD:** 2022

**Product standard:** PN-EN 438-4

**Service Life:** > 50 years

**PCR:** ITB-PCR A

**Declared unit:** 1 m<sup>3</sup>

**Reasons for performing LCA:** B2B

**Representativeness:** Polish, European

## MANUFACTURER

Kronospan is a producer of wood-based materials and products for the furniture industry made of certified, post-consumer and recycled wood. The company's offer includes a range of products that are widely used in construction, furniture and interior design.

It carries out production as part of sustainable development, using innovative technologies. In Poland, Kronospan has branches in Szczecinek, Mielec, Strzelce Opolskie, Pustków, Poznań, Rudawa, Szczecin and Rytel. It employs about 3,000 people, and indirectly creates jobs for about 18,000 people.

Kronospan Compact Interior CGS boards are manufactured in Pustków. In 1996, Kronospan started its operations there. The factory was established on the basis of one of the then existing departments of the local company - the laminate production department. In 1996-2006, the company underwent a series of complex technological changes related to the production of laminates. As a result of these changes, a new production plant was established, which uses the latest technological, technical and product solutions in the production of decorative laminates, countertops, compact boards or facade panels.



*Fig. 1. A view of Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o. in Pustków (Poland).*

## PRODUCTS DESCRIPTION AND APPLICATION

Compact Interior CGS board can be used as an independent structure in the construction industry, shipbuilding and railway rolling stock. Typical usage: wall claddings, partitions doors, cubicles, lockers, kitchen worktops, laboratory bench tops, doors, cabinets, lifts and various self-supporting components in construction marine and transport industries.

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High-pressure structural laminate CGS belongs to the group of compact boards according to EN 438-4. Compact Interior CGS board consists of a multiple core layers and it's both side covered with a decorative melamine and phenolic impregnated layer.

Formats: 2800 x 1860 [mm], 3050 x 1300 [mm], 4200 x 1300 [mm].

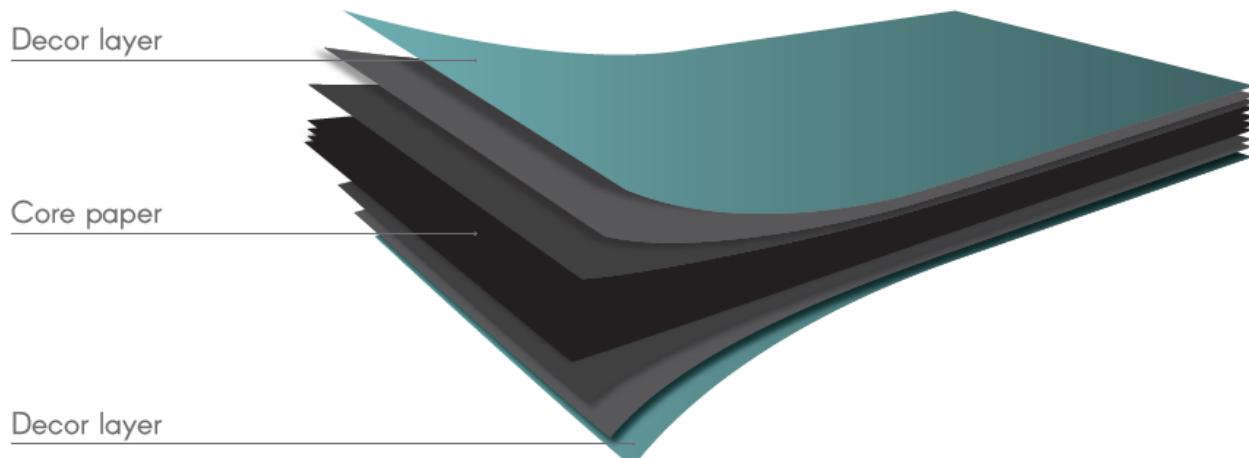


Figure 2. Construction of Compact Interior CGS board.

Table 1. Specification of Compact Interior CGS board produced by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o.

Parameter	Unit	Compact Interior CGS - declared performance	Standard
Thickness	mm	$2 \leq t < 3 \pm 0.2$ $3 \leq t < 5 \pm 0.3$ $5 \leq t < 8 \pm 0.4$ $8 \leq t < 12 \pm 0.5$ $12 \leq t < 16 \pm 0.6$ $16 \leq t < 20 \pm 0.7$ $20 \leq t < 25 \pm 0.8$	EN 438-2.5
Length	mm	+ 10 / - 0	EN 438-2.6
Width	mm	+ 10 / - 0	EN 438-2.6
Density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	$\geq 1.35$	EN ISO 1183-1
Flexural strength	MPa	$\geq 80$	EN ISO 178
Flexural modulus	MPa	$\geq 9000$	EN ISO 178
Edges squareness	mm/m	$\leq 1.5$	EN 438-2.8

More information can be found on the Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o. website: <https://kronosfera.pl/>.

## LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT (LCA) – general rules applied

### Declared Unit

The declaration refers to declared unit (DU) – 1 m<sup>3</sup> of Compact Interior CGS board

## Allocation

The allocation rules used for this EPD are based on general ITB-PCR A. Compact Interior CGS board production is a line process in one factory located in Pustków (Poland). Allocation is done on product mass basis.

All impacts from raw materials extraction and processing are allocated in A1 module of EPD. Above 99.5% of impacts from line production were inventoried and allocated to the production of Compact Interior CGS board. Municipal waste and waste water of whole factory were allocated to module A3. Energy supply was inventoried for whole production process. Emissions in Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o. are calculated (energy combustion factors based) and were allocated to module A3. Packaging materials were taken into consideration.

## System limits

The life cycle analysis (LCA) of the declared products covers product stage – modules A1-A3, end of life – modules C1-C4 and benefits and loads beyond the system boundary – module D (cradle-to-gate with options) in accordance with EN 15804 + A2 and ITB PCR A. The details of systems limits are provided in product technical report. All materials and energy consumption inventoried in factory were included in calculation. Office impacts were also taken into consideration. In the assessment, all significant parameters from gathered production data are considered, i.e. all material used per formulation, utilised thermal energy, internal fuel and electric power consumption, direct production waste, and all available emission measurements. It can be assumed that the total sum of omitted processes does not exceed 5% of all impact categories. In accordance with EN 15804 + A2, machines and facilities (capital goods) required for the production as well as transportation of employees were not included in LCA.

### **Modules A1 and A2: *Raw materials supply and transport***

Raw materials such as phenol, melamine, methanol, formalin, kraft and decor paper come from external suppliers. Data on transport of the different products to the manufacturing plants is collected and modelled for factory by assessor. Means of transport include small trucks (< 10 t), big truck (>16 t) are applied.

### **Module A3: *Production***

Fig. 3 shows the manufacturing process during the production of the Compact Interior CGS board. The laminate manufacturing is basically a process including impregnation of kraft and decor paper, assembling, pressing, trimming and sanding. Then the Compact Interior CGS board product is packaged and then stored prior to the shipment of the final product. The facility is PN-EN ISO 9001 certified.

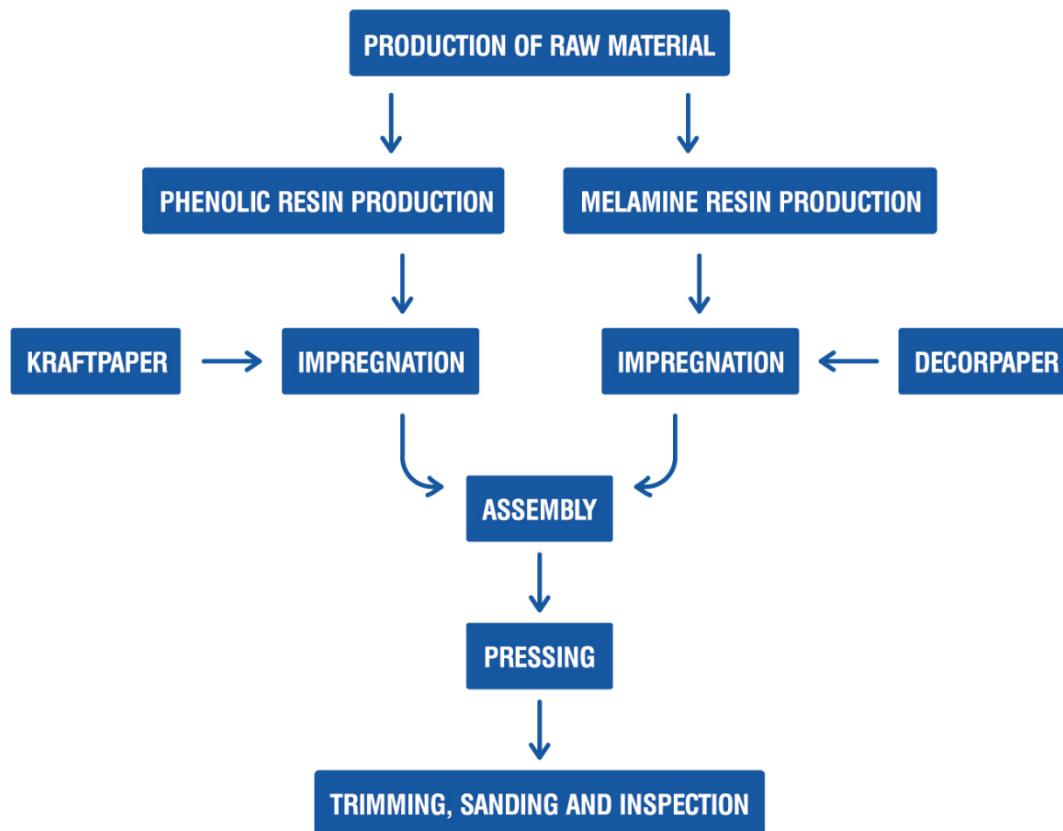


Fig. 3. A scheme of Compact Interior CGS board production by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o. (Poland)

#### Modules C1-C4 and D: End-of-life (EoL)

In the adapted scenario, deconstruction of the Compact Interior CGS board is performed with the use of electrical tools (module C1). The resulting waste is transported to a waste processing plant distant about 50 km, on 16-32 t lorry EURO 5 (module C2). It is assumed that at the EoL cycle 50% of the Compact Interior CGS board are recovered in municipal incineration (module C3) while the second part goes to landfilling (50%) and it is stored in landfills (module C4). Module D presents credits resulting from the benefits from avoided thermal energy production (gas).

#### Data quality

The data selected for LCA originate from ITB-LCI questionnaires completed by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o. using the inventory data, ITB and Ecoinvent v. 3.8 databases. No specific data collected is older than five years and no generic datasets used are older than ten years. The representativeness, completeness, reliability, and consistency are judged as good. Polish electricity was calculated based on Ecoinvent v 3.8. supplemented by actual national KOBiZE data.

#### Data collection period

Primary data provided by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o. covers a period of 01.01.2021 – 31.12.2021 (1 year). The life cycle assessments were prepared for Poland and Europe as reference area.

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## Assumptions and estimates

In order to estimate the impact on 1 m<sup>2</sup>, the obtained values should be multiplied by 0.013 for laminate thicknesses of 13 mm. Impacts were inventoried and calculated for all products in Compact Interior CGS board product group.

## Calculation rules

LCA was performed using ITB-LCA tool developed in accordance with EN 15804 + A2.

## Databases

The data for the processes comes from Ecoinvent v.3.8 and ITB-Database. Specific data quality analysis was a part of external audit. Polish electricity mix used (production) is 0.698 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh (KOBiZE 2021). European electricity mix used is 0.430 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh for the end of life (Ecoinvent v3.8, RER).

## LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT (LCA) – Results

### Declared unit

The declaration refers to declared unit (DU) – 1 m<sup>3</sup> of Compact Interior CGS board manufactured by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o.

*Table 2. System boundaries for the environmental characteristic Compact Interior CGS board manufactured by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o.*

Environmental assessment information (MD – Module Declared, MND – Module Not Declared, INA – Indicator Not Assessed)																	
Product stage			Construction process		Use stage							End of life				Benefits and loads beyond the system boundary	
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport to construction site	Construction-installation process	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	Deconstruction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal		
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
MD	MD	MD	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MD	MD	MD	MD	MD	

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Table 3. LCA results of Compact Interior CGS board manufactured by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o - environmental impacts (DU = 1m<sup>3</sup>)

Indicator	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Global Warming Potential	eq. kg CO <sub>2</sub>	1.30E+03	3.43E+02	2.12E+03	3.77E+03	4.77E-02	4.51E-03	7.86E-02	6.85E+01	-9.38E+02
Greenhouse gas potential - fossil	eq. kg CO <sub>2</sub>	2.52E+03	3.42E+02	2.08E+03	4.95E+03	4.68E-02	4.49E-03	7.86E-02	6.84E+01	-9.38E+02
Greenhouse gas potential - biogenic	eq. kg CO <sub>2</sub>	-1.27E+03	1.17E+00	2.24E+01	-1.25E+03	8.45E-04	1.53E-05	1.68E-05	4.78E-02	-9.16E-01
Global warming potential - land use and land use change	eq. kg CO <sub>2</sub>	5.06E+01	1.34E-01	3.57E-01	5.11E+01	1.10E-05	1.76E-06	8.75E-06	6.67E-03	-3.68E-02
Stratospheric ozone depletion potential	eq. kg CFC 11	7.97E-05	7.92E-05	5.75E-05	2.16E-04	8.97E-10	1.04E-09	1.24E-09	1.90E-07	-1.47E-04
Soil and water acidification potential	eq. mol H <sup>+</sup>	1.15E+01	1.39E+00	1.43E+01	2.72E+01	4.96E-04	1.82E-05	4.28E-04	6.12E-02	-8.96E-01
Eutrophication potential - freshwater	eq. kg P	1.22E+00	2.30E-02	2.22E+00	3.47E+00	8.50E-05	3.02E-07	2.39E-06	1.20E-03	-1.17E-02
Eutrophication potential - seawater	eq. kg N	3.19E+00	4.19E-01	2.20E+00	5.81E+00	7.06E-05	5.50E-06	1.93E-04	1.45E+00	-2.58E-01
Eutrophication potential - terrestrial	eq. mol N	2.54E+01	4.57E+00	1.92E+01	4.92E+01	6.05E-04	6.00E-05	2.08E-03	2.35E-01	-2.76E+00
Potential for photochemical ozone synthesis	eq. kg NMVOC	9.95E+00	1.40E+00	6.30E+00	1.77E+01	1.70E-04	1.84E-05	6.61E-04	9.51E-02	-9.53E-01
Potential for depletion of abiotic resources - non-fossil resources	eq. kg Sb	1.17E-02	1.21E-03	2.28E-03	1.52E-02	6.76E-08	1.59E-08	2.73E-08	1.88E-05	-3.16E-04
Abiotic depletion potential - fossil fuels	MJ	5.32E+04	5.08E+03	3.21E+04	9.04E+04	7.64E-01	6.66E-02	1.03E+00	1.78E+02	-1.60E+04
Water deprivation potential	eq. m <sup>3</sup>	1.76E+03	2.35E+01	4.31E+02	2.21E+03	1.55E-02	3.08E-04	2.54E-03	1.07E+00	-2.39E+01

Table 4. LCA results of Compact Interior CGS board manufactured by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o.- additional impacts indicators (DU = 1 m<sup>3</sup>)

Indicator	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	C2	C3	C4	D
Particulate matter	disease incidence	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA
Potential human exposure efficiency relative to U235	eg. kBq U235	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA
Potential comparative toxic unit for ecosystems	CTUe	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA
Potential comparative toxic unit for humans (cancer effects)	CTUh	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA
Potential comparative toxic unit for humans (non-cancer effects)	CTUh	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA
Potential soil quality index	dimensionless	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA

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*Table 5. LCA results of Compact Interior CGS board manufactured by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o - the resource use (DU = 1m<sup>3</sup>)*

Indicator	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Consumption of renewable primary energy - excluding renewable primary energy sources used as raw materials	MJ	7.47E+03	7.29E+01	1.48E+03	9.02E+03	5.54E-02	9.56E-04	5.79E-03	3.67E+00	-4.23E+01
Consumption of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	MJ	1.80E+04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.80E+04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Total consumption of renewable primary energy resources	MJ	2.54E+04	7.29E+01	1.48E+03	2.70E+04	5.54E-02	9.56E-04	5.79E-03	3.67E+00	-4.23E+01
Consumption of non-renewable primary energy - excluding renewable primary energy sources used as raw materials	MJ	3.90E+04	5.08E+03	3.32E+04	7.72E+04	8.09E-01	6.66E-02	1.03E+00	-2.06E+04	-1.61E+04
Consumption of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	MJ	1.43E+04	0.00E+00	1.57E+02	1.45E+04	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.08E+04	0.00E+00
Total consumption of non-renewable primary energy resources	MJ	5.33E+04	5.08E+03	3.33E+04	9.17E+04	8.09E-01	6.66E-02	1.03E+00	1.78E+02	-1.61E+04
Consumption of secondary materials	kg	9.60E+02	1.70E+00	3.55E+00	9.65E+02	6.17E-05	2.23E-05	4.22E-04	6.68E-02	-6.75E+02
Consumption of renewable secondary fuels	MJ	2.67E+02	1.88E-02	1.24E-02	2.67E+02	3.37E-07	2.46E-07	1.11E-06	2.28E-03	-1.09E-03
Consumption of non-renewable secondary fuels	MJ	0.00E+00	0.00E+00							
Net consumption of freshwater resources	m <sup>3</sup>	4.59E+01	6.39E-01	1.54E+01	6.20E+01	2.49E-04	8.38E-06	5.49E-05	1.76E-01	-6.18E-01

*Table 6. LCA results of Compact Interior CGS board manufactured by Kronospan HPL Sp. z o. o – waste categories (DU = 1m<sup>3</sup>)*

Indicator	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
Hazardous waste. neutralized	kg	5,66E+01	5,70E+00	2,67E+00	6,49E+01	1.58E-07	7.48E-05	4.73E-04	1.70E-01	-3,13E+00
Non-hazardous waste. neutralised	kg	3,16E+03	1,01E+02	2,01E+02	3,46E+03	4.51E-03	1.33E-03	9.42E-03	5.35E+00	-4,78E+01
Radioactive waste	kg	6,22E-02	3,50E-02	1,78E-02	1,15E-01	6.57E-07	4.59E-07	1.12E-07	6.74E-05	-2,26E-04
Components for re-use	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	1,28E+00	1,28E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0,00E+00
Materials for recycling	kg	1,50E+02	1,57E-02	3,83E+01	1,88E+02	4.64E-06	2.06E-07	3.24E-06	1.61E-03	-3,68E-03
Materials for energy recovery	kg	3,17E+00	1,27E-04	5,00E+02	5,03E+02	6.49E-09	1.67E-09	1.27E-08	6.13E-06	-5,52E-05
Energy exported	MJ	4,84E+01	5,64E+00	6,05E+01	1,14E+02	2.22E-03	7.39E-05	6.69E-05	3.46E-02	-5,33E+00

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## Verification

The process of verification of this EPD is in accordance with ISO 14025 and ISO 21930.

After verification, this EPD is valid for a 5-year-period. EPD does not have to be recalculated after 5 years, if the underlying data have not changed significantly.

The basis for LCA analysis was EN 15804 + A2 and ITB PCR A

Independent verification corresponding to ISO 14025 (subclause 8.1.3)

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## Normative references

- ITB PCR A General Product Category Rules for Construction Products
- EN 438-4:2016 High-pressure decorative laminates (HPL) - Sheets based on thermosetting resins (usually called laminates) - Part 4: Classification and specifications for compact laminates of thickness 2 mm and greater
- ISO 178:2019 Plastics - Determination of flexural properties
- ISO 527-2:2012 Plastics - Determination of tensile properties - Part 2: Test conditions for moulding and extrusion plastics
- ISO 1183-1:2019 Plastics - Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics - Part 1: Immersion method, liquid pycnometer method and titration method
- ISO 14025:2006 Environmental labels and declarations – Type III environmental declarations – Principles and procedures
- ISO 21930:2017 Sustainability in buildings and civil engineering works – Core rules for environmental product declarations of construction products and services
- ISO 14044:2006 Environmental management – Life cycle assessment – Requirements and guidelines
- ISO 15686-1:2011 Buildings and constructed assets – Service life planning – Part 1: General principles and framework
- ISO 15686-8:2008 Buildings and constructed assets – Service life planning – Part 8: Reference service life and service-life estimation
- EN 15804 + A2: Sustainability of construction works – Environmental product declarations – Core rules for the product category of construction products
- ISO 14067:2018 Greenhouse gases - Carbon footprint of products - Requirements and guidelines for quantification
- EN 15942:2012 Sustainability of construction works – Environmental product declarations – Communication format business-to-business
- KOBiZE Wskaźniki emisyjności CO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, CO i pyłu całkowitego dla energii elektrycznej, 2021



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## CERTIFICATE № 383/2022 of TYPE III ENVIRONMENTAL DECLARATION

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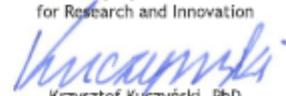
**EN 15804**

Sustainability of construction works.  
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Core rules for the product category of construction products.

This certificate, issued for the first time on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 is valid for 5 years  
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