

Last meetings with green steel definition - a short throwback and outlook for today

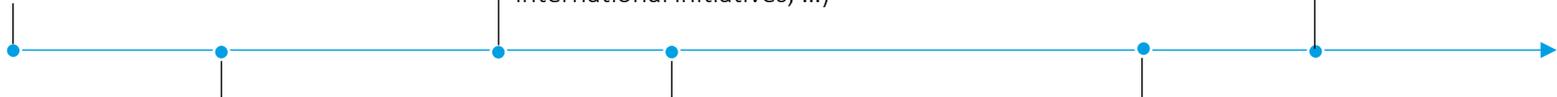
Common Sense in 2022

A Green Steel Industry needs a green Steel Definition

What happened not during this time:

- Defining instruments for green lead markets (e.g. public procurements)
- Defining the „golden way“ for the definition (either In the industry itself or in international initiatives, ...)

4th Workshop
27th January 2026



24.01.23

Workshop on Green Steel Definition

Discussion on different initiatives and ideas:

- What do we have in place? (ideas, recent systems, ...)
- Had a look into the recent methods (PCF, balancing methods, ...)

30.01.24

Workshop on status of Green Steel Definition

Main objectives on calculation methods:

- How to calculate CO2 Emissions (boundary conditions, PCF, discussion on the need of rule books)
- How to define thresholds (sliding scale or not)

28.01.25

Workshop on status of Green Steel Definition

Main objectives of the initiatives:

- Which initiatives are now really in place (current status, rulebook (yes/no), rollout, ...)
- Who is using this instruments? (open or closed memberships, ...)

TWO leadmarkets are on the way

Industry Acceleration Act (IAA) (leaked)

Relies on **EU ETS (Emissions Trading System)** data for domestic producers and **CBAM (Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism)** data for imports.

Covers **direct emissions** (e.g., from production processes) and **indirect emissions** (e.g., from electricity, hydrogen, and heat used in steelmaking).

The label will **classify steel products into performance classes ranging from A to F** based on their greenhouse gas intensity.

Classification will be based on hot-rolled steel.

Sliding scale will be used for scrap shares between **20% and 90%**.

Determination of **threshold values** for each performance class will be based on best available technologies and the actual performance of installations.

Thresholds will align with EU climate targets, encouraging continuous improvement toward climate neutrality.

Automotive Package (proposal)

From 2035 onwards, carmakers will need to comply with a 90% tailpipe emissions reduction target, while the remaining 10% emissions will need to be compensated through the use of low-carbon steel Made in the Union, or from e-fuels and biofuels (fuel credits can contribute up to 3% of the 2021 reference target, **whilst the low-carbon steel credits up to 7%**)

If each tonne of green steel reduced emissions by 1 tonne of CO2 it would be a potential market of 17 million tonnes of green steel, or more if the reduction per tonne was lower.