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# INFORMATION ABOUT ALUMINIUM STEWARDSHIP INITIATIVE (ASI) CERTIFICATION

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The **Aluminium Stewardship Initiative (ASI)** is a global non-profit standard setting and certification organization that brings together producers, users and stakeholders in the aluminium value chain with a commitment to maximise the contribution of aluminium to a sustainable society. This certification aims to collaboratively foster responsible production, sourcing and stewardship of aluminium.



**ASI Performance Standard** defines environmental, social and governance principles and criteria, with the aim to address sustainability issues in the aluminium value chain.

**ASI Chain of Custody Standard** sets out requirements for the creation of a Chain of Custody for CoC Material, including ASI Aluminium, which is produced and processed through the value chain into diverse downstream sectors.

ASI accredited auditing firms are responsible for conducting independent, third-party audits to certify members against the ASI standards.

For more information regarding the ALUMINIUM STEWARDSHIP INITIATIVE, please visit the following website: <a href="https://aluminium-stewardship.org/">https://aluminium-stewardship.org/</a>

## WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

ASI's standards are applicable to all stages of aluminium production and transformation, specifically: bauxite mining, alumina refining, primary aluminium production, semifabrication (rolling, extrusion, forging and foundry), material conversion, and refining and re-melting of recycled scrap, as well as material stewardship criteria relevant to downstream users of aluminium.



# **BENEFITS OF ASI CERTIFICATION**

The ASI Performance and Chain of Custody Standards offer the following benefits:

- enable the aluminium industry to demonstrate responsibility and provide independent and credible assurance of performance,
- reinforce and promote consumer and stakeholder confidence in aluminium products,
- reduce reputational risks concerning aluminium and aluminium industry players,
- address the expressed needs by downstream industrial users and consumers for responsible sourcing of aluminium,
- set a sustainability baseline for further improvement,
- enables the company to reduce and mitigate its environmental impacts,
- enables improvements to the value chain,
- save financial resources by improving definite environmental KPIs (e.g. energy performance),
- prove and communicate the environmental excellence of their products and services,
- meet customer requirements and increase reputation.

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#### STEPS FOR ASI CERTIFICATION

The following steps should be followed:

# **Step 1: Self Assessment**

- Preparation stage for the Certification Audit
- Conducted by the Member in accordance with their defined Certification Scope

## **Step 2: Certification Audit**

- Conducted by an ASI Accredited Auditor who is an independent third party
- Risk-based assessment of conformance

# **Step 3: Audit Report**

- Auditor prepares Audit Report for ASI and Member
- Member implements corrective action plan/s where required
- Where Certification achieved, Step 4 commences

## **Step 4: Certification Issued**

- ASI reviews Audit Report for clarity and completeness
- ASI issues Certification and updates ASI website

## **Step 5: Periodic Reviews**

- Surveillance and Re-Certification Audits are conducted during / at end of Certification Period
- These verify continued conformance and / or may assess other identified risks



## WHY WITH EUROCERT

Eurocert is a Greek Independent Certification Body accredited by Greek and International Accreditation Bodies with activities in more than 30 countries globally. Eurocert possesses highly-trained and educated auditors with great expertise and experience in their field. In particular, EUROCERT is an ASI approved certification body that holds high-level of competence and experience in sustainability standards certifications, in particular ISO 14001, EMAS, ISO 14064, ISCC EU, SA8000, SMETA, GRI, ISO 26000, EU-ETS etc.

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