

PRESS RELEASE

Carbon Market Data publishes the EU ETS Company Rankings 2016

London, 12 June 2017 - Carbon Market Data, a European company providing carbon market research and data supply services, published the rankings of companies included in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, following the release of verified emissions reports for the year 2016.

Based on Carbon Market Data's research, RWE, EPH and Enel were the three biggest CO2 emitters of the EU emissions trading scheme (EU ETS) during the year 2016. RWE, EPH and Enel emitted in 2016 respectively 142 MtCO2, 82 MtCO2 and 62 MtCO2. These figures are calculated at group level, taking into account both minority and majority stakeholdings in other companies included in the EU emissions trading scheme.

In the table below are shown for the year 2016 the freely distributed carbon allowances and the CO2 emissions of these three companies.

Table 1: EU ETS Company Emissions Ranking (Mt CO2)

company	free allowances 2016	verified emissions 2016	
RWE	2.1	141.8	
EPH	3.2	82.3	
Enel	0	61.7	

This ranking is unchanged from last year, except for the second position taken by EPH from Vattenfall, which is now in thirteenth position. EPH is a Czech energy group formed in 2009, with activities in multiple European countries in power and heat production, gas storage and distribution, as well as coal and lignite mining. Since its creation, EPH has experienced a rapid growth with notably buying a number of power plants (mainly coal and lignite-fired, as well as gas-fired and nuclear) from RWE, Enel, EDF, E.ON and Vattenfall.

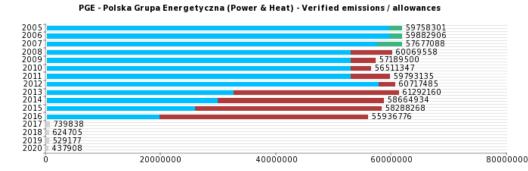
In April 2016, EPH agreed to buy from Vattenfall four lignite power plants with a combined capacity of 8,000 megawatts, and five lignite mines in eastern Germany.

LEAG, an EPH subsidiary mainly composed of lignite assets acquired from Vattenfall, emitted 65.3 million tCO2 in 2016, representing a large part of EPH total emissions.

PGE, the largest Polish energy group, ranks fourth, with 56 MtCO2 emitted in 2016. PGE is also the company having received the largest quantity of transitional EU allowances in the EU ETS scheme, with a total of 19 million transitional EUAs in 2016.

The graph below shows for PGE (Polska Grupa Energetyczna) the number of CO2 emissions versus the total number of free allowances received for each year under the EU emissions trading scheme.

The figure displayed for the period 2005-2016 represents the number of verified emissions. The green colour represents the surplus of EU allowances; the red colour represents the shortage of EU allowances. The figure displayed for the period 2017-2020 represents the number of allowances allocated for free (excluding transitional allowances).



Companies with the highest carbon allowance surplus

In 2016, the three companies with the highest surplus of freely allocated EU carbon allowances (EUAs) were three steel makers: ArcelorMittal (7 million EUAs surplus), Ilva (6.7 million EUAs surplus), and Tata (4 million EUAs surplus).

Table 2: EU ETS Companies with highest carbon allowance surplus in 2016

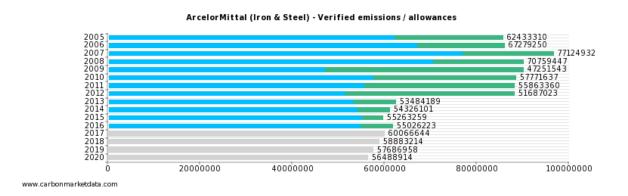
company	sector	free allowances 2016 (M)	verified emissions 2016 (MtCO2)	emissions-to-cap (=E-C) 2016 (M)
ArcelorMittal	Steel	62	55	-7
Ilva	Steel	13.7	7	-6.7
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Tata	Chemicals	18.2	14.2	-4

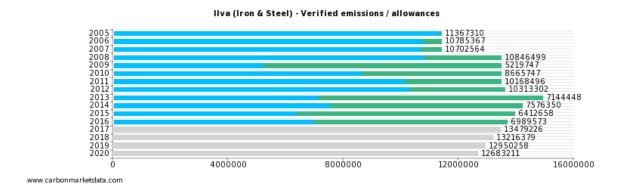
Ilva, an Italian steelmaker, is the owner of the Taranto plant, the largest steelworks in Europe, equipped with five blast furnaces. In 2012, the Taranto plant was the centre of an environmental scandal, over alleged high levels of toxic emissions from the plant and reports of an elevated incidence of cancer among the local population. In 2015, Ilva (formerly controlled by Riva Group) was bailed out and nationalised by the Italian government.

Last week, the Italian government decided to sell Ilva to AM InvestCo Italy (owned 85% by ArcelorMittal) for the price of 1.8 bn euros.

The two graphs below show for ArcelorMittal and Ilva the number of CO2 emissions versus the total number of free allowances received for each year under the EU emissions trading scheme.

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Companies with the largest shortage of free carbon allowances

Unsurprisingly, the three companies having in 2016 the highest shortage of free EU carbon allowances are all involved in the electricity generation business. These companies are RWE (shortage of 139.7 Mt), EPH (79.1 Mt) and Enel (61.7 Mt).

At current EUA price of 5 Euros, RWE's shortage represents a value of 700 million euros.

In the phase III (2013 - 2020) of the EU emissions trading scheme, most electricity producers – except in some Eastern European countries - are given very few EU carbon allowances for free. Therefore, they must purchase most of their emissions rights through carbon auctions or any other carbon trading channel (exchanges, brokers, bilateral trades).



About Carbon Market Data

Carbon Market Data is a carbon market research company and data vendor offering information, consulting and technology services to a wide range of organisations in the world.

Carbon Market Data developed the EU ETS Company Database, a unique and innovative carbon disclosure solution.

The EU ETS Company Database is a corporate carbon tracking tool that provides the following strategic information on 1,000 companies included in the EU emissions trading scheme:

CO2 verified emissions
Allocated allowances
Transitional allowances
NER allowances
CERs surrendered
ERUs surrendered
Emissions-to-cap figures
List of installations
List of parent companies
List of subsidiaries
List of underlying CDM-JI projects
Sector of activity
Contact details

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