

# **PRESS RELEASE**

### Carbon Market Data publishes the EU ETS Company Rankings 2017

London, 7 June 2018 - 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 2017.

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 2017. RWE, EPH and Enel emitted in 2017 respectively 129 MtCO2, 88 MtCO2 and 58 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 2017 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 2017	verified emissions 2017
RWE	1.9	129
EPH	2.5	88.5
Enel	0	58.4

This ranking is unchanged from last year.

RWE's CO2 emissions fell by 9% year-on-year (to be compared with the overall decrease in EU ETS emissions in Germany by 3.4% between 2016 and 2017).

EPH's CO2 emissions rose by 7.5% from 2016. 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 2017, 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 65.5 million tCO2 in 2017, representing a large part of EPH total emissions.

PGE, the largest Polish energy group, ranks fourth, with 58 MtCO2 emitted in 2017. PGE is also the company having received the largest quantity of transitional EU allowances in the EU ETS scheme, with a total of 14 million transitional EUAs in 2017.

### Companies with the highest carbon allowance surplus

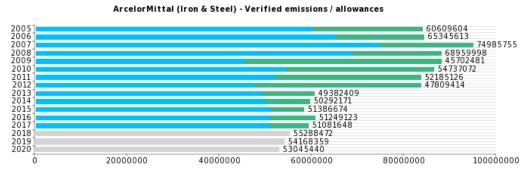
In 2017, the three companies with the highest surplus of freely allocated EU carbon allowances (EUAs) were three steel makers: ArcelorMittal (8.5 million EUAs surplus), Ilva (7 million EUAs surplus), and Tata Steel (3 million EUAs surplus).

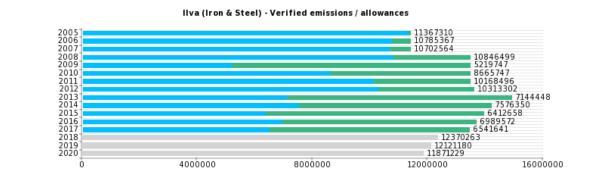
Table 2: EU ETS Companies with highest carbon allowance surplus in 2017

company	sector	free allowances 2017 (M)	verified emissions 2017 (MtCO2)	emissions-to-cap (=E-C) 2017 (M)
ArcelorMittal	Steel	59.5	51	-8.5
Ilva	Steel	13.5	6.5	-7
Tata Steel	Steel	17.1	14.2	-2.9

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.

The figure displayed for the period 2005-2017 represents the number of verified emissions; the green colour represents the surplus of EU allowances. The figure displayed for the period 2018-2020 represents the number of allowances allocated for free.





In September 2017, Tata Steel, an Indian steelmaker, reached an agreement to merge its European steel business with the German steel manufacturer ThyssenKrupp to form a joint venture headquartered in Amsterdam.

### Companies with the largest shortage of free carbon allowances

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Unsurprisingly, the three companies having in 2017 the highest shortage of free EU carbon allowances are all involved in the electricity generation business. These companies are RWE (shortage of 127 Mt), EPH (86 Mt) and Enel (58 Mt).

At current EUA price of 16 Euros, RWE's shortage represents a value of 2 billion 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).

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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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