

Better understand and choose Methods for calculating the carbon footprint of its communication campaigns



Why do we need harmonized methods to calculate the carbon footprint of communication campaigns?

Climate change is happening and is now a reality. The 6th IPCC Synthesis Report published March 20th, 2023, notes its acceleration and its devastating effects on the environment and societies around the world. Decisions made today will define the degradation level of the world for current and future generations. As a consequence, each and every one of us has to strive to mitigate climate change and implement concrete and reliable solutions to control and reduce CO2 emissions.

This also applies to the communication sector, like any other human activity, which means it has to embark on a more sober trajectory, even if its direct carbon impact is not as high as in other industries. And it can also explore other strong levers to be part of the sustainable transition (see [our previous guide](#) : Representation of Eco-responsible Behaviors in Communication).

A large number of companies (brands, creative agencies, media, advertising agencies, productions, unions, etc.) have understood this and have set in motion by creating different tools and frameworks to manage the carbon trajectories of communication tools. Today, it is still difficult for a brand to have a clear a precise idea of its campaign footprint. But we cannot reduce what we cannot measure.

We have taken a big step last April publishing the first meta-framework to guide advertisers and brands, share expertise and offer a common basis for a transparent and reliable calculation of multimedia campaign carbon footprint. This work was accomplished in collaboration with the entire inter-professional organization as well as the expertise of BL Evolution. Resulting from a truly collective effort, it offers a calculation method that feeds – without replacing them – calculators developed internally or by private operators (agencies, consulting firms, SAAS platforms, etc.). It is used to ensure the relevance of used frameworks. Its objective is to make the data analysis more reliable and to pilot efficiently the emission reduction trajectory, from the creation to broadcasting to the end of life.

This is an evolving approach, and we are particularly happy to deliver today a second updated and enriched version, which now includes a framework for Radio as well as evolutions of the Digital, TV, and Event frameworks. You will also find in this new version new examples and usage cases. Of course, this approach cannot be limited to the French territory only, and it is part of international projects led by AdNetZero as well as the GARM for the WFA.

Other bricks will be added in 2024 in order to follow the evolutions of the introduced methods and to integrate new media as well as international developments. Thanks again to all contributors who made it possible.



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Summary

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CALCULATION METHOD FOR THE CARBON FOOTPRINT OF COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGNS FOR BRANDS

1 Scope, Calculation Method, and Bias

Measurement Indicator of the Carbon Footprint:

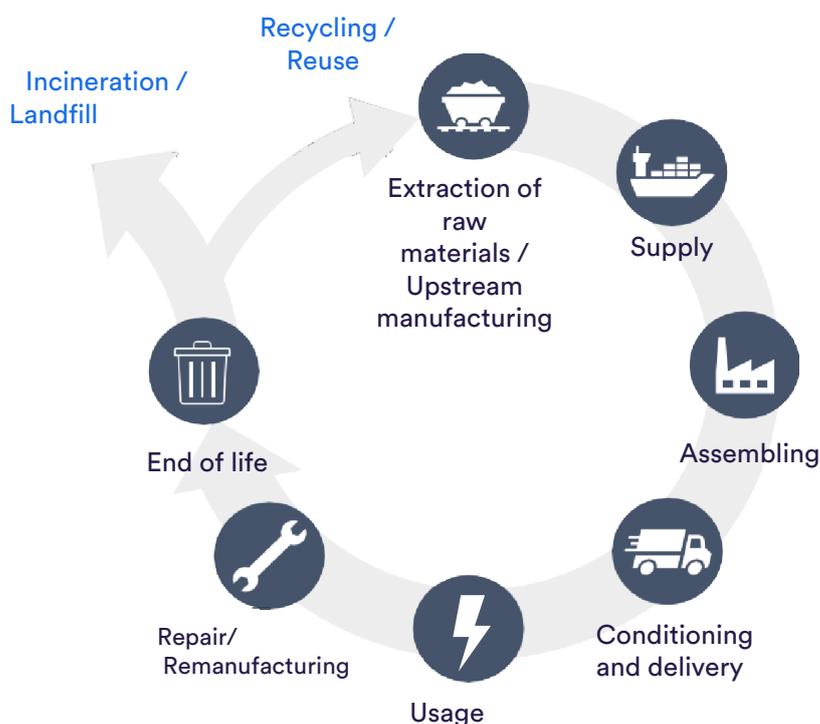
The best-known greenhouse gases (GHG) are carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O), and the fluorinated gases, each having a different Global Warming Potential (GWP). This GWP is measured based on the carbon dioxide potential, which allows us to obtain a common unit: the CO₂ equivalent (CO₂e). The carbon footprint of communication campaigns is calculated based on this measurement.

A distinction is made between:

- **Direct GHG emissions**, i.e. within the direct scope of the studied entity – company, individual, territory – or product.
- **Indirect GHG emissions**, i.e. all emissions generated by the activities of the studied entity – company, individual, territory – or product. This is usually where most emissions are found. It is therefore essential to include the entire product or service lifecycle in the calculation.

Definition of Key Terms:

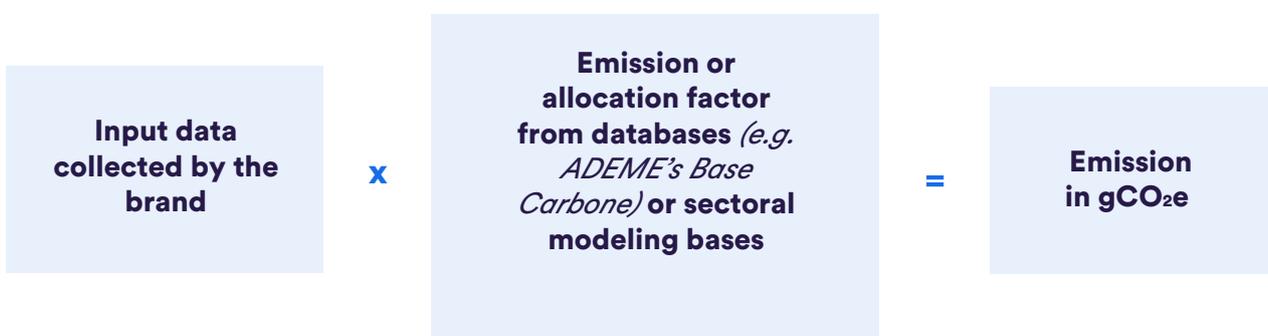
- **Functional unit:** a measurement unit that will be used for comparisons. Example: Display of an advertisement to 1000 contacts in a campaign.
- **Operational scope:** Activities included in the calculation regarding the functional unit. A measurement excluding part of this scope could appear more virtuous than a more exhaustive one. It is therefore essential to consider identical scopes so that they can be compared.
- **Scope covering the equipment lifecycle:** Although activities may be considered, they can only be partially included if only a part of their impacts is modeled. This is the case for manufacturing, assembling and distribution phases of display terminals, which are not systematically included in currently available calculators.



- **Input data and assumptions:** Input data are critical for the calculation. As the carbon footprint assessment is based on the analysis of material and energy flows, these input data must be based as much as possible on physical data to obtain a more precise measurement. The use of monetary data – as a last resort – introduces a lot of inaccuracies. When no input data is available, assumptions can be made. The purpose of a framework is notably to be able to harmonize a certain number of assumptions.
- **Allocation factors:** These factors are intermediate assumptions made to allocate a part of the impacts when the equipment included in the scope is shared. Example: Since a computer server can be used for several digital uses and, in particular, for several communication campaigns, it is not possible to allocate (impute) all impacts of a computer server to the studied campaign, and an allocation factor will be used to define the percentage to be considered. The allocation factor can be recommended in PCRs (product category rules) or sectoral frameworks. This is the case for TV or Digital, for instance. The choice of allocation factors can explain some differences in results obtained with currently available calculators.
- **Emission factors:** Input data are then multiplied by emission factors in order to be converted into carbon equivalent.
- **Database:** This is generally the emission factor data source, i.e. ADEME's Base Empreinte (Footprint Database) for France. To harmonize the measurements, it is also essential to document intermediate assumptions such as allocation factors. Documentation can be inhomogeneous or evolve quickly for specific topics (e.g. network energy efficiency).

Calculation Approaches:

- **Organizational approach:** These methods provide the direct and indirect carbon footprints of the organization activities over a year. For example: Bilan Carbone®, GHG Protocol® or Organisation Environmental Footprint (OEF – multi-criteria but makes it possible to calculate the carbon equivalent).
- **Product/service approach:** These methods provide the carbon footprint of a product or a service, for a functional unit defining this service. For example: Empreinte Carbone Produit (ECP – equivalent to the lifecycle analysis focused on carbon impact only), Product Environmental Footprint (PEF – multi-criteria, but makes it possible to calculate the carbon equivalent). In the field of advertising, for example, the impact of a communication campaign roll-out is measured over three months.

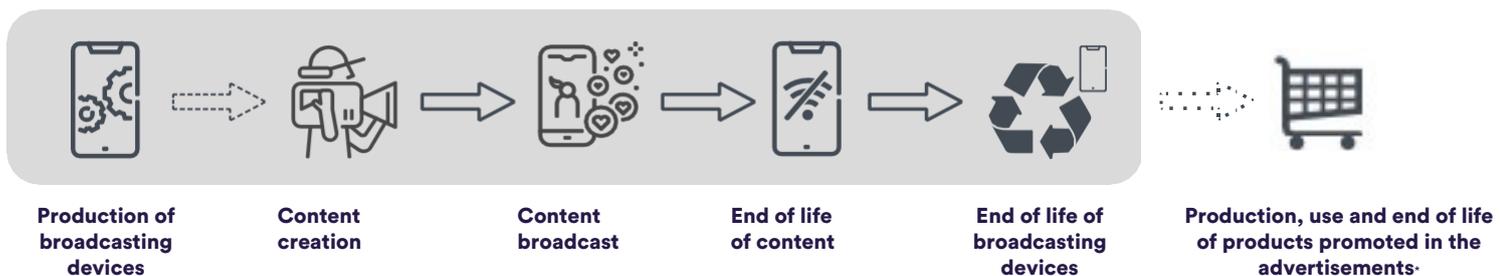


Scope

The Oneframe initiative version that is introduced today covers seven communication media. This corpus is intended to be enriched in future versions.



Calculations are based on the lifecycle of a communication campaign as defined by the ADEME:



Les étapes clés pour établir le bilan carbone de ses campagnes de communication :

- 1 / **Choose the calculation method** according to the communication
- 2 / **Decide** who will perform the calculation
- 3 / **Collect** data
- 4 / **Take stock of the** campaign based on the results

· This step is not included in the campaign carbon impact calculation.

Methods to Establish a Carbon Balance:

3 work options have been identified: They allow brands to identify the right tools and relevant players that could help them, in order to calculate the carbon footprint of each communication channel and aggregate the results to get an overall assessment.

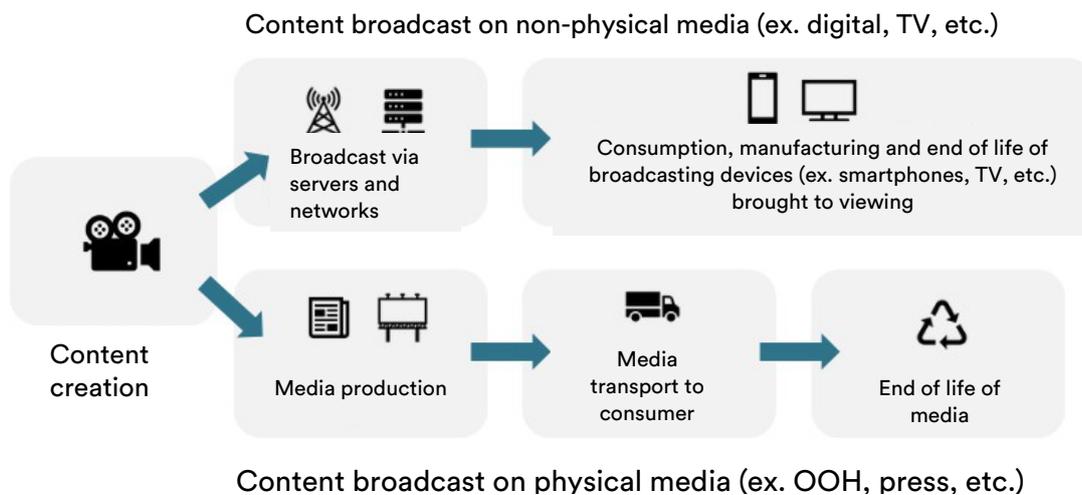
	<p>Option 1</p> <p>Creation of an ad hoc calculation tool developed internally, and covering all communication channels</p>	<p>Option 2</p> <p>Involvement of a third party (e.g. agency, firm, SAAS platform, etc.) that has already developed its own calculation tool</p>	<p>Option 3</p> <p>Use of reference calculation tools developed for each channel, and aggregation of the results</p>
Main issues for the brand	<p>Be able to develop a calculation method in line with existing frameworks.</p> <p>For this, the brand must have the skills in-house to develop and maintain the tool.</p>	<p>Ensure that the third-party tool is in line with the scopes and methods of the existing frameworks for each communication channel, that it allows a unified process for all communication channels, and that it is able to challenge its partner.</p>	<p>Confirm with each media that it is able to collect data on each channel, and to organize and consolidate results in a report.</p>
Benefits	<p>An internal calculator that is modular according to data available on the brand side and to completed actions. The teams are autonomous.</p>	<p>No development required, since the tool <i>a priori</i> already exists (e.g. tools developed by agencies).</p>	<p>Data are collected and processed directly by the requested media. No tool development required since the impact calculation tools <i>a priori</i> already exist for each media (tools developed by the inter-professional association, or directly by the media).</p>
Disadvantages	<p>Development of a comprehensive tool. If the brand has no expertise internally, it will need some external support.</p>	<p>A calculation where result granularity has to be validated according to the tool. Data are collected and processed by the partner owning the tool. The expertise remains outsourced.</p>	<p>Since different entities are in charge of the calculations, the brand must use a dashboard to aggregate impact results as well as business indicators related to the campaign. Granularity may vary depending on the tools that are used.</p>

2 Panorama and Analysis of Calculation Methods from Production to Broadcast

Scope to be Included in Impact Calculations:

For each campaign, the impact calculation must consider all broadcasting channels and media, from the creation of contents to their broadcast.

The diagram below details differences to be considered between physical and non-physical broadcasting media. The way each step is modeled based on the existing frameworks is detailed thereafter.



1 / Content Creation

Content creation refers to all production steps occurring upstream of the campaign roll-out: audio, video, image content. A campaign can include multiple contents resulting from different creative processes. Conversely, the same content can be used for several successive campaigns and broadcasted on several types of media.

Impacts to be measured :

- Transport of equipment and persons (media, teams)
 - Consumption of energy and consumables (food, makeup, decors, etc.)
 - Use of services and equipment
 - Waste production
- Circular Std Book

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Studied framework: Ecoprod Carbon'Clap v2

Characteristics of the framework :

- This framework has been developed by [the Ecoprod association](#), led by Workflowers with many professionals from the audiovisual, film and advertising production sector. Created in 2012, it has been updated in 2022 and released March 9th, 2023. It was recently approved by the CNC.
- Carbon'Clap est constitué d'une méthodologie détaillant les calculs réalisés selon les données d'entrée et d'un outil de mesure opensource permettant d'évaluer les émissions de GES de la création de contenus.
- This tool is available free of charge and accessible upon registration. A more detailed and customized dashboard is also available as a complement in the member area, for members of the association only. It provides a real-time monitoring assessment.

Scope covered by the framework :

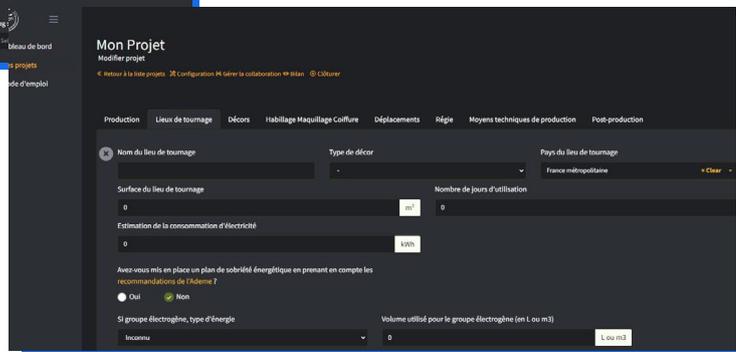
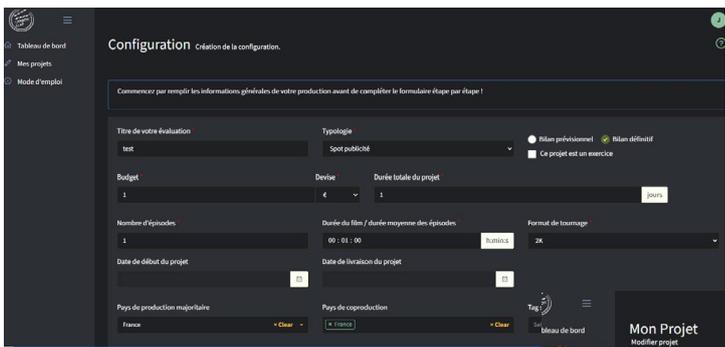
- This framework includes the GHG emissions of an audiovisual, cinematographic and advertising production that are associated with its manufacturing, from the preparation phase to the ready-to-broadcast status. The animated production will be released in fall 2023.
- Emissions covered in the content creation process are as follows :

Production	Film location	Decor	Clothing Makeup Hairdressing	Travels	Media Accommodations Catering	Technical means Shooting, lights, mobile dressing rooms, vehicles for shooting	Post-production <i>Video and audio- editing, special effects, calibrations, laboratory, archiving</i>
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- It makes it possible to make a provisional balance upstream of production as well as a final balance with proven data.

	Option 1 Creation of an ad hoc calculation tool developed internally	Option 2 Use of a partner tool	Option 3 Use of tools developed by each channel
Choice of the calculation tool	Use the results as input data for the Carbon'Clap measurement tool via an API in the calculator developed in-house.	Partner tool (to be defined, for example tool developed by the advertiser's agency), including compatibility of scope, modeling and input data to be validated	Carbon'Clap tool used by the production teams, to which the brand accesses as a collaborator
Emission or allocation factors to be used	Carbon'Clap factors and models from ADEME databases and sectoral data (modeled by Ecoprod)	Factors and models of the partner tool (robustness of the sources to be validated)	Factors and Carbon'Clap models from ADEME databases and sectoral data (modeled by Ecoprod)
Input data to be integrated	<p>Production characteristics: Type of content, length, budget, number of days, country of shooting, production, and post-production, etc.),</p> <p>Physical activity data (km traveled by the teams, energy consumed to power the technical means, filming and production locations, produced waste, consumables used)</p> <p>Monetary data from the production cost estimate for remaining data (services, insurance, film sets, clothing, hairdressing, makeup, equipment rental and other services)</p> <p>Campaign recurrence: Number of campaigns using the content</p>		
Who does organize the input data collection?	Brand's production teams	Partner	Production teams

<p>Where are the main input data collected?</p>	<p>Production cost estimates and filming activity data available from the production teams</p>
<p>Output indicators to be monitored by the brand</p>	<p>Impact of content creation for a campaign (kgCO₂e_{crea}) – It is interesting to monitor this indicator for each campaign, i.e. by dividing the impact of content production by the number of campaigns for which it will be reused without reshooting.</p> <p>Impact of content creation per contact reached by the campaign (kgCO₂e_{crea}/contacts) – The concept of contact depends on each media and will be defined later</p> <p>Impact of content creation per € spent on this creation (kgCO₂e_{crea}/k€)</p> <p>Impact of content creation per minute of produced content (kgCO₂e_{crea}/min)</p> <p>Impact of content creation per day of shooting (kgCO₂e_{crea}/days)</p>



Screenshots from the Carbon'Clap tool for data collection

APPLICATION EXAMPLE

Brand X carries out a multimedia advertising campaign entitled XX.

The brand is making a film for a video production that will result in 10 video assets. Filming takes place in Romania, with a team of 30 people, for 5 days. The communication team wishes to calculate the carbon footprint of the creation of these contents, and calls on the creative agency Y, which

carried out the filming. This agency has a calculator based on the Ecoprod framework, referenced on the creative agency Y, which carried out the filming. This agency has a calculator based on the Ecoprod framework, referenced by Union des marques in Oneframe.

Putting into practice the calculation of the carbon footprint of content creation

Use of a partner tool (option 2)

Input data to be integrated	<p>As most input data (travels related to filming, purchases, etc.) are integrated in the agency's calculation tool to which the brand refers, the input data to be collected is only the CO₂ impact of content creation, directly sent by its interlocutor.</p> <p>To carry out some checks and identify reduction levers, it is interesting to collect details of this measurement provided by item (at least main items).</p>	<p>Value examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total CO₂e for filming and production: 20.1 tCO₂e • Breakdown by emission category: 		
			Emissions (tCO ₂ e)	Emissions (%)
		Travel related to filming	15,2	76%
		Energy (generators)	3,1	15%
		Other items	1,8	9%
		TOTAL	20,1	100%
Emission or allocation factors to be used	<p>Models and allocations are implemented directly in the calculator of the requested agency.</p> <p>The brand must first confirm that these calculations have been carried out on a calculator that complies with the Ecoprod/Carbon'Clap framework.</p>			
Who does organize the input data collection?	<p>The brand has appointed someone in charge of the data collection.</p> <p>This person collected data from the campaign manager in the agency.</p>			
Where are the main input data collected?	<p>The agency sends the calculation of the carbon impacts directly to the brand.</p>			
Output indicators to be monitored and findings	<p>Indicators to be monitored:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact of creation of campaign content (kgCO₂e/crea) • If provided (ideal): Breakdown of impact (kgCO₂e/crea) by emission category • Impact of content creation per contact reached by the campaign (kgCO₂e/crea/contacts) – The concept of contact depends on each media and will be defined later. • Impact of content creation per € spent on this creation (kgCO₂e/crea/k€) • Impact of content creation per minute of content produced (kgCO₂e/crea/min) • Impact of content creation per day of shooting (kgCO₂e/crea/days) <p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impacts are mainly related to air travel by the film crew. Think about the filming location, the type of transport, pooling and optimization of production (photos, videos, etc.). • Using a less carbon-intensive energy source can have a significant impact. 			

2 / Digital Advertising

Digital advertising refers to advertisements broadcasted on digital media operated by any type of players: publishing and news, video streaming, retail and services, TV and radio, social networks, etc.

There are various formats and content types: traditional display (image, text), video, audio or native, conventional social (image, photo, text) or video.

Content is viewed on broadcast terminals (smartphones, computers, tablets, TV screens, etc.). It is stored on servers and transmitted via Internet networks (WiFi, 4G, 5G).



SCOPE OF COMMON BASE		V1 (October 21)	V2 (April 23)
ADVERTISERS & MEDIA AGENCIES: Communication strategy			
CONTENT PRODUCTION: Creation agency, filming, etc.			
BEFORE BROADCAST & ADVERTISING ENVIRONMENT: Marketing, media planning, targeting (DMP), DCO			
ADVERTISING SPACE ALLOCATION & ANALYTICS (SSP, DSP, ETC.)	ADTECH OPERATION		
	PROGRAMMATIC SERVERS	●	●
	OTHER SERVERS*		●
	NETWORKS	●	●
ADVERTISEMENT BROADCASTING	MEDIA OPERATION		
	SERVERS	●	●
	NETWORKS	●	●
	TERMINALS	●	●
THIRD-PARTY TRACKING: USE OF ADTECH SERVERS AND OF NETWORKS			
POST-CLICK: landing site / app, analytics			

* “Other” servers refer to servers used for out of auctions and broadcast usages (reporting, machine learning, back-end, etc.)

□ Out of scope ● Only use is taken into account ● The entire life cycle is taken into account

Impacts to be measured:

- The entire lifecycle (manufacturing, energy consumption and end of life) of servers, networks, and terminals involved in the broadcasting of advertisements.
- The entire lifecycle (manufacturing, energy consumption and end of life) of servers, networks, and terminals of third-party players for selling programmatic broadcasting space. To assess mainly interactions of DSPs and SSPs included in the programmatic chain, to be accounted for according to the number of implemented “active paths” and optimizations made – See the detailed framework for more information.

Framework studied for this media:

- SRI & Alliance Digitale framework for the calculation of the carbon footprint generated by digital campaign broadcasting, [V2 \(04/2023\)](#).

Characteristics of the framework:

- This framework was co-developed with players involved in the digital broadcast chain, led by the Syndicat des Régies Internet (SRI). It is based on the latest methodological standards (PCR ADEME) and has been submitted to a consistency study with other frameworks on the same topic.
- The framework includes a methodological guide that defines the principle and the scope of the carbon footprint calculation for a digital campaign, as well as a database with average factors allowing an impact calculation based on data.
- It is open-source and updated on a regular basis regarding the scope considered and emission factors used.

Scope covered by the framework:

- Manufacturing, use and end of life of servers and networks used for space allocation (full lifecycle).
- Manufacturing, use and end of life of servers and networks used for broadcasting advertising content to the user terminal (full lifecycle).
- Manufacturing, use and end of life of user terminals (full lifecycle). Their weight is particularly significant in the overall footprint of a digital advertising.

This framework was mainly developed in collaboration with players in traditional display and video. It is therefore the most suitable for these formats, but it is compatible with the other ones.

	Option 1 Creation of an ad hoc tool by the brand	Option 2 Use of a partner tool	Option 3 Use of tools developed by each channel
Choice of the calculation tool	<p>Calculator developed internally using the calculation mechanics and the database of SRI & Alliance Digitale. Use of SRI & Alliance Digitale database, which provides models for the market and specifiable data with default averages according to three levels of precision.</p> <p>A priori, the brand will only be able to retain the lowest level of precision (level 1, maybe 2). It will have to see with media involved how to get a more precise calculation.</p>	Choice of the calculation tool	<p>Calculator developed internally using the calculation mechanics and the database of SRI & Alliance Digitale. Use of SRI & Alliance Digitale database, which provides models for the market and specifiable data with default averages according to three levels of precision.</p> <p>A priori, the brand will only be able to retain the lowest level of precision (level 1, maybe 2). It will have to see with media involved how to get a more precise calculation.</p>
Emission or allocation factors to be used	<p>Average factors and modeling from the SRI & Alliance Digitale database for data in common with the market and level 2 and 3 default data.</p>	Emission or allocation factors to be used	<p>Average factors and modeling from the SRI & Alliance Digitale database for data in common with the market and level 2 and 3 default data.</p>
Input data to be integrated	<p>By format broadcasted during the campaign</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total number of prints • Breakdown of prints by country (%) • Breakdown of prints by broadcast terminal type (%) • Content viewing time (time of exposure for the display and length of the spot x completion rate for the video) • Weight of broadcast content (KB) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over-the-counter mode of sale without competition or programmatic 		
Who does organize the input data collection?	Internal team of the brand	Who does organize the input data collection?	Internal team of the brand
Where are the main input data collected?	<p>Main data are found in the campaign reports. Possibility of dynamic collection for some elements, via analytic tools.</p>		
Output indicators to be monitored by the brand	<p>Total impact of digital broadcasting (kgCO₂edigital)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakdown of impact (kgCO₂edigital) by digital third-party and by digital phase (servers – programmatic, networks – programmatic, servers – broadcasting, networks – broadcasting, terminals – broadcasting) • Breakdown of impact (kgCO₂edigital) by phase of digital broadcasting lifecycle (manufacturing and end of life, use) • Impact of digital broadcasting per contact reached by the campaign (gCO₂edigital/1000contacts) – for digital, contacts are defined by the number of prints. • Impact of digital broadcasting per € spent on this broadcast (kgCO₂editigal/€) • Impact of digital broadcasting per second of broadcast content (tCO₂edigital/s) 		

APPLICATION EXAMPLE

Brand X carries out a multimedia advertising campaign entitled XX. It is broadcasted for one year on several digital channels:

- Pure player websites (Leboncoin...) / Display (native format)
- Médias presses (20min, Le Monde, Le Point...) / Display (header)
- Digital TV media websites (TF1, M6) / 30-second video pre-roll
- Réseaux sociaux (Facebook, Instagram, Youtube) / vidéo 20 secondes.
- The communication team wishes to calculate the carbon footprint of the digital broadcast for this campaign. It has a tool built on the SRI measurement framework, with a level 2 granularity as defined, thus allowing a good measurement granularity.

Since a media agency Y has been commissioned for this campaign, this agency holds most of the information needed for a proper calculation of the impacts.

Putting into practice the calculation of the carbon footprint of digital broadcast
Creation of an ad hoc tool by the brand (option 1)

Input data to be integrated	<p>Level 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total number of prints • Breakdown of prints by broadcast terminal type (%) • Content viewing duration in s (time of exposure for display and length of the spot x completion rate for the video) • Weight of broadcast content (KB) • Number of campaigns in programmatic or in over-the-counter sale mode <p>Level 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakdown of prints by country (%) • Breakdown of prints by network (fixed/mobile) (%) 	<p>Examples of values</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 million prints including 50 million in static (display) and 150 million in video (different lengths) • Breakdown: 55% smartphones, 35% PCs, 10% tablets. • As far as display is concerned, exposure duration cannot be collected, and it is estimated with a market average of 10 seconds. Completion rate is not monitored, and it is modeled 100% on videos (default value). • Weight of display formats: 100 KB • Weight of display formats: Modeled with an average bitrate of 1.1Mb/s, allowing video lengths to be considered. • 100% programmatic • Breakdown of prints by country: 50% France, 25% country of broadcast (%) Belgium, 10% Spain, 10% Poland, 3 % Italy, 1% Romania, 1% Luxembourg. • 90% of broadcast on fixed network, 10% on mobile.
Emission or allocation factors to be used	<p>Models and allocations are implemented directly in the brand’s calculator, in line with the SRI recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The impact of servers and networks is estimated according to the used bandwidth (proportional to the weight of formats and the number of prints) • The impact of terminals is estimated according to the time of use of terminals (proportional to the weight of formats and the number of prints) <p>The emission factors used are those aggregated by the SRI V2.1. standard. The brand has therefore updated its calculator.</p>	

<p>Who does organize the input data collection?</p>	<p>The brand has appointed someone in charge of the data collection. This person collected data from the campaign manager in the agency.</p>
<p>Where are the main input data collected?</p>	<p>Main data are present in the campaign reports: The agency has sent campaign reports per country, which included, among other things, digital data (number of prints per country, breakdown of terminals, etc.). The weight of created content was measured directly on files sent by the creative agency. Missing data have been estimated by the brand managers (exposure time).</p>
<p>Output indicators to be monitored and conclusion</p>	<p>Indicators to be monitored:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total impact of digital broadcasting (kgCO₂edigital) ● Breakdown of impact (kgCO₂edigital) by digital third-party, by digital phase (servers – programmatic, networks – programmatic, servers – broadcast, networks – broadcast, terminals – broadcast) ● Breakdown of impact (kgCO₂edigital) by phase of digital broadcasting lifecycle (manufacturing and end of life, use) ● Impact of digital broadcasting per contact reached by the campaign (<i>gCO₂edigital/1000contacts</i>) – for digital, contacts are defined by the number of prints ● Impact of digital broadcasting per € spent on this broadcast (kgCO₂edigital/€) ● Impact of digital broadcasting per second of broadcast content (tCO₂edigital/s) <p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● In this campaign, manufacturing of terminals is the major source of carbon impact. To reduce the weight of the campaign, measurement of the exposure time must be more precise, and unnecessary prints have to be reduced. ● The network impact is also significant. Optimization can be found on the video quality. ● Lastly, encouraging over-the-counter sale modes can limit the use of servers and networks before broadcasting.

3 / La publicité TV

TV advertising refers to advertisements broadcasted on non-catch-up live TV media. Broadcasted contents are videos only (spots) with varying lengths.

Broadcast media are viewed on broadcast terminals (mainly televisions), stored on servers, and transmitted via Internet networks (DTTV, satellite, IPTV, WiFi, etc.).

Impacts to be measured:

- Energy consumption
- Production



Framework studied for this media:

- [SNPTV framework, V2 \(05/2023\)](#)

Characteristics of the framework :

- This framework was co-developed with the involvement of SNPTV member TV media, TV broadcasting channel players and carbon impact measurement players, led by the National Union for Television Advertising (SNPTV). It is based on the most recent methodological standards (PCR ADEME) and on the technical expertise of players in the sector.
- The framework includes a guide that defines the scope of calculation as well as the models used to calculate the carbon footprint of a TV campaign, and a database with average factors allowing an impact calculation based on input data.
- It is available exclusively to SNPTV member networks. The framework is integrated in a tool developed by DK and used by all SNPTV member media, allowing them to calculate the carbon impact of their campaigns.

Scope covered by the framework :

- The scope takes into account servers and networks that are used when broadcasting advertising content on the user terminal.
- The following data are included in the calculation:
 - Manufacturing, use and end of life of user terminals (full lifecycle).
 - Their weight is particularly significant in the overall footprint of a digital advertising.
 - Use of servers and networks (partial lifecycle)
 - Use of servers and networks (partial lifecycle) according to the SRI V1 framework, pending expected improvements in V2, which will be described in an update of the TV framework.

Lifecycle phases	Servers	Networks	Terminals
Upstream (manufacturing, distribution)	Excluded	Excluded	Included
Usage	Included	Included	Included
End of life	Excluded	Excluded	Included

	Option 1 Creation of an ad hoc tool by the brand	Option 2 Use of a partner tool	Option 3 Use of tools developed by each channel
Choice of the calculation tool	<p>Since used databases are only partially available in open-source, brands, agencies, or other players wishing to develop their own multichannel tool will have to:</p> <p>a. Integrate the results of the common tool developed by the SNPTV directly into the input data of their own calculator (paid access – DK platform license); collection is possible via a dedicated API.</p> <p>b. Exchange with the SNPTV the access to a part of data from average media owning the SNPTV. Some data, such as impact values of terminals, servers and digital networks are available free of charge, which will allow to rebuild the calculation mechanics based on a freely accessible methodology (See previous link to SNPTV framework).</p> <p><i>Case a. involves using a gross carbon result, with no granularity, in its own calculator. In this case, the option to collect via an API could allow a more efficient automatic processing if tools are interconnected (to be implemented).</i></p> <p><i>Case b. requires some background work to rebuild used data, in order to make the calculator compatible with the framework.</i></p>		<p>Call upon TV media accessing the common SNPTV tool (DK platform) or their own tool.</p> <p><i>Option 3 remains the most precise and up-to-date option (media specific models are considered), but it requires a separate processing for each media – which is inefficient for advertisers. The brand will be able to select some media to be requested, which account for the biggest portion of printing volumes for the campaign. The advantage is the possibility to have media channel-specific data with an higher granularity (e.g. real average rate, etc.).</i></p>
Emission or allocation factors to be used	<p>In case a., factors and models are managed directly by the third-party tool (no access to the emission factors of the SNPTV database).</p> <p>In case b., factors and models have to be rebuilt with freely available data and SNPTV averages, for which access must be requested.</p>		<p>Factors and models are managed directly by the third-party tool (results of the common SNPTV tool; no access to emission factors in the SNPTV database).</p>
Input data to be integrated	<p>Per format of broadcasted spot during the campaign GRP4+ audience of the spot (and then a conversion between GRP and total audience) Number of broadcasts of the spot Spot length</p> <p>Note: Country of broadcast is not requested. To date, the TV calculator has been developed for France. An adaptation is under development for other countries, but it requires confirming the breakdown of broadcast networks (DTTV, satellite, etc.).</p>		

Who does organize the input data collection?	Brand	Partner	Media concerned
Where are the main input data collected?	Must be requested to the media or their DK partners if the advertiser or its partner wishes a direct integration of the tool results.		
Output indicators to be monitored by the brand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total impact of TV broadcast (kgCO₂etv) • Breakdown of TV broadcast impact by digital third-party (kgCO₂etv) • Breakdown of impact by lifecycle phases (manufacturing and end of life of servers, networks and terminals, use of servers, networks, and terminals) of TV broadcast (kgCO₂etv) • TV broadcast impact per contact reached by the campaign (gCO₂etv/1000contacts) – <i>For TV, contacts are defined by the 4+ audience of the spot</i> • Impact of TV broadcast per € spent on this broadcast (kgCO₂etv/€) • Impact of TV broadcast per second of broadcast content (tCO₂etv/s) 		

APPLICATION EXAMPLE

Brand X carries out a multimedia advertising campaign entitled XX. It has been broadcasted on different TV channels (TF1, TMC, F2, F3, M6, W9, C8, BFM, L'Equipe, etc.) for one year.

The advertisement length is 40 seconds (video provided in the required format by channels). The communication team wishes to calculate the carbon footprint of

the TV broadcast of this campaign. The Oneframe methodology thus suggests turning to the SNPTV framework. As it is not possible to have direct access to this framework, TV channels will have to be called upon. Moreover, the media agency Y, which has been commissioned for this campaign, holds most of the information necessary for a proper calculation of the impacts.

Practical application of the carbon footprint calculation for TV broadcast

Use of tools developed by each channel (option 3)

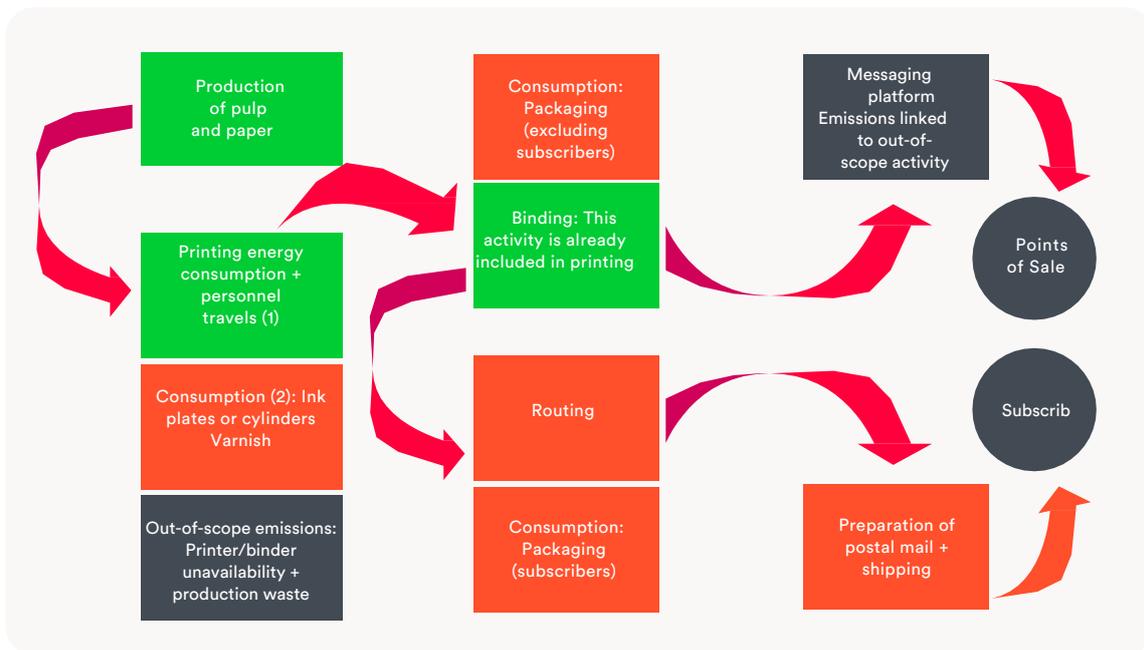
Input data to be integrated	<p>As most input data (audience, broadcast duration, etc.) are integrated in the media and/or agency calculation tool to which the brand refers, there is only one input data to be collected: CO₂e impact of TV broadcast sent by its interlocutor (possibly by channel). This impact will be integrated by the brand alongside other media.</p> <p>To carry out some checks, it is interesting to collect as well:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The detail of this measurement provided by the media/agencies: by country, by digital third-party, by broadcasting mode • The campaign GRP by country (possibly by channel), or ideally the audience. • CO₂e impact for 1000 contacts (possibly by channel) 	Value examples:			
		Total CO ₂ e of the TV broadcast over the period considered: 150 tCO ₂ e over 1 year Breakdown by country (audience and impact) over the period considered			
			France (all channels)	Belgium (all channels)	Luxembourg (all channels)
		Audience (millions)	139	100	50
		Carbon impact (tCO ₂ e)	38.9	36.0	36.1
	Impact for 1000 contacts (gCO ₂ e / 1000 contacts)	280	360	722	
Emission or allocation factors to be used	Models and allocations are implemented directly in the calculator of players involved. However, the brand must first confirm that calculations are carried out on a calculator that complies with the SNPTV framework.				
Who does organize the input data collection?	The brand has appointed someone in charge of the data collection. This person collected data from the campaign manager in the agency.				
Where are the main input data collected?	Data, excluding carbon impact, are present in the default campaign reports that are transmitted by the agency. The carbon impact calculation is sent directly to the brand by the requested media/agencies.				
Output indicators to be monitored and findings.	<p>Indicators to be monitored:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total impact of TV broadcast (kgCO₂etv) • If provided (ideal): Breakdown of TV broadcast impact by TV third-party (kgCO₂etv) • If provided (ideal): Breakdown of impact by lifecycle phases (manufacturing and end of life of servers, networks and terminals, use of servers, networks, and terminals) of TV broadcast (kgCO₂etv) • If provided (ideal): Impact of TV broadcast per contact reached by the campaign (gCO₂etv/1000contacts) – for TV, contacts are defined by the 4+ audience of the spot. • Impact of TV broadcast per € spent on this broadcast (kgCO₂etv/€) • Impact of TV broadcast per second of broadcast content (tCO₂etv/s) <p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impacts are approximately equally distributed across the different countries, but for very different audiences. • The choice of countries is a strong optimization lever. It is considered to favor shorter formats in order to reduce the direct impact. 				

4 / Print Advertising

Print advertising refers to advertisements in print magazines and daily print newspapers. Printed contents are therefore photos or images, with inset sizes varying according to the page.

Impacts to be measured:

- Production of paper and consumables
- Energy and fuel consumption for all transport and handling stages
- Waste management



-  Specific transport (actual distance)
-  Generic transport (average distance)

Generic data (independent from the service provider)

Specific data (service provider function)

Emissions out of scope of the calculator

Framework studied for this media:

Eco Impact SEPM, V1.2 (09/2022), V2 development in progress.



Characteristics of the framework :

- This framework was co-developed with 85% of magazine press players in collaboration with Ecograf and Greenspector, led by the Syndicat des Éditeurs de la Presse Magazine (SEPM). It meets the requirements of the Greenhouse Gas Protocol, ISO 16759: 2013 and ISO 14067:2018 standards and the INTERGRAF recommendations for the evaluation of greenhouse gas emissions generated during production of printed advertisement. This compliance has been verified by the ECOCERT Environment certification body.
- Eco Impact SEPM uses 13 variables of the European Intergraf recommendations for the paper part, and the Greenspector methodology for the digital part, which complies with the SRI/Alliance Digitale framework (both public).
- The framework includes a methodological guide explaining the scope of calculation, the models used to calculate the carbon footprint and an Eco Impact calculator allowing each publisher to calculate its footprint, according to its specificities.
- It is available to publishers only, who are the only ones able to provide the data needed for calculating their magazine impact.
- Each publisher must define individually and for its own usage a technical mix (specific industrial data to obtain a more precise impact for its publications). The paper database is updated every year.

Scope covered by the framework :

- This framework covers advertisements delivered by magazine publishers on their physical and digital media. We only consider here the part of the framework dealing with physical media (print). The SRI/Alliance Digitale framework (previously mentioned) is more suitable for all digital formats than the digital part developed by the SEPM for publishing media agencies. However, it should be noted that both frameworks (SRI and SEPM) lead to the same considered scope and some modeling assumptions, due to collaborative work between both organizations.
- The framework covers the entire paper magazine distribution chain, from pulp production to paper and delivery to point of sales or subscribers. The scope is shown above.
- The scope of the tool does not include the estimate of emissions generated by the end-of-life management of magazines and the proportion of unsold items. Indeed, it does consider the production of unsold products, but not the fact that it is necessary to produce higher quantities than what will be sold.

The SRP (Syndicat des Régies Publishers) currently develops a press framework that will be available in 2024 and integrated in the next version of the guide.

	Option 1 Creation of an ad hoc tool by the brand	Option 2 Use of a partner tool	Option 3 Use of tools developed by each channel
Choice of the calculation tool	<p>Brands, agencies, or other players wishing to develop their own multichannel tool will have to integrate directly as input data of their own calculator the results provided by each publisher that has access to the Eco Impact SEPM tool.</p> <p>The brand will be able to build an impact base that will be reused in each calculation related to the most frequently used formats in collaboration with publishing media. For the press, options 1 and 2 are therefore equivalent to option 3. It is still more precise and up to date, but it requires a separate processing for each media.</p> <p>To streamline its approach, the brand can select some media to be requested, which account for the largest portion of printing volumes for the campaign. The advantage is the possibility to get specific data with higher granularity for each publication (paper, packaging, logistics).</p> <p><i>This approach involves using a gross carbon result, with no granularity, in its own calculator.</i></p> <p><i>The SEPM preferred an approach relying on field data obtained through a real-life impact measurement of digital formats as well as data from industrial partners in the graphic chain.</i></p> <p><i>These data as well as industrial choices of publisher technical mixes that must be set in the tool are confidential business information and cannot be disclosed, unlike average and less precise data.</i></p>		
Emission or allocation factors to be used	Factors and models are managed directly by the third-party tool of media (EcoImpact SEPM configuration for the publisher's titles).		
Input data to be integrated	<p>Data related to the campaign: insert size, number of pages, number of releases, distribution medium</p> <p>Publisher specific data: used papers (reference numbers, producers, papermill location), printers/binders, distance traveled (between sites, distribution)</p>		
Who does organize the input data collection?	Media concerned	Partner	Media concerned
Where are the main input data collected?	Main data related to campaigns are present in campaign reports. Remaining data are available from the publisher.		
Output indicators to be monitored by the brand	<p>Total impact of print distribution (kgCO₂eprint) Breakdown of impact per life cycle phases of the magazine (paper production, transformation, printing and binding, transport, end of life) of print distribution (kgCO₂eprint)</p> <p>Impact of print distribution per contact reached by the campaign (gCO₂eprint/1000contacts) – <i>for print, contacts are defined by the number of sold magazines containing the advertisement.</i></p> <p>Impact of print distribution per € spent on this distribution (kgCO₂eprint/€)</p>		

APPLICATION EXAMPLE

Brand X carries out a multimedia advertising campaign entitled XX. It is released for one year on different daily press media and magazines (Le Monde, Le Figaro, L'Obs, Le Point, Les Echos, Capital, Télé Loisirs, etc.).

The advertisement is published in a SPQ format (Simple Page Quadri). The communication team wishes to calculate the carbon footprint of the print distribution of this campaign. Oneframe methodology

thus suggests using the SEPM calculator. As the brand does not have direct access to this calculator, media agencies will have to be requested.

Moreover, the media agency Y, which has been commissioned for this campaign, holds most of the information necessary for a proper calculation of the impacts.

Practical application of the carbon footprint calculation for print distribution

Use of tools developed by each channel (option 3)

Input data to be integrated	<p>Since most of the input data (number of printed pages, paper weight, etc.) are integrated in the media and/or agency tools to which the brand refers, the only input data to be collected is: CO₂e impact of print distribution sent directly by its interlocutor (possibly by type of magazine).</p> <p>To carry out some checks, it is interesting to collect as well:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detail of this measurement provided by the media/agencies: by country, by media • Number of prints • CO₂e impact for 1000 contacts (possibly per channel) 	Value examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total CO₂e of print distribution over the period considered: 45 tCO₂e for one year • Breakdown by country (print and impact) over the period considered 		
			France (all media)	Belgium (all media)
		Impressions (millions)	25,9	5,0
		Impact carbone (tCO ₂ e)	37,0	8,0
		Impact pour 1000 impressions (gCO ₂ e / 1000 impressions)	1 430	1 600
Emission or allocation factors to be used	<p>Modeling and allocations are implemented directly in the calculator of players involved. The brand must first confirm that calculations are made on the SEPM calculator (or one that complies with its methodology).</p>			
Who does organize the input data collection?	<p>The brand has appointed someone in charge of the data collection. This person collected data from the campaign manager in the agency. The agency collected the information from media that use the SEPM calculator.</p>			

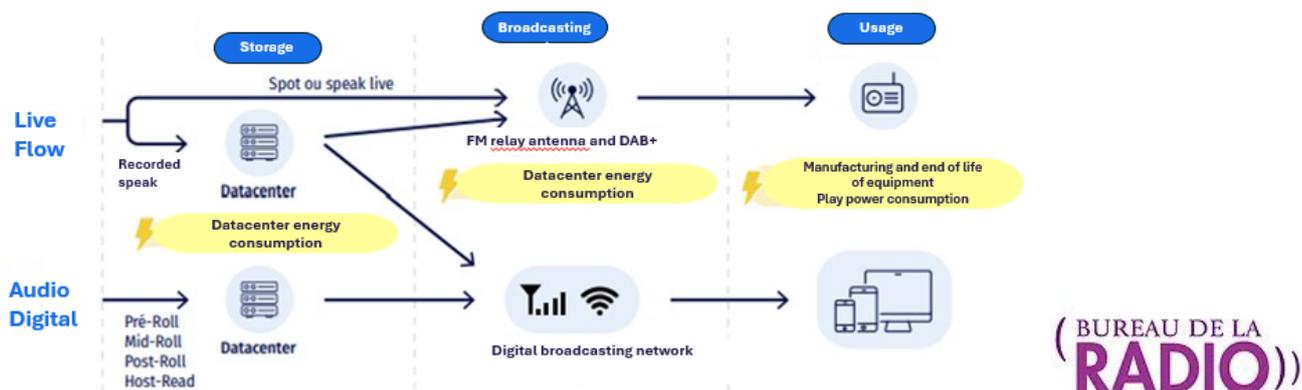
<p>Where are the main input data collected?</p>	<p>Data, excluding carbon impact, are present in the default campaign reports, which are transmitted by the agency.</p> <p>The carbon impact calculation is sent directly to the brand by the requested media/agencies.</p>
<p>Output indicators to be monitored and findings.</p>	<p>Indicators to be monitored:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total impact of print distribution (kgCO₂eprint) • If provided (ideal): Breakdown of impact by life cycle phases of the magazine (paper production, transformation, printing and binding, transport, end of life) of print distribution (kgCO₂eprint) • If provided (ideal): Impact of print distribution per contact reached by the campaign (gCO₂eprint/1000contacts) – for a print campaign, contacts are defined by the number of sold magazines containing the advertisement. • Impact of print distribution per € spent on this distribution (kgCO₂eprint/€) <p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impacts are mainly proportional to the number of prints. <p>It is important to obtain from the media more details about the optimization levers: a priori, paper type and weight, management of unsold volumes, etc.</p>

5 / Radio Advertising

Radio advertising refers to advertising broadcasted live on the radio media as well as its digital variants. Broadcasted content is audio content only with varying lengths.

Content is listened to via broadcast terminals (radio sets, smartphones, computers, etc.), partially stored on servers, and transmitted through broadcast networks (radio network – FM and DAB+, digital networks – fixed and mobile).

Impacts to be measured:



Framework studied for this media: [Bureau de la radio framework, V1 \(03/2023\)](#)

Characteristics of the framework:

- Média Ads and Connect, Lagardère Publicité News, M6 Publicité, NRJ Global, TF1 PUB, Kétil, Nova Régie, Radio France Publicité et Skyrock Public), has established a workforce coordinated by the Bureau de la Radio in order to define a footprint measurement (expressed in tCO2e) for the broadcasting of a radio and audio advertising service.
- This framework was co-developed in collaboration with players of the carbon footprint measurement (including the DK company and the Association Bilan Carbone), led by the Bureau de la Radio (BDR). It is based on the Bilan Carbone methodological standard and on the technical expertise of players in the sector, as well as on works carried out by the SRI & Alliance Digitale in their framework for 'digital'. The framework includes a guide that defines the scope of calculation as well as the models used to calculate the carbon footprint of a radio campaign and a database with average factors allowing an impact calculation based on input data.
- It is available [under this link](#), and accessible via the nine media.
- The framework is integrated in a tool used by all member media in France, developed by DK, allowing media to calculate the carbon impact of their campaigns.

Scope covered by the framework :

The scope takes into account:

- The storage of advertising creation in datacenters
- The spot broadcasting via FM and DAB+ relay antennas or a digital broadcasting network
- The use i.e. the audience listening to the advertising via radio or digital receiving terminals.

Framework data are updated on a regular basis. For example, it already integrates the scope of the SRI V2 framework for 'digital' (released in June 2023). To date, programmatic is integrated in the calculator, under the SRI V1 methodology. A study is underway to adjust the modeling for the radio media.

Data considered in the common calculator are listed below:

	Servers	Satellite networks	Web networks	FM relay antenna networks	Radio terminals	Car radio terminals	Digital terminals
Manufacturing	Coming soon	Data not available	Excluded	Data not available	Partially included	Data not available	Included
Usage	Included	Data not available	Included	Included	Included	Data not available	Included
End of life	Coming soon	Data not available	Excluded	Data not available	Partially included	Data not available	Included

	Option 1 Creation of an ad hoc tool by the brand	Option 2 Use of a partner tool	Option 3 Use of tools developed by each channel
Choice of the calculation tool	<p>Since used databases are only partially available in open-source, brands, agencies, or other players wishing to develop their own multichannel tool will have to:</p> <p>a. Integrate results of the common tool developed by the BDR directly into the input data of their own calculator (paid access – DK platform license). Collection is possible via a dedicated API.</p> <p>b. Negotiate for an access to a part of data from average media owning the BDR. Some data, such as values of terminal, server and digital network impacts are available free of charge, which will allow to rebuild the calculation mechanics based on a freely accessible methodology (see above for the link to the BDR framework).</p> <p><i>Case a. involves using a gross carbon result, with no granularity. The data collection via an API could allow a more efficient automatic processing in the case of interconnected tools (to be implemented).</i></p> <p><i>Case b. requires some background work to rebuild used data, in order to make the calculator compatible with the framework.</i></p>		<p>Request to radio media accessing the common BDR tool (DK platform) or their own tool.</p> <p><i>Option 3 remains the most precise and up-to-date option (media specific models are considered), but it will require a separate processing for each media – which is inefficient for advertisers. The brand will be able to select some media accounting for the largest portion of broadcast volumes for the campaign. The advantage will be the possibility to have media channel-specific data with a higher granularity (e.g. average rate, etc.).</i></p>
Emission or allocation factors to be used	<p>In case a., factors and models are managed directly by the third-party tool (no access to the emission factors in the BDR database).</p> <p>In case b., factors and models have to be rebuilt with freely available data and BDR averages, for which access must be requested.</p>		<p>Factors and models are managed directly by the third-party tool (results of the common BDR tool; no access to emission factors in the BDR database).</p>
Input data to be integrated	<p>Per format of spot broadcasted during the campaign Allocation mode (over-the-counter or programmatic) Weight of the advertising content (KB) Total audience of the spot Advertising content length (in s.)</p> <p>Note: Country of broadcast is not requested. For the time being, the radio calculator has been developed for France. An adaptation is under development for other countries, but it requires confirming the breakdown of broadcast networks.</p>		
Who does organize the input data collection?	Brand	Partner	Media concerned

<p>Where are the main input data collected?</p>	<p>Request must be made to the BDR, the media or the DK partner if the advertiser or its partner wishes to integrate the tool results directly.</p>
<p>Output indicators to be monitored by the brand</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total impact of radio broadcasting (kgCO₂eradio) • Breakdown of impact by digital third-party (kgCO₂e) • Breakdown of impact by lifecycle phases (manufacturing and end of life of servers, networks and terminals, use of servers, networks, and terminals) of radio broadcast (kgCO₂eradio) • Radio broadcast impact per contact reached by the campaign (gCO₂eradio/1000contacts) – For radio campaigns, contacts are defined by the 13+ audience of the spot. • Impact of radio broadcast per € spent on this broadcast (kgCO₂eradio/€) • Impact of radio broadcast per second of broadcast content (tCO₂eradio/s)

APPLICATION EXAMPLE

Brand X carries out a multimedia advertising campaign entitled XX. It has been broadcasted on different radios (NRJ, Sky Rock, Radio Nova, France Inter, etc.) for one year.

The advertisement length is 5 seconds (audio provided in the required format by radios). The communication team wishes to calculate the carbon footprint of the radio/audio broadcast of this campaign. The Oneframe methodology thus suggests to turn to the

BDR framework. As it is not possible to have direct access to this framework, radio media will have to be requested. Moreover, since a media agency Y has been commissioned for this campaign, this agency holds most of the information defining this campaign: broadcast country, audience, broadcasting radio, etc.

Practical application of the carbon footprint calculation for radio broadcasting

Use of tools developed by each channel (option 3)

<p>Input data to be integrated</p>	<p>Since most of the input data (audience, broadcast duration, etc.) are integrated in the media and/or agency calculation tool to which the brand refers, the input data to be collected is only the CO₂e impact of radio broadcast. This information is sent directly by its interlocutor (the media concerned). If the assessed campaign is a multimedia campaign, the brand will consolidate this impact with the impacts of other media.</p> <p>To determine the follow-up indicators, the data below have to be collected from the media:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Impact measurement provided by the media, detailed by country, by digital third-party, by broadcasting mode ● Audience by country for the campaign (possibly by radio) ● CO₂e impact for 1000 contacts (possibly by radio)
<p>Emission or allocation factors to be used</p>	<p>Modeling and allocations are implemented directly in the indicated common calculator.</p>
<p>Who does organize the data collection?</p>	<p>The brand has appointed someone in charge of the data collection. This person must call upon media directly or through other agencies.</p> <p>Note: Although it is preferred by the BDR and its members, this option requires to send the request to the media concerned, or to use the API of a proprietary tool.</p>
<p>Where are the main input data collected?</p>	<p>Data are collected directly by the media, which transmit the carbon impact calculation directly to the brand through the potentially requested agencies. If tool can communicate directly (API), this is done automatically.</p>
<p>Output indicators to be monitored and findings.</p>	<p>Indicators to be monitored:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total impact of radio broadcasting (kgCO₂e_{radio}) ● If provided (ideal): Distribution of the radio broadcasting impact per digital third-party (kgCO₂e_{radio}) ● If provided (ideal): Breakdown of impact by lifecycle phases (manufacturing and end of life of servers, networks and terminals, use of servers, networks, and terminals) of radio broadcasting (kgCO₂e_{radio}) ● If provided (ideal): Radio broadcast impact per contact reached by the campaign (gCO₂e_{radio}/1000contacts) – ● Impact of radio broadcast per € spent on this broadcast (kgCO₂e_{radio}/€) ● Impact of radio broadcast per second of broadcast content (tCO₂e_{radio}/s) <p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There is a lack of data on radio broadcast specific networks and on radio terminals (car radios are excluded). ● However, it is possible to draw the first conclusions: To reduce the direct impact, it is considered to prefer shorter formats, and to target less impacting networks and terminals.

6 / Outdoor Advertising (OOH & DOOH)

Outdoor advertising refers to campaigns on billboards (out-of-home, OOH) or screens (digital-out-of-home, DOOH).

In outdoor advertising (OOH), contents are photos or images printed on tarpaulins or posters, that have different distribution modes (glued poster, dedicated street furniture, vehicles, etc.). The advertising content is printed on a medium (poster) that is then transported where it must be displayed, collected and, in most cases, recycled. This furniture, which is sometimes dedicated to advertising, has its own lifecycle (manufacturing, transport and installation, maintenance, end of life), and its operation may also need energy (light, rotation, etc.).

In digital outdoor advertising (DOOH), content can be videos or fixed images broadcasted on dedicated indoor and outdoor screens.

Impacts to be measured:

- OOH – Lifecycle of posters and of their distribution media
- DOOH – Lifecycle of advertising billboards



Framework studied for this media:

AdOOHc calculator, factors updated in June 2022

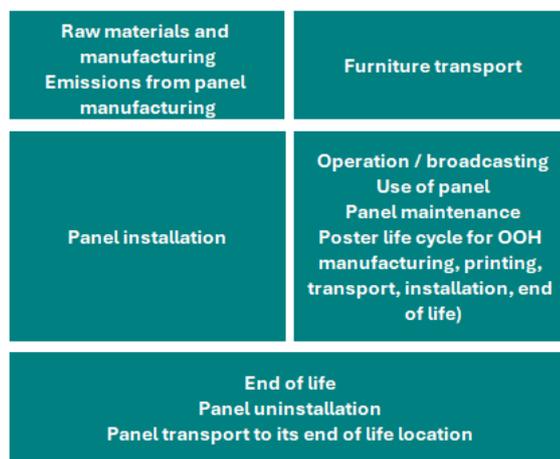
Characteristics of the framework:

- This framework was co-developed with the four main French players in outdoor advertising, supported by the Axionable firm and led by the Union de la Publicité Extérieure (UPE). Emission factors and models integrated in the calculator have been created based on ACVs of the four main French players in outdoor advertising, in compliance with the ISO 14040 standard.
- The framework includes a methodological note detailing the scope considered, processed formats and methodological choices, as well as a calculator for measuring the GHG emissions of OOH and DOOH campaigns.
- The [calculator is available in open-source](#). It is fed and updated on a regular basis, according to the latest impact data of the portfolio of billboards and formats available to UPE members.

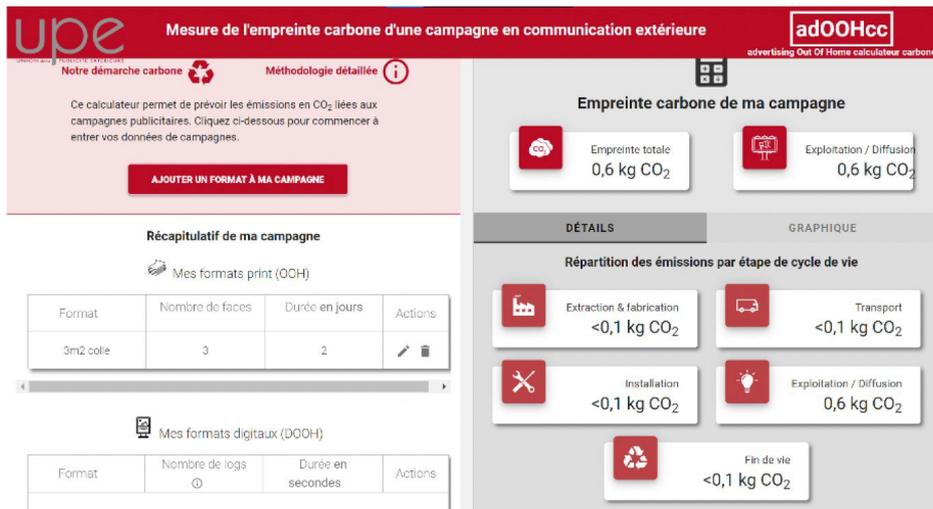
Scope covered by the framework :

- This framework covers 14 OOH advertising formats in different sizes: dedicated furniture with or without light, scrolling or not, glued, on a bus, on a fixed column, as well as two medium-sized digital formats (DOOH): indoor and outdoor.
- It takes into account the entire lifecycle of billboards (DOOH) and posters (OOH), from the extraction of raw materials to the end of life.

It does not take into account the creation of content displayed on billboards.



	Option 1 Creation of an ad hoc tool by the brand	Option 2 Use of a partner tool	Option 3 Use of tools developed by each channel
Choosing the calculation tool	Ask the UPE for an access to the API of the adOOHcc tool. Develop the calculator in-house, based on the average factors from the models of the tool.	Partner tool (to be defined) (e.g. tool developed by the advertiser's agency), with compatibility of scope, modeling, input data to be validated (or which uses directly the dedicated API).	AdOOHcc (UPE's tool) can be used directly by the brand
Emission or allocation factors to be used	Average factors from UPE's adOOHcc tool	Partner tool factors and models (UPE compatibility to be validated)	Average factors from UPE's adOOHcc tool
Input data to be integrated	Display type: OOH or DOOH display OOH: Poster format, number of sides, campaign duration DOOH: Screen type (indoor or outdoor), number of logs (number of displays), spot length		
Who does organize the data collection?	Brand	Partner	Brand
Where are the main input data collected?	Main input data are present in campaign reports.		
Output indicators to be monitored by the brand	Total impact of outdoor broadcasting (kgCO₂ext) Breakdown of impact by lifecycle phases of billboards and posters (manufacturing, transport, installation, operation/distribution, end of life) for outdoor distribution (kgCO₂ext) Outdoor distribution impact per contact reached by the campaign. (gCO ₂ eOOH-DOOH/1000contacts) – for OOH and DOOH, contacts are estimated based on prints/logs. Impact of outdoor distribution per € spent on this distribution (kgCO₂ext/€) Outdoor distribution impact for the entire duration of the distribution (kgCO₂ext/s or days for DOOH or OOH)		



Screenshot from UPE's adOOHcc tool

APPLICATION EXAMPLE

Brand X carries out a multimedia advertising campaign entitled XX. A 12-month campaign is rolled-out in Belgium (DOOH).

The advertisement is displayed in a digital format (2 m²) – animated film of 10 seconds on 200 screens of approximately 100". The communication team wishes to calculate the

carbon footprint of the DOOH distribution of this campaign, and chooses to use UPE's calculator. The brand can access directly to this tool.

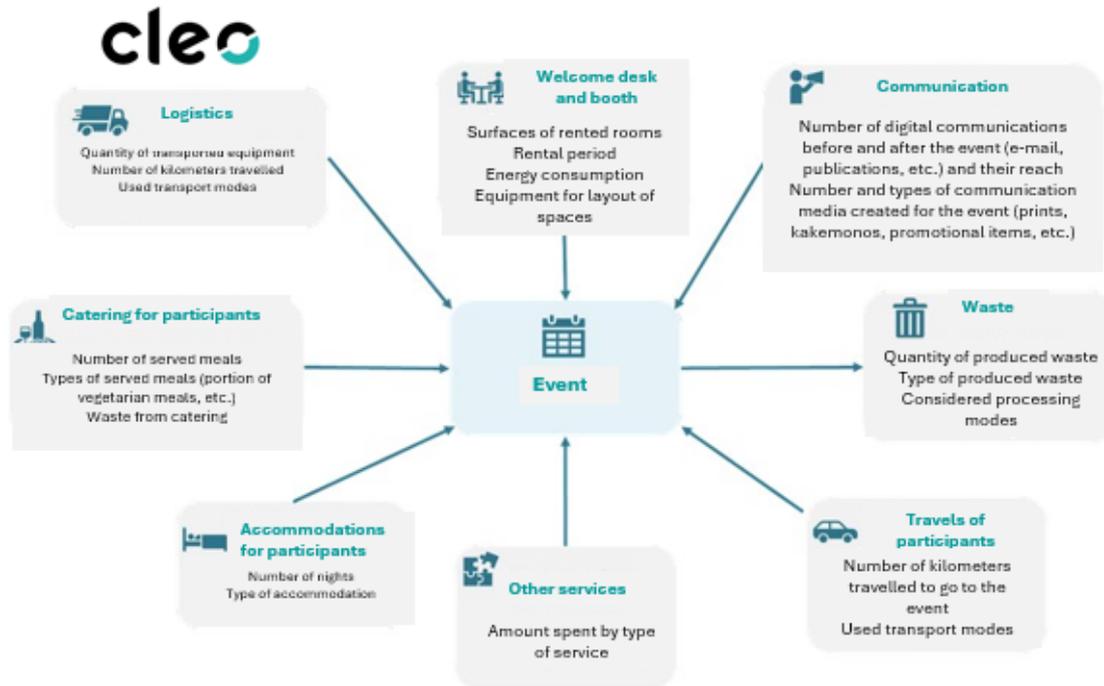
Moreover, the media agency Y, which has been commissioned for this campaign, holds most of the information necessary for a proper calculation of the impacts.

Practical application of the carbon footprint calculation for OOH & DOOH distribution Use of tools developed by each channel (option 3)

<p>Input data to be integrated</p>	<p>Data requested by the UPE calculator</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Format Type d'écran Nombre de logs ⓘ 0 Durée du spot en secondes 0 <p>ANNULER AJOUTER</p>	<p>Value examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Display type: any weighted outdoor DOOH format • Number of logs: 400 000 logs over one year • Spot length: 10 s.
<p>Emission or allocation factors to be used</p>	<p>Models and allocations are implemented directly in the UPE calculator. However, the aggregated modeling on all formats brings just a little granularity in the analysis.</p>	

<p>Who does organize the input data collection?</p>	<p>The brand has appointed someone in charge of the data collection. This person collected the data from the campaign manager in the agency and entered them in the UPE calculator.</p>
<p>Where are the main input data collected?</p>	<p>The required data (logs, spot length) are found in the default campaign reports that are transmitted by the agency.</p>
<p>Output indicators to be monitored and findings.</p>	<p>Indicators to be monitored:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total impact of outdoor broadcasting (kgCO₂ext) • Breakdown of impact per lifecycle phases of billboards and posters (manufacturing, transport, installation, operation/distribution, end of life) of outdoor distribution (kgCO₂ext) • If provided (ideal): Impact of outdoor distribution per contact reached by the campaign (gCO₂eOOH-DOOH/1000contacts) – for OOH and DOOH, contacts are assessed based on number of prints/logs. • Impact of outdoor distribution for the entire distribution duration (kgCO₂eext/s or day for DOOH or OOH) • Impact of outdoor distribution per € spent on this distribution (kgCO₂eext/€) <p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impacts are mainly proportional to the number of logs. It is important to obtain from the media more details about the optimization levers: a priori billboard type, spot length, etc.

7 / Trade Fairs, Events, and Roadshows



Framework studied for this media:

CLEO Carbone methodology (November 2023 version)

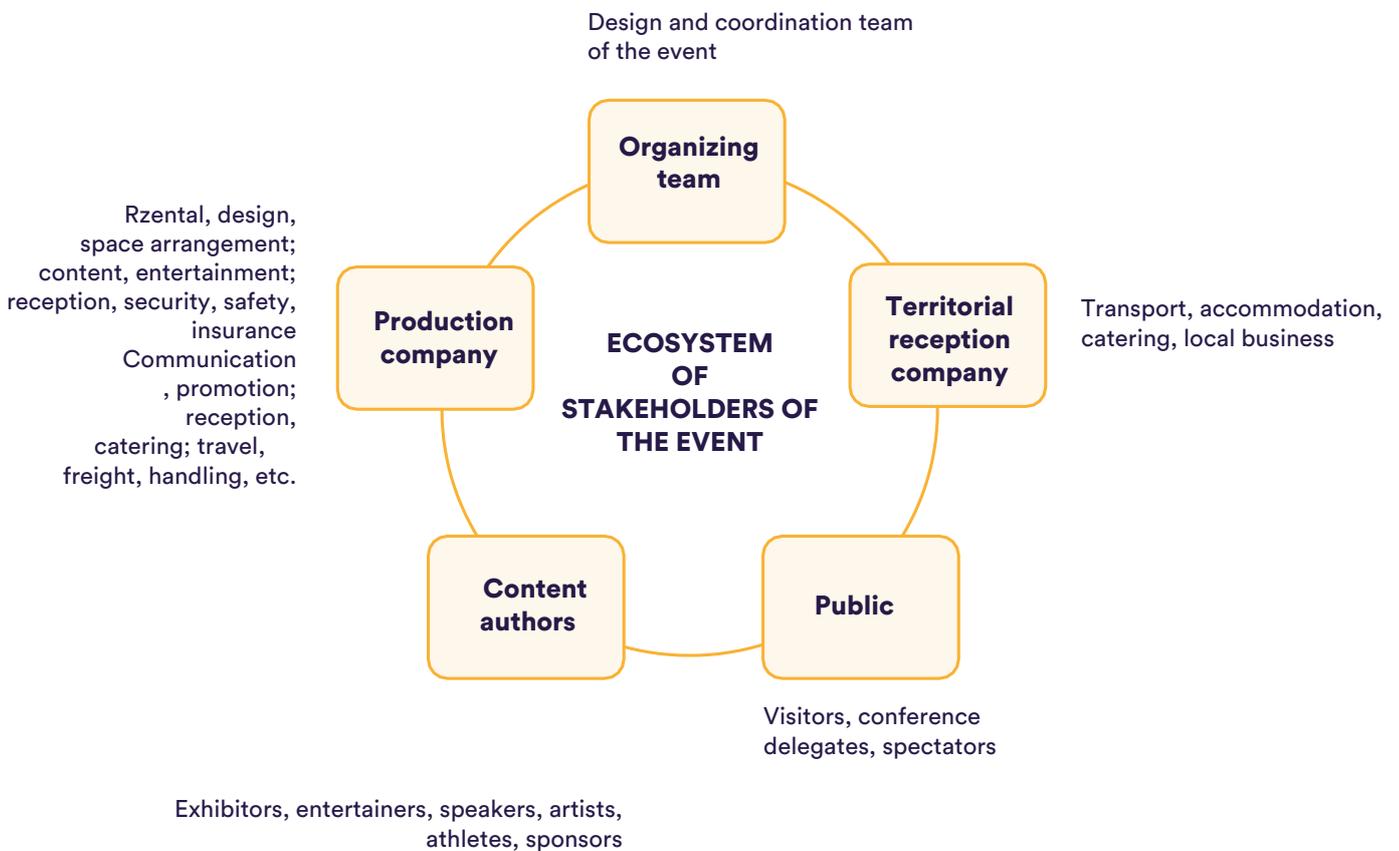


Characteristics of the framework

- This framework was co-developed with the involvement of a scientific committee comprising partners and institutional stakeholders, professionals in the event industry, and sectoral stakeholders as well as third-party developers who are experts in carbon calculation, led by the Union Française des Métiers de l'Évènement (UNIMEV) and the Comité Régional du Tourisme Paris Région. It offers templates for five typologies of event professions, as well as one template for corporate carbon balance. These templates define the main impacting items of the activity. They remain flexible, in order to ensure that the calculation is as close as possible to the real situation: for example, it is possible to add an impact that is not mentioned in the template, by selecting an emission factor in one of the numerous available certified databases.
- The framework relies on the Bilan Carbone and GHG Protocol methodologies as well as on the ISO 14061 standard and certified databases such as DEFRA, base ADEME, Agribalyse, Exiobase, etc.

Scope covered by the framework:

- Type of professions covered: event organizers, site managers, booth designers, caterers, multi-technical providers.
- Type of events covered: fairs and exhibitions, congresses, seminars, sporting events, artistic exhibitions and shows, conferences, forums, etc.
- Scope covered :
 - Travel of participants
 - Accommodation of participants
 - Space arrangement
 - Intangible services
 - Water
 - Other items
 - Freight transport
 - Catering for participants
 - Communication
 - Energy
 - Waste



The Événement association currently develops an event framework that will be available in 2024 and integrated in the next version of the guide.

	Option 1 Creation of an ad hoc tool by the brand	Option 2 Use of a partner tool	Option 3 Use of tools developed by each channel
Choice of the calculation tool	<p>Since used databases are only partially available in open-source, brands, agencies, or other players wishing to develop their own multichannel tool will have to:</p> <p>a. Integrate results of the common tool developed by Cleo Carbone directly into the input data of their own calculator (paid access – Kabaun platform),</p> <p>b. Negotiate in order to check the compatibility of their modeling with the CLEO Carbon calculator. Some data, such as values of terminal, server and digital network impacts are available free of charge, which will allow to rebuild the calculation mechanics based on a freely accessible methodology (publication pending).</p> <p><i>Case a. involves using a gross carbon result, with no granularity, in its own calculator.</i></p> <p><i>Case b. requires some background work to rebuild used data, in order to make the calculator compatible with the framework.</i></p>		CLEO Carbone tool of the UNIMEV (paid access - Kabaun platform)
Emission or allocation factors to be used	Average factors and specific models for each event, from the UNIMEV's CLEO Carbone tool.	Factors and modeling of the partner tool	Factors and modeling of the CLEO Carbone tool
Input data to be integrated	<p>General information about the event: Dates, duration, country, number of participants, budget</p> <p>Travels: Number of visitors and staff, place of origin, mode of transport</p> <p>Locations: Energy consumptions, furniture and materials used for booths, waste production</p> <p>Logistics: Distance and quantities of transported material and consumables</p> <p>Catering: Meals served, and waste produced</p> <p>Accommodation: Number of nights accounted for</p> <p>Communication: Data related to digital, print, TV campaigns, etc. and dedicated to the event, production of goodies and consumables</p> <p>Other services: Amounts spent</p>		
Who does organize the data collection?	Advertiser	Partner	Media concerned

<p>Where are the main input data collected?</p>	<p>Physical information is available as direct monitoring during the event or from providers and suppliers (reception room, caterer, transport service provider, etc.). Information, in particular monetary one, is available in various quotes established for the event</p>
<p>Output indicators to be monitored by the brand</p>	<p>Total impact of the event (kgCO₂e/event) Breakdown of event impact by emission type (travels of visitors and staff, communication, furniture, energy, waste, catering, logistics, other services) (kgCO₂e/event) Event impact by contact reached (gCO₂e/event/1000contacts) – <i>In the framework, contacts are all visitors if the brand is the event organizer, or the portion of visitors met during the event if the brand is only a participant</i> Event impact by € spent (kgCO₂e/event/€) Event impact for its entire duration (kgCO₂e/event/days)</p>

APPLICATION EXAMPLE

Brand X organizes an event in France. This event takes place on site that is already set in the tool. Hundreds of visitors are expected.

The communication team wishes to calculate the carbon footprint of the brand participation to this event. The Oneframe methodology thus suggests using the CLEO Carbone calculator.

Moreover, the media agency Y, which has been commissioned for this campaign, holds most of the information necessary for a proper calculation of the impacts. Since the calculator can be accessed on demand, the brand will have to ask for it to the UNIMEV (or ensure the agency already has access to it).

Practical application of the carbon footprint calculation for an event

Use of tools developed by each channel (option 3)

Input data to be integrated	<p>Data to be collected are:</p> <p>Travels of employees and staff, and visitors to go to the event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Number of employees going to the event <p>Logistics for the event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Number of persons in the staff (entertainers) working on the event organization of the event ● Number of visitors ● Event reach (local, international) ● Distance traveled by employees ● Distance traveled by the staff ● Portion of visitors coming from the town of event ● Portion of visitors coming from the country of event advertising, etc.) ● Portion of visitors coming from the continent of ● Portion of visitors coming from the rest of the world <p>Event place/booth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Surfaces dedicated to the event ● Event opening hours ● Amounts spent on rented material/bought/constructed for the event (furniture, machine, computing/technical equipment, etc.) ● Portion of reused furniture and equipment after the event ● Energy consumed for heating / kakemono, etc. products ● Energy efficiency of the rented site <p>Catering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Amount spent for cleaning, accommodation, caterer/food purchase <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Number of meals served ● Portion of vegetarian meals ● Portion of used dishware ● Amount spent for transport (logistics upstream and downstream) for the ● Number of travels for national, the event (upstream and downstream) ● Mode of transport <p>Communication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Amount spent on communication on the digital media ● Amount spent on communication on the physical media (goodies, POS ● Number of prints for event campaigns display ● Number of prints for worldwide video ● Number of other digital communications (e.g. emails, etc.) ● Number of visits on the Internet site and other digital media (e.g. app) products for the event ● Number of promotional materials published papers ● Number of typical promotional objects product goodies ● Number of POS type temporary material/ ● Portion of reuse of these supports <p>Other services for the event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Other amounts spent on services for the event (e.g. insurance, security, etc.)
Emission or allocation factors to be used	Emission factors are implemented directly in the CLEO calculator. The impact of visitor travels is distributed proportionally to the brand participation
Who does organize the data collection?	The brand has appointed someone in charge of the data collection. This person collected the data from the event manager in the agency and entered them in the calculator.
Where are the main input data collected?	Data related to the booth and catering may be included in datasheets/quotes. Data related to travels of the staff and employees must be monitored. Data related to the fair (participation, etc.) may appear on the event website, in particular if an extra-financial balance is made, and they must be requested to the organization. Data related to communication appear on reports generated by the agency for the event.

Output indicators to be monitored and findings

Indicators to be monitored:

- **Total impact of the event (kgCO₂event)**
- Breakdown of event impact by emission type (travels of visitors and staff, communication, furniture, energy, waste, catering, logistics, other services) (**kgCO₂event**)
- **Event impact by contact reached (gCO₂event/1000contacts)** – *In the framework, contacts are all visitors if the brand is the event organizer, or the portion of or the portion of visitors met during the event if the brand is only a participant.*
- **Event impact by € spent (kgCO₂event/€)**
- **Event impact for its entire duration (kgCO₂event/days)**

Findings:

- Travel of visitors is the major source of carbon impact. To reduce and manage this impact, local events as well as organizations facilitating the use of less-carbon-emitting modes (encouraging public transport services, measuring precisely the place of origin of visitors).
- Other points to work on: encouraging vegetarian food, using second-hand material/equipment for booths, preferring carrier with a low-carbon policy, optimizing brand employee travels, etc.



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