



THE EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF  
LOCKS AND BUILDING HARDWARE  
MANUFACTURERS

To our EPD license holders

### **Current reissue of ARGE industry-wide Environmental Product Declarations (EPD)**

*ARGE – The European Federation of Locks and Building Hardware Manufacturers* is the owner of industry-wide EPD for 14 product lines within the product category of building hardware. These EPD are currently reissued according to the standard *EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 (Sustainability of construction works – Environmental product declarations – Core rules for the product category of construction products)* and are expected – after third-party verification and certification – to be published by ARGE's programme operator, *Institut Bauen und Umwelt e.V. (IBU)*, in June 2023. ARGE has licenced these industry-wide EPD to companies within ARGE for their own use.

It is herewith confirmed that *ECO Schulte GmbH & Co. KG*, has various valid licenses (door and window handles, door closers, locks, panic exit devices, single axis hinges, window fittings) for using the ARGE EPD and will be able to provide the reissued ARGE EPD as a licensee in July 2023.

The reissued EPD will not only be established under the latest version of EN 15804, but will also be fully compliant with the standard *EN 17610:2022 (Building hardware - Environmental product declarations - Product category rules complementary to EN 15804 for building hardware)* which was published by CEN on 17 August 2022.

In addition to the availability of the reissued ARGE EPD as pdf and as hardcopy, the ARGE EPD will also be available on IBU's website for download as xml files. Furthermore, the reissued ARGE EPD will be endorsed by *ECO Platform*, the European umbrella organisation for EPD programme operators.

Together with its members, ARGE strives to support the companies within ARGE in their endeavours to further develop the sustainability of building hardware.

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