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ESR has published the ESR WEEE LCI Database to provide new opportunities to the producers of Electrical and Electronic Equipment to integrate resource efficiency in their eco-design strategies. The ESR WEEE LCI Database is composed of Life Cycle Inventories regarding end-of-life management of electrical and electronic equipment, hereafter named data sets.

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I. Definitions

GTU: the general terms governing the terms of access to and use of the ESR WEEE LCI Database

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Data set: refers to a Life Cycle Inventory (LCI) containing an input/output table of elementary flows, metadata and links to external files and documents.

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- To modify metadata resulting in a documentation that provides the same degree of quality, completeness and transparency of information;
- To modify Input/Output table resulting in a list of elementary flows and their corresponding quantities that does not affect significantly the LCI assessment and the results of impacts calculation.

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- To delete the access to external files and documents (especially the Modelling Principles Report)
- To modify external files and documents linked to the data sets
- To modify the Input/Output table resulting in a list of elementary flows and their corresponding quantities that affects significantly the LCI assessment and the results of impacts calculation

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