

LIGHT MATERIALS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES

LEVIS Project & strategy on LCA



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Advanced Light materials for sustainable Electrical Vehicles by Integration of eco-design and circular economy Strategies



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LEVIS HORIZON2020



- Grant agreement ID: 101006888
- Topic: LC-GV-06-2020 Advanced light materials and their production processes for automotive applications
- **Timing:** 02/2021-01/2024 (36 months)
- **EU contribution:** € 4 990 113,63
- Coordinator: ITAINNOVA



LEVIS Consortium & Demonstrators





Integration & Replication

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Exploitation & Stakeholder Engagement





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OBJECTIVES



LEVIS will develop, verify & demonstrate lightweight components in EVs by adopting an eco & circular design concept from the design phase to the end-of-life stage.

1. Advanced lightweight and sustainable materials.

25% reduced Global Warming Potential at component level, 7% at vehicle level. Replication potential leading to a reduced overall structural weight reduction of 25%[^].

2. Cost-effective production and assembly processes capable to produce multi-material solutions in an efficient way.

Comparable in terms of cost efficiency to any current available solutions.

- 3. Advanced simulation methodologies-workflows for improved structural integrity/life predictions and highly optimized designs,
- 4. Novel sensorisation and monitorisation technologies for superior functionalities, and
- 5. Suitable end-of-life approaches for the materials and processes considered.



LEVIS strategy on LCA ECO-DESIGN LIFE CYCLE ANALYSIS



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LEVIS INTRODUCTION AND INTEGRATION OF ECO-DESIGN



LEVIS developed an Eco-Design toolkit: iEDGE (integrated Eco-Design guidelines and evaluation)

- **Goal**: To integrate life cycle thinking and related circular economy principles into the design process.
- When: The early stages of the decision-making process for product designs.
- **How**: Focus on considering the four main focus areas:
 - Environmental
 - Economic
 - Technical
 - Social
- **Output**: Documentation and justification for a set of chosen design improvement options.





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RESULTS OF IEDGE TOOLKIT



- Identified feasible improvement options based on the highest priority KPIs
- Better understanding of the balance between all the life cycle categories as well as the four focus areas: environmental, economic, technical, and social
- Partners' feedback proved key in making the tool easier to use and reducing investment time to learn the tool
- All partners expressed their interest in using the tool for future applications!

Identified challenges & lessons:

- Toolkit has a learning curve. First time use needs support and additional time.
- Partners were reasonably new with these eco-design tools and concepts, resulting in the need for examples, explanations and feedback throughout the use of iEDGE.
- Throughout the project, additional follow-up moments will be held to see longer term effects of the iEDGE toolkit





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Life Cycle Assessment: Compare the environmental performance of the LEVIS design and technologies vs. current common practises as baseline.

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Replication opportunities within the scope of the BiW based on the requirements of the components vs. the charasteristics of the LEVIS technologies



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Studying the impact of LEVIS technologies on EV motor efficiency





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Design the **process flow diagrams** for LCC in GaBi in a similar method as done for LCA



Acquire **data** from partners concerning

- Flow costs
- Machine costs
- Personnel costs



Demonstrate **techno**economic feasibility of demonstrators over the whole product value chain







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