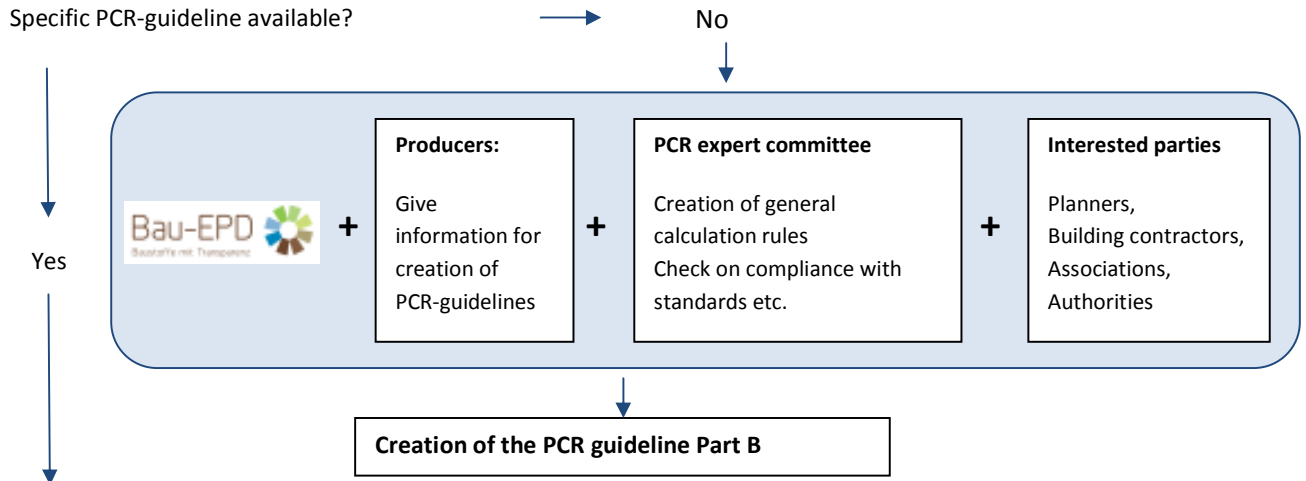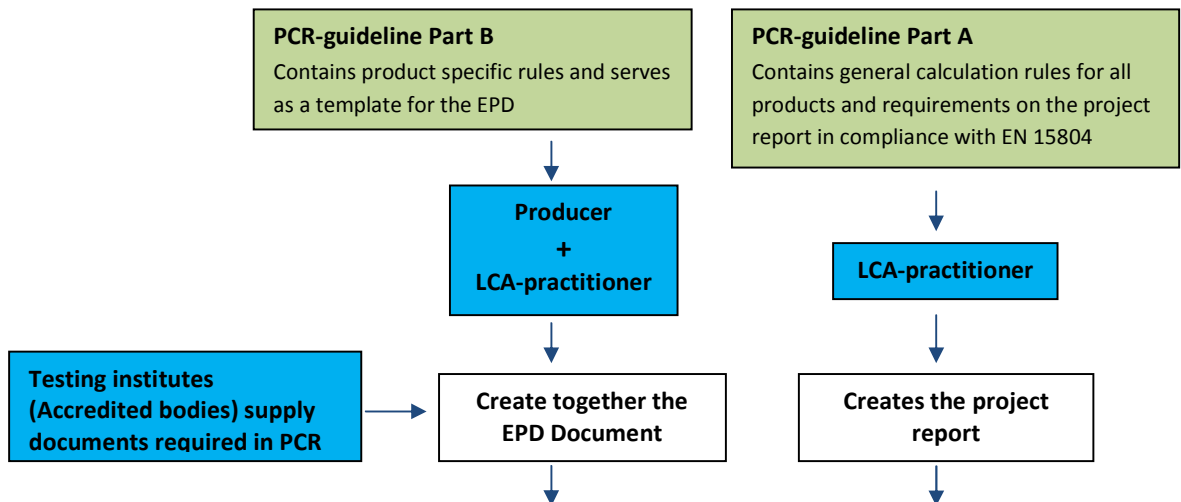# The path to an EPD as a process operation:

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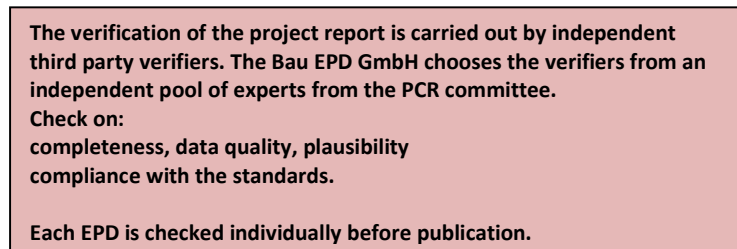
Step 2: Creation of a PCR-guideline (Product Category Rules)

Specific PCR-guideline available? ⟶ No

Yes

| Bau-EPD | + | **Producers:**

Give information for creation of PCR-guidelines | + | **PCR expert committee**

Creation of general calculation rules
Check on compliance with standards etc. | + | **Interested parties**

Planners,
Building contractors,
Associations,
Authorities |

Creation of the PCR guideline Part B

Step 3: Creation of EPD and project report

| **PCR-guideline Part B**
Contains product specific rules and serves as a template for the EPD | **PCR-guideline Part A**
Contains general calculation rules for all products and requirements on the project report in compliance with EN 15804 |

**Producer
+
LCA-practitioner**

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Testing institutes (Accredited bodies) supply documents required in PCR ⟶ **Create together the EPD Document**

Creates the project report

Step 4: Third party verification

The verification of the project report is carried out by independent third party verifiers. The Bau EPD GmbH chooses the verifiers from an independent pool of experts from the PCR committee.
Check on:
completeness, data quality, plausibility
compliance with the standards.

Each EPD is checked individually before publication.

Step 5: Publication