



Waste management

Life Cycle Thinking is getting increasing attention in the area of waste management. This is for example evidenced by the suggested thematic strategy on waste by the European Commission where LCA and Life Cycle Thinking get prominent positions. The benefit of using LCA in analyzing waste management systems is that it provides a comprehensive view of the processes and impacts involved. However, it is also clear that the studies will always be open for criticism as they are simplifications of reality. In this session we especially welcome papers presenting experiences from using LCA and life cycle thinking in policy processes in waste management including recycling. Examples of questions that are of interest to address are: What kind of information can different tools provide decision-makers? What are reasonable expectations of LCA and life-cycle thinking in policy processes?

Instructions for submission of papers will be made available in July 2006 on www.lcm2007.org. Further information regarding the session is available from:

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