

SimaPro License Descriptions

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Business packages

The SimaPro Business license packages that can be purchased are Power user, Expert user and Business user. The user possibilities per type of license are:

Power user

The SimaPro Power user package, comprises the most comprehensive SimaPro Developer version for SimaPro desktop and SimaPro SaaS solution, designed for expert LCA practitioners and researchers. The Power user package enables the user to model from a life cycle perspective with uncertainty calculation, process and project parameters, insight in unit processes, allocation of multiple output processes, weak-point analysis and complex waste treatment. The Power user package enables the user to build complex, transparent models. It also includes advanced features for data-entry automation and integration.. It is also a prerequisite for the use of SimaPro API.

The SimaPro Power user is an expert user who is typically an LCA expert who is familiar with working with system modelling and more advanced methodological choices, and may be sharing their models with other expert users or business users.

Expert user

The SimaPro Expert user package includes the SimaPro Analyst version for SimaPro desktop and SimaPro SaaS solution, is designed for the LCA expert who needs powerful modeling and assessment features. The Expert user package enables this expert to model from a life cycle perspective with uncertainty calculation, process and project parameters, insight in unit processes, allocation of multiple output processes, weak-point analysis and complex waste treatment.

Like Power users, Expert users can create an unlimited number of models with the software and share them with other Expert users as well as Business users.

The SimaPro Expert user is an expert user who is typically an LCA expert who is familiar with working with system modelling and more advanced methodological choices, and may be sharing their models with other expert users or business users.

Business user

The SimaPro Business user package is designed to enable the user to easily view the environmental impact of an organisations products, services, or organization, and to compare scenarios. It combines interactive and intuitive web-based tools - based off a pre-built life cycle assessment (LCA) model or a specific model, set up by an LCA practitioner. The Business user does not need to have expert LCA knowledge to be able to benefit from insightful LCA results.

Based on predefined models¹ created by Power users or Expert users, Business users are working with interactive studies, reports or similar works containing calculated data. It allows them interact dynamically with the data such as, switching between a few specific input materials to compare options, providing quantities for input, toggling between a defined set of allocation choices, and switching views between different LCIA methods, e.g. Carbon Footprint and Resource Use.

Compared to Power users or Expert users, Business users have no direct access to licensed data and cannot make any changes to existing data models, such as define product systems, create completely different scenarios introducing new hotspots and alternatives. Business users can only generate and share static reports, within the permissions stipulated in SimaPro SaaS Terms of Use.

Educational packages

The SimaPro Educational packages that can be purchased are PhD, Classroom and Faculty license packages.

SimaPro PhD

The SimaPro PhD package includes the SimaPro PhD version for SimaPro desktop and SimaPro SaaS solution, available for educational institutes for use of educational purposes only. It is designed for researcher who needs powerful modeling and assessment features to do their research. SimaPro PhD enables this researcher to model from a life cycle perspective with uncertainty calculation, process and project parameters, insight in unit processes, allocation of multiple output processes, weak-point analysis and complex waste treatment.

The SimaPro PhD user is a researcher who is typically an LCA expert who is familiar with working with system modelling and more advanced methodological choices, and may be sharing their models with other expert users or business users.

¹ The number of data sets that can be used in a model that is the foundation for Business users is 15 feed and 75 overall data sets for Agri-footprint.

SimaPro Classroom

The SimaPro Classroom license is a basic version of SimaPro for teachers and students, available for educational institutes for use of educational purposes only. It is a multi-user version which allows students to work in the same database simultaneously and cooperate within the same project or in their own projects. The SimaPro Classroom license enables students and teachers to model from a life cycle perspective with quick results to produce reliable results with limited efforts.

SimaPro Faculty

The SimaPro Faculty license is a basic version of SimaPro for education purposes, available for academic institutes for use of educational purposes only. It is a single user version that can be installed on multiple PCs for students and educational staff. SimaPro Faculty has the functionality to create basic LCA models.