

Press release

DEKRA certifies companies to SURE standard

Independent Verification for Sustainable Energy and Heat

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DEKRA now audits and certifies sustainable biomass based on the SURE system. Economic actors can thus provide objective evidence that they fulfill the legal requirements for the sustainable generation of energy or heating and cooling.

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The purpose of the Renewable Energy Directive (2018/2001/EC – RED II) is to promote and accelerate the use of energy from renewable sources. It also applies to economic actors who are involved in the supply chain and the production of liquid biofuels, biomethane, or waste wood which are used for generating energy or heating/cooling.

Voluntary certification to the SURE system enables these companies to prove that they meet the relevant sustainability criteria according to a neutral third party. SURE stands for Sustainable Resources Verification Scheme and was developed specifically for verifying the sustainability credentials of the production and use of forestry-derived biomass, agricultural raw materials, and waste and residual materials from biomass which are subsequently used to generate energy and heating/cooling. The SURE certification system has been recognized by the EU Commission.

The audit is performed on site by DEKRA experts, who assess whether a company's processes comply with the requirements of the SURE certification system. Once the audit documents have been reviewed and deemed to fulfill all the requirements, the companies receive an independent certificate and the DEKRA certification stamp. They can then use this to reliably prove to third parties that they meet all of the RED II sustainability criteria.

www.dekra.de/de/sure-zertifizierung/

About DEKRA

DEKRA has been active in the field of safety for almost 100 years. Founded in 1925 in Berlin as Deutscher Kraftfahrzeug-Überwachungs-Verein e.V., it is today one of the world's leading expert organizations. DEKRA SE is a subsidiary of DEKRA e.V. and manages the Group's operating business. In 2022, DEKRA generated preliminary sales totaling almost EUR 3.7 billion. The company currently employs over 48,000 people (as of 30.09.2022) in approximately 60 countries on all continents. With qualified and

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independent expert services, they work for safety on the road, at work and at home. These services range from vehicle inspection and expert appraisals to claims services, industrial and building inspections, safety consultancy, testing and certification of products and systems, as well as training courses and temporary work. The vision for the company's 100th birthday in 2025 is that DEKRA will be the global partner for a safe, secure, and sustainable world. With a platinum rating from EcoVadis, DEKRA is now in the top one percent of sustainable businesses ranked.