



Press Release

ESRG STUDY “CARBON FOOTPRINTS OF RECYCLED SOLVENTS”

The European Solvent Recycler Group in cooperation with ETHOS Research (UK) has released a study “CARBON FOOTPRINTS OF RECYCLED SOLVENTS” which focuses on waste organic solvents and compares the environmental impacts of recycled and virgin materials. Using life cycle assessment (LCA) as a tool, the paper demonstrates that solvent recycling leads to significant environmental benefits compared with using virgin solvents, including a much lower carbon footprint. The LCA results show that, depending on the solvent the carbon footprint of recycled substances is 46-92% lower than that for the respective virgin material. The full report can be downloaded from www.esrg-online.eu

The study will be presented on the Exhibition Floor at the 2014 **Chemspec Europe** event in Budapest at a two day international RSC Symposium (UK Royal Society of Chemistry) 18.-19. June organised in association with Chemistry Innovation and the Green Chemistry Network. (www.chemspecevents.com/europe)

The ESRG was founded in 2004 under the aegis of the German Association for Chemical Distributors (VCH) joining professional members engaged in a wide range of solvent recovery activities. The group’s aim is to promote the safe and economic management of post-use solvents. More information at www.esrg-online.eu.

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