

Preface

We would like to present, with great pleasure, the second issues from volume one of Indonesian Journal of Life Cycle Assessment and Sustainability (IJoLCAS). This journal is published by Indonesian Life Cycle Assessment Network, and is devoted entirely to life cycle assessment and closely related methods to assess sustainability.

This journal was envisioned and founded to represent the growing needs of instrument to assess the ecological burdens and impacts throughout the consecutive and interlinked stages of a product system, from raw material acquisition or generation from natural resources, through production and use to final disposal. Its vision is to become a forum for life cycle assessment and sustainability research addressing the views all of researchers and practitioners in life cycle assessment and sustainability field, especially in Indonesia and Asian region.

IJoLCAS focuses on original high-quality research in the environmental impacts of goods and services. The Journal is intended as a forum for practitioners and researchers to present new insight or knowledge, such as novel methodology. In its later development, life cycle assessment has expanded to cover social and economic aspects as well.

In that regard, IJoLCAS accepts contributions on the following topics: life cycle assessment, life cycle inventory, life cycle impact assessment, data and databases, life cycle sustainability assessment, sustainability indicators, social life cycle assessment, life cycle costing, environmental footprint, carbon footprint, water footprint, land footprint, chemical footprint, life cycle perspective in environmental management system, life cycle management, life cycle engineering, input-output analysis, substance and material flow analysis, industrial ecology, circular economy, and cleaner production.

This inaugural volume is devoted to life cycle assessment research and the application of such research, which naturally complement each other. In this spirit, the journal will be published regularly twice a year in January and July. This volume comprises five manuscripts. Specifically, the presented articles can be categorized into the following groups :

- Critical review
- Life cycle perspective and assessment
- Water and energy footprint

We are very thankful to authors who contribute to this second issue of the journal. We are certain that this issue will be followed by many others, reporting new development in the life cycle assessment research. This issue would not have been possible without the great support of the Editorial Board members, and anonymous reviewers and we would like to express our sincere thanks to all of them.

It is our hope that these fine collections articles will be a valuable resource for Indonesian Journal of Life Cycle Assessment readers and will stimulate further research into the vibrant area of Life Cycle Assessment, especially in Indonesia and Asian region.

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