Over the years many company managers have complained that ‘none of my transport providers give me data in the same format’, or from the reverse perspective, ‘none of my customers ask for information in the same way’. This leads to wasted efforts in processing and reporting logistics performance data in many ways in response to different requests.

The GLEC Declaration is the logical step following the development and implementation of the GLEC Framework for calculating logistics emissions (although it could be used by companies even if they have not yet started to use the GLEC Framework). The GLEC Declaration was developed in consultation with businesses, starting with a selection of GLEC member companies and then with the wider GLEC community including additional companies as well as green freight programs, NGOs and policy makers as well as the European Commission and the LEARN partners.

The GLEC Declaration can help businesses to streamline the efforts required to greater understanding of results, lower costs and allowing greater focus on emission reduction. The GLEC Declaration is in complete alignment with GLEC Framework.

About LEARN and the GLEC Framework
The project Logistics Emissions Accounting and Reduction Network (LEARN) mobilizes businesses to reduce their carbon footprint across the global logistics supply chains through improved emissions calculation and reporting. LEARN partners work closely with related organizations, initiatives and already existing networks. This includes the Global Logistics Emissions Council (GLEC), a voluntary partnership that was established by Smart Freight Centre together with companies, industry associations, programs and experts. The LEARN project builds on and seeks to improve the ‘GLEC Framework for Logistics Emissions Methodologies’ based on existing methodologies. The GLEC Framework makes carbon accounting work for industry. For the first time, emissions can be calculated consistently at the global level across all transport modes and logistics sites. The LEARN consortium is led by Smart Freight Centre and includes the following partners:

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The GLEC Declaration works at two levels:

**BUSINESS TO BUSINESS REPORTING**

At service level to customers (may be supported through a green freight program or similar initiative)

Sets out a simple set of core indicators that can be used to describe each individual transport service performed and its core emissions performance, in terms of total emissions and emission intensity, over the course of a year. The information is split out to show performance for the individual transport modes that are used, and also gives an indication of the type of data that have been used in the calculation, as that may influence the reliability of the reported data.

- **Minimum:**
  - GHG emissions total (based on WTW, CO2e, Scope 1, 2, 3)
  - GHG emissions per tonne-km
  - Tonne-km
  - Reporting Year
  - Breakdown by modes and logistics sites (if material) and pre- and on-carriage
  - Input data source by mode

- **Negotiable:**
  - Multi-years, other time periods
  - Breakdown by shipment level, trade lane, business unit, geography, product, other
  - Breakdown by WTW and TTW

**PUBLIC REPORTING**

At company level in to public, government, investors, programs

Transparent public reporting of supply chain emissions, including logistics, is becoming a core element of corporate best practice. At this level the GLEC Declaration provides each company, whether a transport provider or a purchaser of transport services, with a template to add up the emissions from each individual service and present it in aggregated form for a yearlong period. Again, results are presented in terms of total emissions and emission intensity. The proportion of each transport mode used and the extent of the overall supply chain covered are documented to add transparency.

- **Minimum:**
  - GHG emissions total (based on WTW, CO2e, Scope 1, 2, 3)
  - GHG per unit of production (shipper)
  - Breakdown scope 1, 2 and 3
  - Reporting Year
  - Breakdown by modes and logistics sites (if material)
  - Percentage logistics supply chain coverage
  - Disclose if input data was independently verified

- **Smart Freight Leadership:**
  - GHG per tonne-km for each mode (LSP/carrier)
  - GHG emissions tonne/km (shipper)
  - Past years (maximum 3)
  - Breakdown by WTW and TTW at global level
  - Breakdown business units
  - Input data by source for each mode
  - Input data was independently verified