

Quick guide: How to use the openLCA Database Analyser and Launcher



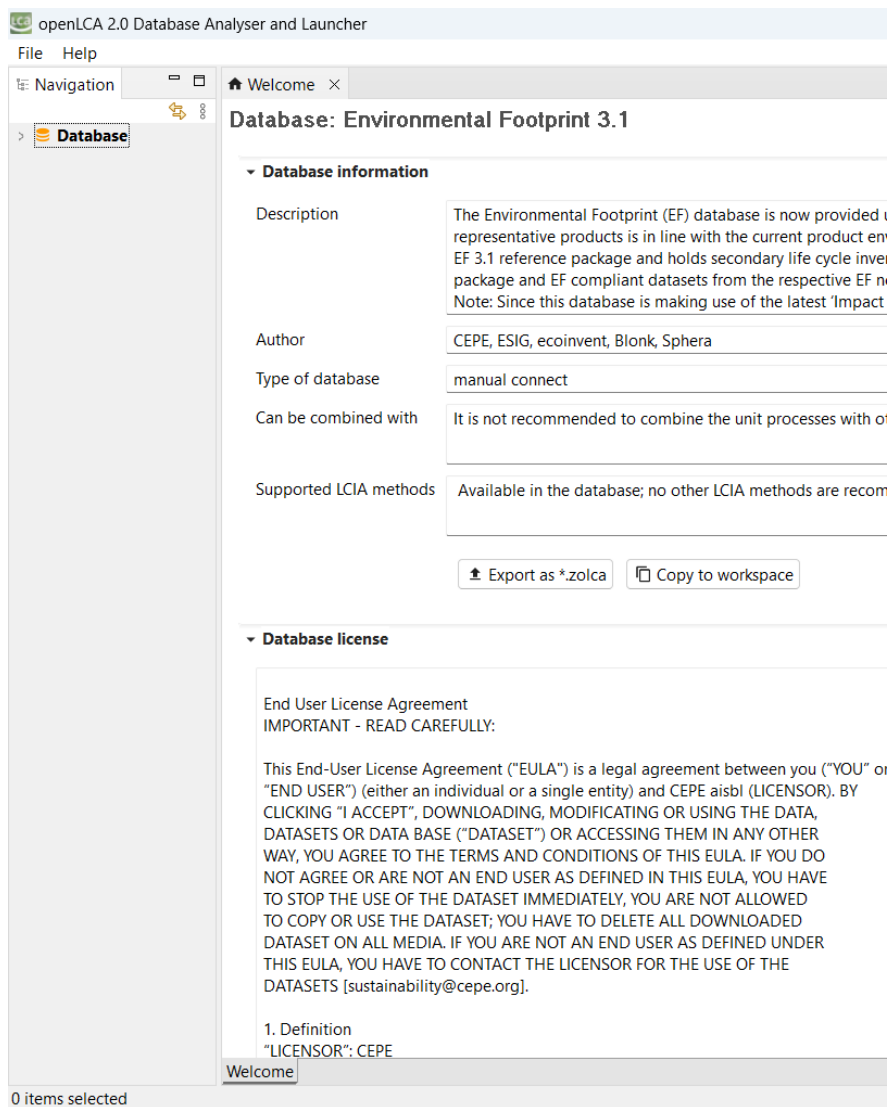
You shall use the Database Analyser and Launcher (DAL) every time that the database you want to acquire has a dependency on the DAL tool. Here are the steps on how to use the DAL and how to obtain the desired database for use in openLCA.

A zip file is obtained when downloading the database of interest.

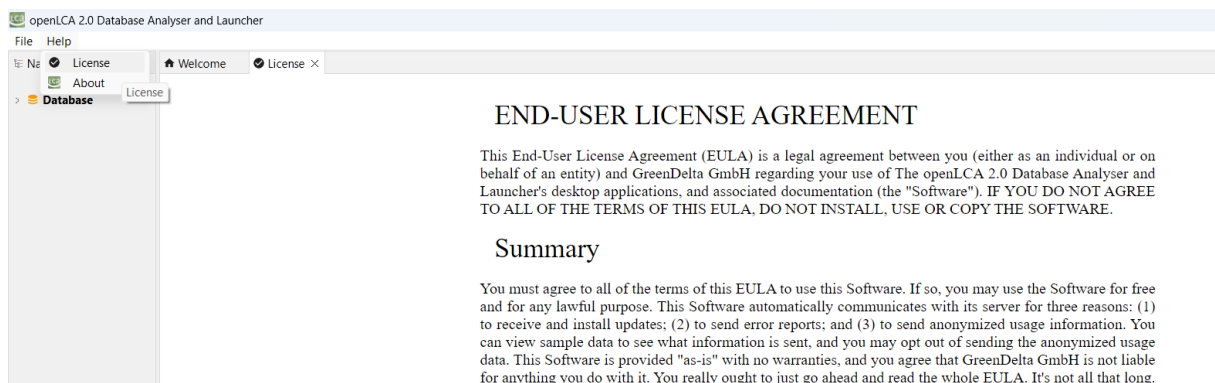
1. Unzip the file. *Note: Please unzip the file in a location close to the root directory like (e.g. "C:/," "C:/XX/") avoiding the windows path limit (<256 character) as the EF database holds very long file names*
2. Open the executable file to start the openLCA DAL tool

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data	06/11/2023 11:44	File folder	
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.eclipseproduct	06/11/2023 11:44	ECLIPSEPRODUCT File	1 KB
about.html	06/11/2023 11:44	Microsoft Edge HTML D...	436 KB
derby.log	06/11/2023 16:45	Text Document	2 KB
openLCA DAL.exe	06/11/2023 11:44	Application	521 KB
openLCA DAL.ini	06/11/2023 11:44	Configuration settings	1 KB

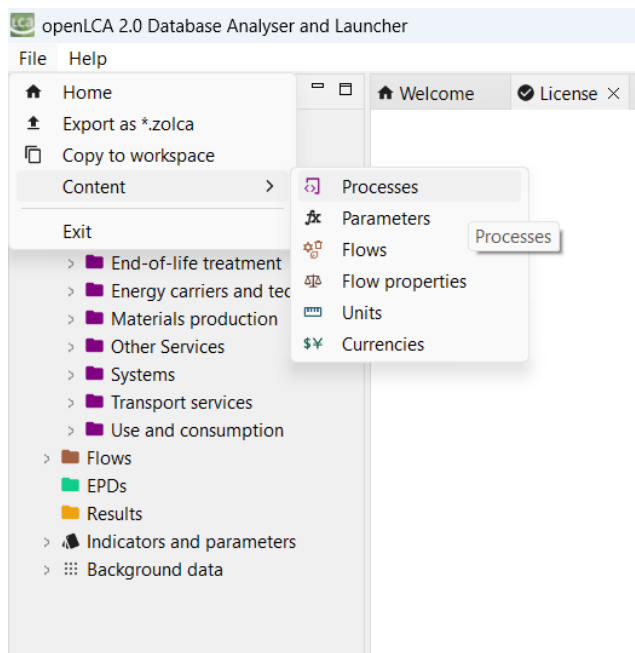
The DAL tool will open and display its welcome page:



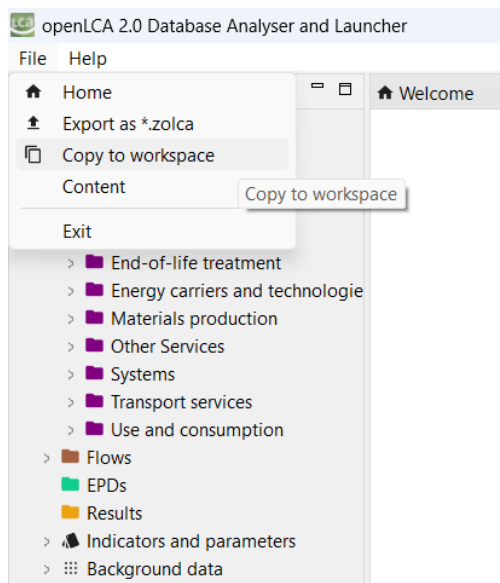
Licence information for the databases can be found in the welcome page, and additional details for DAL licence can be found under *Help > Licence*:



You can already browse and see the database using the *File > Content* function:



3. To start using the database with openLCA, *File > copy to workspace*. This will directly include the database in your openLCA, and you will be able to see it and access it once you open again openLCA.



Alternatively, you can use *File > export as .zolca*. This will export the full database into a .zolca file that can afterwards be uploaded into your openLCA with the “restore” function. This second way takes much longer.

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