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**AMERICAN CENTER FOR LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT ANNOUNCES**

**2017 LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT AWARD WINNERS AT LCA XVII**

**LISE LAURIN, EARTHSHIFT GLOBAL, THE FEDERAL LCA COMMONS, and GE's ECOASSESSMENT CENTER OF EXCELLENCE**

**Washington, DC.-October 18, 2017-** The American Center for Life Cycle Assessment (ACLCA) honored extraordinary leaders in life cycle assessment (LCA) Lise Laurin, CEO and Founder EarthShift Global, The Federal LCA Commons, and GE's Ecoassessment Center of Excellence at the LCA XVII Awards Dinner on October 4, 2017 at the Sheraton Harborside Hotel in Portsmouth, NH. The LCA XVII Conference brings together more than 250 leaders from government, industry, academia and NGOs to share knowledge, expertise and advance the science and application of LCA to achieve environmental sustainability.

"Each year, the LCA Awards highlight the individuals and organizations that have gone above and beyond to accelerate and innovate the science and implementation of LCA," said Debbie Steckel, Executive Director of ACLCA. "I would like to personally congratulate all the LCA Award winners – individuals and organizations, that have gone the extra mile to advance the use of LCA through best practices and leadership." The LCA XVII awardees — Lise Laurin, The Federal LCA Commons and the Ecoassessment Center of Excellence - all showcase the leadership and use of LCA that has contributed significantly to achieving environmental sustainability.

**The LCA Award** recipients for 2017 include:

**Lise Laurin, CEO and Founder, Earthshift Global received the 2017 Rita Schenck Lifetime Individual LCA Leadership Award.** Lise Laurin is a pioneer in LCA and lead's the way in developing tools to build organizational capacity and drive large-scale change. She continues to impact the field through her company as well as her leadership in the LCA community.

Lise is the Vice President of the Sustainability Conocente Network, a member of the board of directors for the ACLCA, a member of the SETAC Steering Committee for the LCA interest group, a member of the US ISO TAGs on LCA and Ecolabeling and an advisor to the AIChE Institute for Sustainability and Engineers for Sustainability. She holds a BS in Physics from Yale University.

**The Federal LCA Commons received the 2017 Government Leadership in LCA Award.** The Federal LCA Commons team is dedicated to building capacity for life cycle thinking nationally and globally and is committed to providing open access to Federal government products and data sets. They have demonstrated an excellent ability to self-organize and make progress towards common goals. The ACLCA honors their spirit of collaboration and fine example of teamwork.

The Federal LCA Commons is a collaborative initiative among several U.S. government departments and agencies and includes subject matter experts from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Library and U.S. Forest Service; the Department of Energy supported by the

National Energy Technology Laboratory, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, and Argonne National Laboratory; the Office of the Secretary of Defense; the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; the Federal Highway Administration; and the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

**GE's Ecoassessment Center of Excellence received the 2017 Corporate LCA Leadership Award.** The General Electric Company (GE) introduced the Ecoassessment Center of Excellence in 2007 to develop a strategy and vision for assessing the environmental impacts of products throughout their entire lifespan, from raw materials extraction through reuse, recycling, or disposal at the end of product life. The team, championed by Bill Flanagan and Angela Fisher has developed LCA and life cycle management strategies for a myriad of product and technology categories in a wide range of industry sectors including healthcare, transportation, lighting, aviation, renewable energy, additive manufacturing, advanced materials, and sustainable manufacturing. Their inspiring work has had a major impact on the design and development of clean, innovative technology and product solutions that help solve some of the world's most pressing sustainability challenges.

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