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The importance of environmental management is becoming increasingly significant for manufacturers and businesses. Environmentally related legislation, together with the responsibility for the future condition of our world environment is driving the need for manufacturing companies to introduce Environmental Management Systems (EMS). However, in many cases, the introduction of an environmental management system can achieve cost savings, in addition to reducing environmental liability. Waste of resources and creation of pollution are possible areas for improvement. The EMS standards stress the need for continuous improvement in striving to protect the environment. It may also concern other groups of people, particularly your suppliers and sub-contractors. It is in this way that the cause of Environmental Management Systems has spread to date, and will continue in the future. The Climate Change Levy is also an important driver to minimise extra costs.

ENDS report: UK journal of environmental policy.

[ENDS consultancy](#): Provides a free directory of environmental consultancies, plus industry news and market intelligence.

The [Energy, Environmental and Sustainability Group](#) (EESG) is made up of approximately 14,000 IMechE members with a registered interest in energy, environment and sustainability issues.

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