

## Franke Industrie AG Policy of conflict minerals

Conflict minerals are used by armed criminal gangs in the eastern part of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to finance violence and offences against human rights. Some of those minerals and the extracted metals can end up in the global supply chain. The recently by the US approved Dodd Frank Act defines conflict minerals as tin, tungsten, tantalum and gold (3TG) and the subsequent products. Franke Industrie AG takes the following steps to declare with a high degree of confidence that the own supply chain is free of conflict minerals.

- Raw material purchase at specialised longtime suppliers
- Confirmation of suppliers that their own supply chain is free of conflict minerals
- Adoption of the EICC-GeSI reporting template for conflict minerals

Nevertheless it has to be considered that Franke Industrie AG and the suppliers of the raw material may have a limited overview of the complete own supply chain.

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