

CONFLICT MINERALS POLICY STATEMENT

So-called minerals originating from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas (CAHRAs), commonly referred to as 3TG minerals (tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold), as well as other minerals considered high risk –including cobalt, copper, mica, natural graphite, lithium and nickel– may originate from regions characterized by armed conflict, political instability, weak governance or a high risk of human rights abuses. In these contexts, the extraction and trade of minerals may contribute to the financing of armed groups, forced labor, human rights violations, corruption or money laundering.

VALID Trusted Connectivity BU (VALID) is committed to maintaining a socially and ethically responsible supply chain, supporting international efforts to eliminate the use of minerals that directly or indirectly contribute to armed conflict or human rights abuses.

This Policy is based on the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas, as well as on the tools and programs developed by the Responsible Minerals Initiative (RMI), as internationally recognized references.

VALID does not directly purchase 3TG minerals or other high-risk minerals from mines, smelters or refiners. As the organization operates at downstream levels of the supply chain, it relies on its suppliers to provide reliable information regarding the origin of minerals contained in the materials, parts and components supplied.

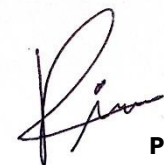
In order to ensure appropriate due diligence, VALID requests its suppliers to provide information on mineral origin using industry-recognized tools, such as the Conflict Minerals Reporting Template (CMRT) for 3TG minerals and the Extended Minerals Reporting Template (EMRT) for other high-risk minerals, both developed by the Responsible Minerals Initiative.

VALID actively promotes the use of smelters and refiners that are conformant with the Responsible Minerals Assurance Process (RMAP) or equivalent recognized schemes, as well as the use of recycled or scrap-based materials where applicable.

When risks related to minerals sourced from conflict-affected and high-risk areas are identified in the supply chain, VALID will apply a progressive risk-based management approach, working collaboratively with suppliers to identify, assess and mitigate such risks before considering disengagement, except in cases involving severe and unacceptable impacts.

Should minerals sourced from facilities that do not comply with internationally recognized due diligence principles be identified, VALID will take the necessary corrective actions to remove such materials from its supply chain and strengthen applicable controls, with the objective of ensuring a responsible and transparent supply chain.

VALID Management is committed to establishing, coordinating and promoting the necessary procedures for the proper implementation of this Policy throughout the organization, as well as to communicating it to relevant stakeholders and reviewing it periodically as part of the continuous improvement process of the management system.



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