

Statement on the use of so-called „conflict minerals“

Tin and gold are among the materials used by the HARTING Technology Group in the manufacture of a range of items in its product portfolio. Tin is found in certain copper alloy connector elements, a number of coatings and solder, whilst gold is used in coatings for a number of connector elements.

As tin and gold belong to the group of so-called “conflict minerals”, they could be expected to be originated from conflict mines in the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries. The profits made from such conflict mines are often used for financing illegal or criminal activities in those countries.

As the respective supply chains for tin and gold are very extensive, we took the initiative and asked our tin and gold delivering suppliers to provide evidence that the metals delivered to HARTING are originated from harmless mines not located in countries mentioned above. The results from such survey are available at our global purchasing department.

Our suppliers confirmed and acknowledged that we do not source tin or gold directly or indirectly from conflict mines in the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries.