

LayTec is committed to responsible and sustainable corporate governance and expects the same commitment from its supply chain partners as well.

In 2012 the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission adopted final rules to implement reporting and disclosure requirements related to „conflict minerals“, as directed by the “Dodd-Frank Act” of 2010. Companies registered on the U.S. stock exchange are required to report annually whether the products they manufacture or contract to manufacture contain conflict minerals that are necessary to the functionality or production of those products.

The intent of these regulations is to curtail the trade with conflict minerals, which originate from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) or surrounding countries and finance or benefit the ongoing violent conflict in the DRC or an adjoining country.

Conflict minerals within the meaning of the Dodd-Frank Act are:

***gold, tantalite, tungsten and tin***

**LayTec AG as a company is not subject to the mentioned reporting and disclosure requirements.**

In light of the requirements of the Dodd-Frank Act, we will work with our suppliers to trace material content in our products in order to determine whether minerals originating from mining or noncertified smelting operations in the conflict region are used in our products. We will not knowingly use conflict minerals from noncertified smelters of the conflict region in our products. As a result, we expect the same due diligence from our supply chain partners and their suppliers as well as the information about the origin of the minerals. If LayTec discovers the use of non-conflict free materials in our supply chain reasonable steps will be taken to support our chain partners.

Due to the size of our supply chains as well as the complexity of the routes by which these conflict minerals are traded, smelted and sold it might require some time to obtain full traceability to exact origin.

LayTec quality management