Statement on conflict materials

In accordance with Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act and Regulation (EU) 2017/821

Festo supplies roughly 30,000 catalogue products in several hundred thousand variants and develops some 10,000 customer-specific solutions each year. In doing so, the company works with a great variety of suppliers from many different countries.

We have analysed our portfolio and listed product groups which might contain conflict minerals in our CMRT (conflict minerals reporting template). The corresponding information is based on statements received from our suppliers. We have not surveyed and analyzed suppliers and product groups which obviously do not contain any conflict minerals.

In accordance with our position within the supply chain, we follow the recommendations of the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas, based on which we have implemented risk mitigation measures.

The conflict minerals are in our products in an already processed form. The complexity of the supply chains, several production steps and intermediary traders complicate a clear allocation and thus make a clear traceability up to the smelter impossible.
For the reasons mentioned above, we also refrain from approaching non-certified smelters. We also refrain from binding declarations or guarantees that our products are 100% free of conflict minerals from high risk areas.

Our CMRT has been prepared in accordance with this procedure. We are unable to guarantee 100% transparency.

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