

# OCTOBER, 2023 Conflict Minerals Compliance

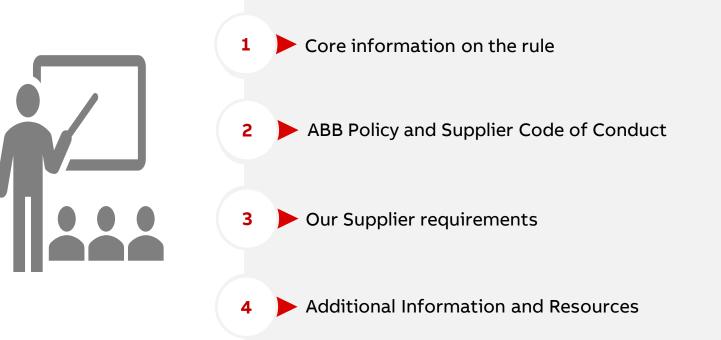
## Training for Suppliers

Conflict Minerals Team

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## **Content overview**

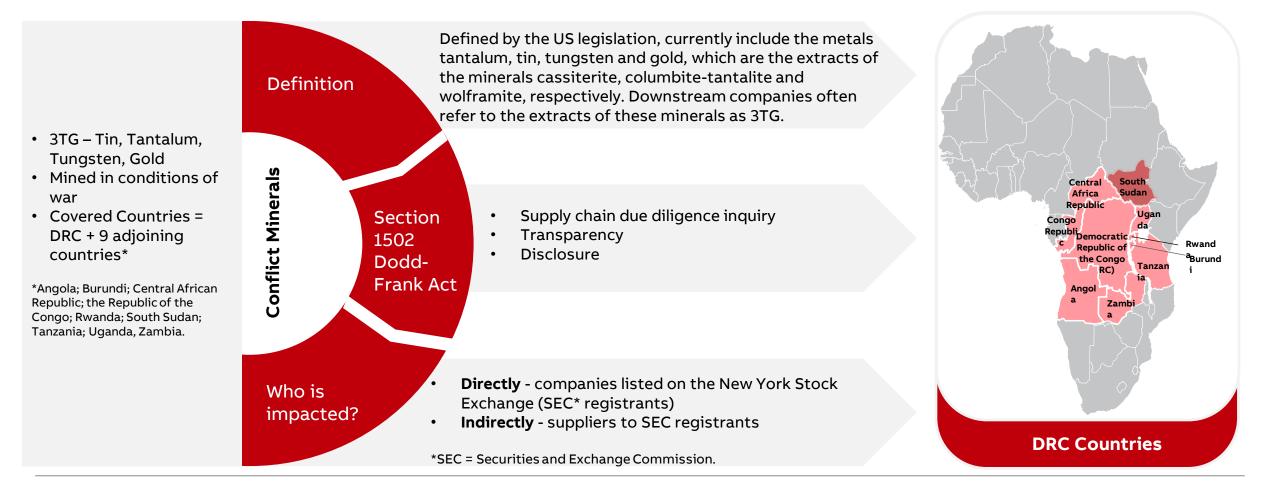


## Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Expansion				
3TG	Tin , Tungsten , Tantalum and Gold				
CAP	Corrective Action Plan				
CMRT	Conflict Minerals Reporting Template				
CRT	Cobalt Reporting Template				
EMRT	Extended Minerals Reporting Template				
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development				
RCOI	Reasonable Country of Origin Inquiry				
SOR's	Smelters and Refiners				
US SEC	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission				

# What are conflict minerals and...

Why should the world care?



# **Conflict Minerals and Dodd-Frank Act Section 1502**

Reporting requirements & Implications



## Implications for ABB's suppliers

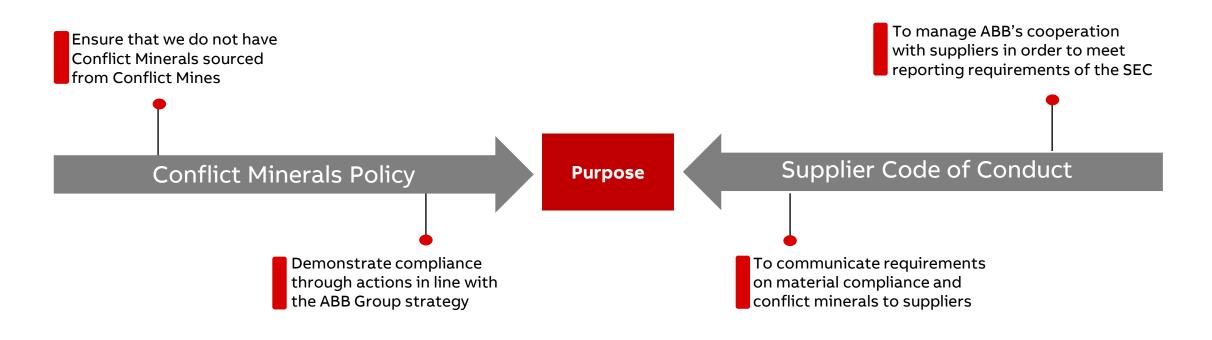
In order to enable ABB to file the Special Disclosure Form (Form SD) and Conflict Minerals Report to the SEC, you as an ABB supplier need to:

- Adhere to our Supplier Code of Conduct
- Respond to our information requests in an accurate, honest and timely manner
- Conduct your own due diligence and engage with your own supply chain on conflict minerals

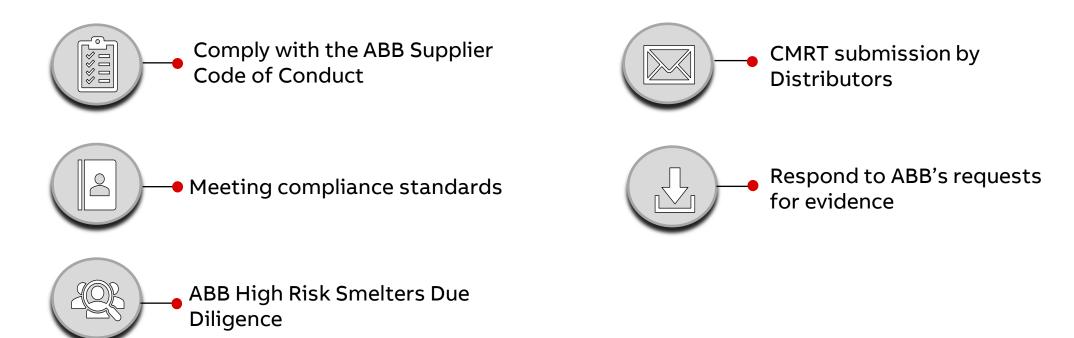
Risk mitigation is imperative Suppliers are an integral part of this process

# ABB's Conflict Minerals Policy / Supplier Code of Conduct

### Purpose



Overview



Our suppliers' willingness to comply with these requests will be a factor in our future sourcing decisions

ABB Supplier Code of Conduct / Compliance standards

## **1.** Comply with the ABB Supplier **Code of Conduct**

ABB's Supplier Code of Conduct has been updated to include requirements specific to conflict minerals:

- "Implement a policy regarding conflict minerals • and exercise due diligence to investigate the source of these minerals"
- Respond in a timely manner to ABB's requests for evidence of your compliance with these requirements"

#### 2. Meeting compliance standards

Work towards ensuring that any conflict minerals contained in the products supplied to ABB do not originate from mines that support or fund conflict within the Democratic Republic of Congo and adjoining countries

#### How?

- Undertake due diligence efforts
- Establish company management systems
- Identify and assess risks in the supply chain
- Design and implement a strategy to respond to identified risks

#### Sustainability & Integrity in the Supply Chain

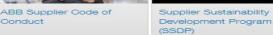
Sustainability and integrity are a key part of ABB's Supply Chain Management strategy. Discover more here!

Conduct



Sustainability in ABB - Video This animated story illustrates the importance of the ABB Supplier Code of Conduct.





Conflict minerals and

hazardous substances



Integrity at ABE Visit our integrity portal



How to boost your business and become certified under the **ICGLR** Certification Scheme



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Due Diligence

## 3. ABB High Risk Smelters Due Diligence

Work towards ensuring that any conflict minerals contained in the products supplied to ABB do not originate from mines / SOR's:

- That support or fund conflict within the Democratic Republic of Congo and adjoining countries,
- Are in the Conflict Affected and High Risk Areas (CAHRA) and not aligned to the OECD program.

- OFAC Risk

#### How?

- Undertake due diligence efforts,
- Establish company management systems,
- Identify and assess risks in the supply chain,
- Design and implement a strategy to respond to identified risks.

- You will receive a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) <u>highlighting</u> <u>these SOR's (Smelters and Refiners)</u> as High Risk if present in the CMRT submitted by your company along with any Non-Conformant SOR's.
- Please take necessary actions as mentioned and provide an updated CMRT or a date as to when the action will be completed.

## 4. CMRT Submission by distributors

Manufacturer / Supplier 1 CMRT 1 Manufacturer / Supplier 2 CMRT 2 Manufacturer / Supplier 3 CMRT 3 Manufacturer / Supplier 4 CMRT 4

ABB Supplier / Distributor (CMRT 1+CMRT 2+CMRT 3+CMRT 4 )= Supplier / Distributor CMRT (With your COMPANY NAME) \*\*

ABB will ONLY accept Consolidated (Supplier / Distributor CMRT)

- 1. Please request CMRT's from your suppliers.
- 2. Consolidate all CMRT's into one Company Level CMRT under your Company name and submit to ABB.
- 3. Please NOTE ABB will ONLY accept CMRT's and NOT your policies or any alternate information.

Important : Please update your Company name to the consolidated CMRT being submitted to ABB

Response

## 5. Respond to ABB's requests for evidence

Initial invitation by ABB to request for completion of the EICC/GeSi Conflict Minerals reporting template (CMRT)

Contacted by ABB if the CMRT is incomplete or additional information is required Contacted by ABB once conflict minerals status is identified to agree on follow-up actions (where necessary)

ABB to work with suppliers on appropriate Corrective Action Plan (CAP) (where necessary)

#### Click here to download latest CMRT from RMI

It is imperative that your responses are: Accurate, Honest, Timely



Submitting CMRT

## ABB provides two ways of submitting the CMRT:

- 1) Via email directly to system
- 2) Via upload link directly to system

Sample e-mail with the request from the system will look like the following message.



Supplier ID : G00000000 Supplier Name :

Important request for information on the use of Conflict Minerals (3TG) in the products you supply to ABB

Dear valued supplier,

Please find attached a request for information on the use of Conflict Minerals in the products you supply to ABB, includi

A Guidance Document is attached, which provides information on how to complete the Conflict Minerals Section of the links.

ABB provides two ways to submit the CMRT file directly to system, either via email OR via upload link.

- 1. Please click here to submit your CMRT via e-mail.
- 2. CMRT Submission via link

If you are not the correct point of contact, please ensure this email is forwarded to the right person in your organization

Submitting CMRT

## Submitting CMRT via e-mail

- Click the email link (see below)
- Do NOT click reply to send CMRTs via email
- Do NOT edit subject line

#### Submitting CMRT via link

- Click the upload link (see below) in e-mail
- Step 1 Submitter Information
- Step 2 Upload the CMRT
- Step 3 Click Submit

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ABB provides two ways to submit the 1. Please click here to submit you 2. CMRT Submission via link. If you are not the correct point of cont				ABB provides two ways to submit the CM 1. Please click here to submit your 2. CMR <sup>T</sup> Submission via link. If you are not the correct point of contact,	I -ease upload your Conflict Minerals Reporting Template (CMRT) Excel file. You can get an empty template at this Link. Choose File CMRT Without Errors also

Within a few minutes you will receive an email with feedback from the system. If your CMRTs has errors, they MUST be fixed.

## Important Notes

Instructions to fill CMRT Declaration

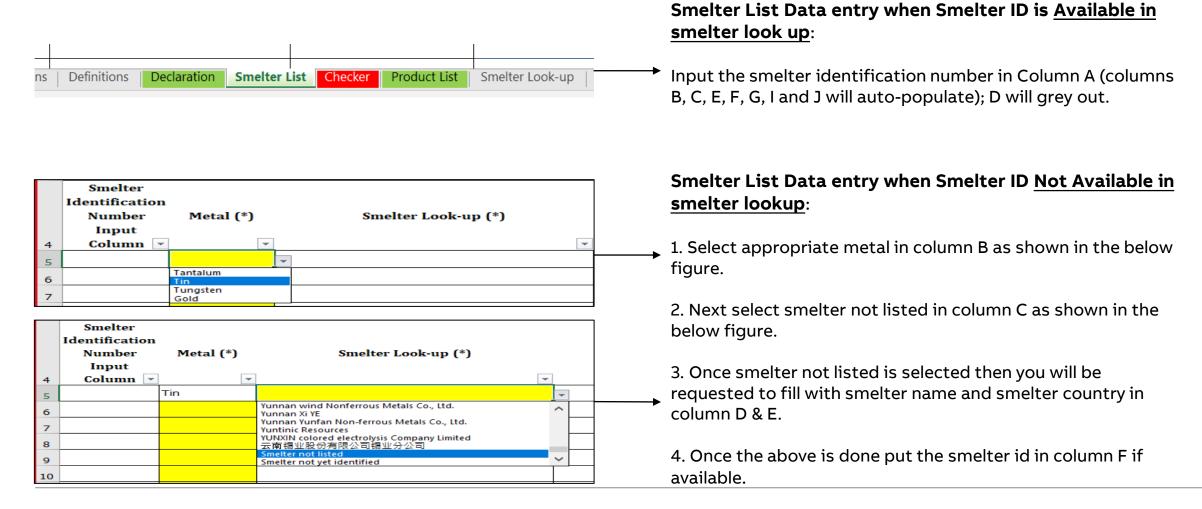
- If you are unable to open the CMRT submission link provided in the invite, you can submit your CMRT via email
   @ global-conflictmineralscompliance@abb.com
- ABB only accepts CMRT above version 6.0
- Fill all the mandatory / Yellow fields in the CMRT.
- Only one email address can be provided in the E-mail contact
- Effective date in CMRT should belong to current reporting year (Jan 2022 to current date).
- If answer to question E is "yes, using other format", you are required to mention the format that you use in the comment section.

- If you need product details, send an email. We will reach out to our internal team and provide you the product list if available. Meanwhile we request you to submit a company level CMRT.
- If there is any company name change notify us by sending an email. Meanwhile, provide a CMRT with your current company name.
- If you are not the manufacturer of the products supplied/are a distributors, then upload your manufacturers CMRT using the link provided or share the link with your manufacturers and request them to upload their CMRTs.
- If you are unable to submit the CMRT in the given time frame, advise if the CMRT can be submitted before 15th of April. This will help us to work on action plans if any.
- If you are not the right contact for Conflict minerals in your organization, forward mail to the right contact and notify us.

#### Feel free to write back to us using the below mail : global-conflictmineralscompliance@abb.com

## **Important Notes**

## Instructions to fill the Smelter List in the CMRT



# ABB general and specific information

Links



#### **General information**

- SEC Conflict Minerals Ruling (<u>link</u>)
- OECD Guidelines (link)
- Simplified guide to the OECD Guidelines (<u>link</u>)

#### Additional information for suppliers

- ABB Supplier Code of Conduct (link)
- ABB Policy on Responsible Minerals (link)
- Supplying to ABB Portal (link)
- ABB Material Compliance for Suppliers (<u>link</u>)
- Conflict Minerals (<u>video</u>)
- Guide to Supplier Response Template (link)

Questions related to completion of your CMRT? Reach out to us @*global-conflictmineralscompliance@abb.com* 





The purpose of this training material is to provide background information to ABB suppliers on conflict minerals, communicate ABB's requirements regarding conflict minerals and provide guidance on how to fulfil these requirements. The recommendations in this training material are based on ABB's understanding and experience and do not relieve ABB suppliers from their obligations to follow all applicable legal requirements, including contractual obligations.

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