



**Complete Equipment - Service - Materials - Spare parts
for Thermal Spraying & Laser Cladding**

Conflict Minerals Statement

Sustainability

We, the GTV group, provide our customers with innovative product solutions worldwide that secure sustainable success for our customers and make a positive contribution to global sustainable development.

We attach great importance to social and environmental aspects such as the protection of human rights, the fight against corruption as well as protecting the environment.

Conflict Minerals

The promotion of certain raw materials in DR Congo and neighbouring countries contributes partially to significant human rights violations and for the financing of violent conflict in the region. The Congress of the United States of America in 2010 adopted the "Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act" (Dodd-Frank Act). The Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act and the implementing regulations of the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) require companies who are subject to the SEC's supervision, to write a report on whether the products produced by them or their production they commissioned contain "conflict minerals" that are "necessary for the functionality or production". The Dodd-Frank Act and the SEC define "conflict minerals" as tantalum, tin, tungsten (and ores, from which they are derived) and gold, regardless of where they are procured, processed or sold.

The GTV Group is not subject to the SEC's oversight and therefore has no legal obligation to comply with the requirements for conflict minerals of Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act. At the same time we acknowledge that the provisions of the SEC for the Section 1502 encourage our direct and indirect customers to conduct due diligence audits within their global supply chain.

Statement

The GTV group seeks not to buy any material including "conflict minerals" that directly or indirectly finance or benefit armed groups in DR Congo or neighbouring countries. For this purpose, we will initiate appropriate processes to check in which of our products these "conflict minerals" are included. We will identify the source and origin in our supply chain. Due to the variety of products we offer and the high complexity of the corresponding supply chain this is an ongoing process. We contact our direct suppliers to increase transparency concerning the parts they supply. We will continue this close cooperation with customers, suppliers and other stakeholders in order to develop good approaches and practical solutions.

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