

Aurubis' procurement policy for gold raw materials

Supply chain responsibility at Aurubis – procuring conflict-free gold raw materials

Aurubis is committed to its responsibility in the supply chain. In 2013 the company defined a group-wide Sustainability Strategy that builds on what has been achieved so far and enables sustainable activities to be systematically developed even further. Responsibility in the supply chain continues to be given high priority in the Sustainability Strategy. Ecological and social aspects also play an important role.

Aurubis has a group-wide policy in place to avoid the procurement of conflict materials containing gold. It is oriented towards the standards of the Gold Guidance issued by the London Bullion Market Association (LBMA) and is based on Annex II of the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for conflict minerals ("corporate policy"). The corporate policy prescribes a risk-oriented process for checking suppliers' identity and integrity (Business Partner Screening) that is used to review the relevant aspects of the supply chain before contracts are signed. If this results in any suspicious findings, more intensive reviews and inspections are carried out.

In December 2013 Aurubis was successfully audited by TÜV Nord for the processing of so-called conflict-free gold raw materials in accordance with the LBMA. The associated "Good Delivery" status at the LBMA verifies this. Aurubis therefore fulfills the high requirements for processing conflict-free raw materials for gold production. Pursuant to the corporate policy and LBMA regulations, Aurubis does not use any gold-bearing raw materials that originate from conflict regions or contribute to conflicts there.

We require that our suppliers' material is produced and/or exported in compliance with all of the relevant legal regulations and that the suppliers comply with the sanctions and trade restrictions imposed by the UN as well as UN conventions related to human rights, environmental protection and safety.

Aurubis sources primary and secondary raw materials for copper production. Gold is contained in primary raw materials and many recycling materials, e.g. in electronic scrap.

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