

iPoint Conflict Minerals Platform

Introducing the iPoint Conflict Minerals Platform

The iPoint Conflict Minerals Platform (iPCMP) is a web-based, on-demand software solution supporting manufacturing companies with the collection, management, aggregation and reporting of conflict minerals information across their entire supply chain, meeting the requirements of their customers and the regulatory authorities.

Conflict Minerals Legislation

According to Section 1502 of the US Dodd-Frank Act (2010) and the related Final Rule of the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) 2012, publicly listed US companies need to disclose the origin of certain raw materials (gold, tin, tungsten and tantalum) in their products, on an annual basis. The first reporting year covers 2013, with the first reports due by May 31, 2014.

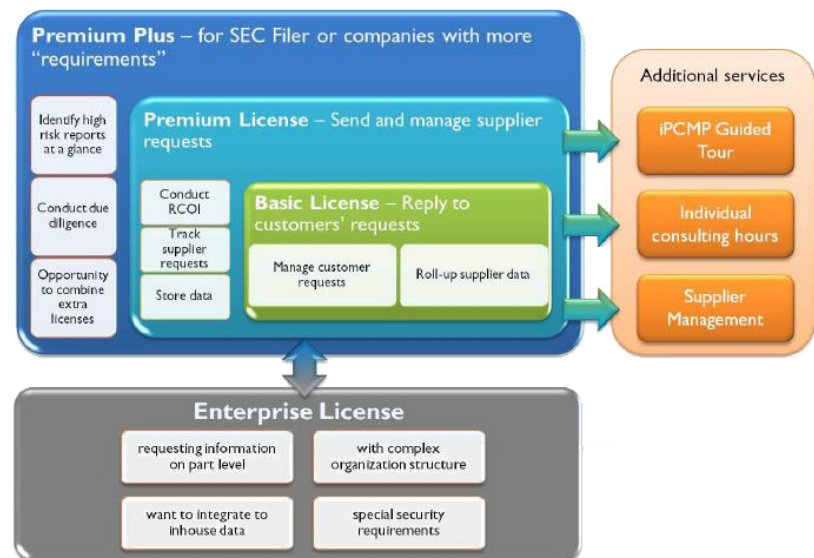
The aim of the legislation is to put an end to violent conflicts and human rights violations in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and adjoining countries, which are financed through the mining and trading of certain raw materials (Conflict Minerals). Since the US companies directly affected by this law are passing their reporting obligations through their global supply chains, the law has a significant international impact. According to the SEC, 280,000 companies worldwide are affected.

This issue is not limited to the US. The European Union is currently preparing its own Conflict Minerals legislation, which will likely be proposed in 2014. The minerals covered by the anticipated EU regulation are not expected to deviate from the four minerals included in the US legislation; however the geographical scope will almost certainly be wider than that of US legislation, and not limited solely to Central Africa.

The iPoint Conflict Minerals Platform (iPCMP)

iPCMP is a **cross-industry solution**, used by customers from all major industry sectors, including the automotive, electronics, aerospace, medical devices, mechanical engineering, shipbuilding, textile and clothing industries. With over 13,000 registered companies, in 71 countries, on 6 continents, iPoint-systems has secured its position as the market leader for software that manages, tracks and reports on supply chain data, from product conception to recycling and reuse.

Supporting all sizes of companies from smaller organizations with less than 50 employees to large S&P 500 companies with several thousand employees. iPoint offers flexible licensing, depending on a company's size and reporting requirements.



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