Due to its vision “Respecting the World, Respected Worldwide”, Arçelik is leading sustainability in its sector. As part of Arçelik’s commitment to maintaining the highest ethical, labor and environmental standards among its suppliers, Arçelik has adopted the following policy on responsible sourcing of minerals from conflict-affected and high-risk areas.

Tin, Tungsten, Tantalum and Gold (3TG) are used in the manufacturing of electronics, home appliances and other products. As Arçelik, we commit to refraining from any action which contributes to the financing of conflict and to comply with relevant United Nations sanctions resolutions or, where applicable, domestic laws implementing such resolutions and to supporting our suppliers and business partners do the same.

As part of our efforts to manage its risks and exposures associated with conflict minerals, we expect that our suppliers and business partners:

• Work with their own upstream suppliers to identify the chain of custody or any conflict minerals, including the smelter, country of origin, mine location and status of any conflict minerals that may be present;
• Work with their own upstream suppliers, with whom the potential risks may exist, to take action to mitigate risks and suspend or discontinue engagement with upstream suppliers after failed attempts at mitigation;
• Not offer, promise, give or demand any bribes, and resist the solicitation of bribes to conceal or disguise the origin of minerals;
• Support efforts, or take steps, to contribute to the effective elimination of money laundering where we identify a reasonable risk of money-laundering resulting from, or connected to, the extraction, trade, handling, transport or export of minerals derived from the illegal taxation or extortion of minerals at points of access to mine sites, along transportation routes or at points where minerals are traded by upstream suppliers; and
• Commit to engage with suppliers, national or international governmental authorities, organizations, civil society and affected third parties, as appropriate, to improve and track performance with a view to preventing or mitigating risks of adverse impacts through measurable steps taken in reasonable timescales.