Dear Sir/ Dear Madam,

Growing consumer expectations of ethical procurement practices, and new legislative developments (such as the EU Conflict Minerals Regulation), are forcing companies in mining, automotive, electronics, medical device and aerospace industries among others to dig even deeper across their global supply chain.

Transparency and responsible supply chains are equally of growing interest to investors.

In 2021 the EU Regulation on Conflict Minerals will come into force, which will require better transparency and due diligence in the minerals supply chain. From a compliance perspective, direct requirements will affect mainly upstream companies, however, the trickle-down effect will not spare downstream companies either. Everyone needs to be prepared.

For companies active in global markets, reporting requirements and guidelines are increasingly requiring evidence regarding impact on environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria as a core part of the business strategy and supply chain operations. Whereas risk-oriented due diligence processes continue to be challenging for some companies, other (MNE) companies are pressed by investors and consumers to go
‘beyond compliance’ and demonstrate sustainable value creation in their supply chain.
Collecting and disclosing evidence on performance and impact in responsible supply chains, has become paramount to proving a company’s role and impact in society. Technological innovation and data analytics are proving key to live up to these expectations.

On the 29th November from 4pm to 7pm Deloitte’s Responsible Supply Chain practice is organizing a roundtable discussion to drill deeper and provide you with a comprehensive context related to responsible supply chains, while defining needs, appetite and potential solutions to enhance supply chain transparency and value creation for brands at the same time.

**Agenda**

1. Introduction (5 min)  
   Philippe Delcourt, Partner Risk Advisory

2. Responsible supply chains: changing compliance expectations? (panel – 45 min)  
   - International Organisation on responsible sourcing in general (TBC)
   - Marten Westrup, Coordinator Energy and Raw Materials, European Commission DG Trade
   - Christine Robinson, Senior Manager, Deloitte US – lessons from Dodd Frank Act implementation
   - Moderator: Famke Schaap, Specialist, Global trade / Risk Sustainability

3. Beyond compliance: what role for data and technology in achieving strategic aspirations? (panel – 30 min)  
   - Lilian Meyer, Drive Sustainability, CSR Europe
   - Benjamin Clair, CEO, BetterChain
   - Moderator: Helena Barton, Partner Sustainability Deloitte DK

4. Company testimonial (25 min)  
   - Julian Lageard, Director, Government & Policy Group, EMEA, INTEL
   - Other company (TBC)

5. Roundtable discussion (30 min)  
   What is the business perspective on Responsible Supply Chains? What are the challenges and opportunities?

6. Wrap up & cocktail

RSVP by 16th November 2018 to svrielynck@deloitte.com. Please notify us if you would like to bring or delegate attendance to a colleague for entry registration purposes.

Location Address: Deloitte Belgium, Gateway building – Luchthaven Brussel Nationaal 1J, 1930 Zaventem (Propeller meeting room)

We thank you in advance and look forward to meeting you!

Best regards,

Philippe Delcourt

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