Supplier Declaration of Conformity

1. Scope of Declaration

This Declaration of Conformance applies to all packaging, as defined in EU PPWR[1], including primary, secondary, tertiary and transport packaging.
It covers all packaging materials, components, subcomponents, coatings, inks, adhesives, labels, finishes, and treatments, whether supplied directly by the supplier or through subcontractors and upstream material providers.

2. Declaration

a) No heavy metals are present in packaging

None of the packaging supplied contains, intentionally uses, or is designed to incorporate the following heavy metals in any form, whether as raw materials, additives, impurities, pigments, coatings, inks, adhesives, surface treatments, or by-products:

- Mercury (Hg)
- Lead (Pb)
- Cadmium (Cd)
- HexavAalent Chromium (Cr^{6+})

Any unintentional presence of these substances is minimized and does not exceed a total concentration of 100 ppm (0.01 % by weight) in the finished packaging, including across all packaging materials, components, treatments, and recycled content.

b) No use in packaging manufacturing processes

The supplier confirms that none of the heavy metals listed above are used in any packaging manufacturing, processing, printing, coating, finishing, or treatment operations.

c) For packaging intended to come into contact with food, the supplier declares that such packaging complies with the requirements set out in Article 5(5) of Regulation (EU) 2025/40 (Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation – PPWR). The supplier confirms that substances contained in the packaging or packaging components do not migrate into food in quantities that could:

[1] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/40/oj

- endanger human health;
- bring about an unacceptable change in the composition of the food; or
- bring about a deterioration in the organoleptic characteristics of the food.

The supplier further confirms that food contact packaging materials comply with all applicable European Union food contact material legislation, including Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004 and, where applicable, specific measures such as Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 on plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food.

d) Upstream packaging supply chain compliance

The supplier confirms that all upstream suppliers, subcontractors, and material providers involved in the manufacture of the supplied packaging comply with the same heavy-metal restrictions and do not supply packaging materials containing these substances.

e) Prevention of contamination

Appropriate controls are in place to prevent cross-contamination, carryover from shared equipment, or unintended introduction of heavy metals, including risks related to recycled content, processing aids, inks, pigments, coatings, and handling practices.

f) Ongoing compliance

This declaration applies to all current and future shipments of packaging supplied to the client unless the supplier formally notifies the client in writing of any change prior to shipment.

g) Supporting documentation

Upon request, the supplier agrees to provide reasonable supporting documentation, such as material specifications, supplier declarations, or laboratory test reports, to substantiate this declaration.

3. Change Notification

The supplier agrees to immediately notify the client in writing if any packaging material, manufacturing process, or upstream supplier changes in a way that could introduce any of the listed heavy metals, or if this declaration becomes inaccurate or incomplete.

4. Acknowledgment and Signature

The undersigned certifies that the information provided in this declaration is true, complete, and accurate, and that they are authorized to sign on behalf of the supplier.

5. Supplier declaration valid for all companies in the Linumgroup :

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