

Assurance Statement Gouda Holland/Niedax

Gouda Holland B.V. and Niedax Kleinhuis B.V (further referred to as Gouda Holland/Niedax) commissioned FIRA Sustainability B.V. to provide external assurance on the reliability of the CSR information (Corporate Social Responsibility) presented in the FIRA Platform. This statement is issued to Gouda Holland/Niedax based on our assessment of the content, including underlying systems and available evidence. The statement is intended for 'clients and other stakeholders' who have a professional interest in Gouda Holland/Niedax sustainability performance and challenges, displayed in the FIRA Platform.

The value of this initiative is not found in this statement, but in the actual performance information registered in the FIRA Platform®. Visit www.fira.nl to request free access.

Scope

The scope for this assignment is Manufacture and sales of cable support systems by Gouda Holland B.V. (chamber of commerce 29023861) and Niedax Kleinhuis B.V (chamber of commerce 10030330). in the Netherlands. Foreign corporate and sister companies are not in scope. Please refer to the FIRA Platform for further details regarding legal entities, subsidiaries, processes, etc.

CSR Report: Bronze

Gouda Holland/Niedax has expressed its commitment to the principles of sustainability in the form of a statement. CSR Report Bronze also allows showing sustainable achievements such as best practices, company certificates, product labels, third party assessments, awards and improvement plans.

Methodology & Work Undertaken

FIRA reviewed all company claims in this report, meaning that the sustainability information is tested on adherence to the standard particular to CSR Report Bronze (see FIRA Platform Protocol for details) and substantiation for all claims presented. Claims and related information in the FIRA Platform were reviewed based on the evidence made available by Gouda Holland/Niedax to FIRA to determine the plausibility of information.

FIRA facilitates organizations processing the sustainability information in the FIRA Platform. FIRA ensures that the assessment team possesses the required competencies and adheres to the principles of auditing regarding ethical conduct, professional integrity, and independence.

Conclusion

Gouda Holland/Niedax reports about initiatives and performance related to sustainability. Based on the work undertaken, we conclude that the claims and information portrayed through CSR Report Bronze in the FIRA Platform are reliable.

Summary FIRA Comments

We compliment Gouda Holland/Niedax on initiatives undertaken. Please find a summary of the comments (accomplishments and/or opportunities for improvement) published in the FIRA Platform below:

- **Balance & Completeness:** We compliment Gouda Holland/Niedax for providing a safe working environment to its employees. We encourage Gouda Holland/Niedax to explore and disclose practices on prevention of pollution, energy efficiency, sustainable resource use and sustainable procurement.
- **Code of Conduct:** A company code of conduct is in place.
- **Commitment to CSR:** Gouda Holland/Niedax has committed to the template CSR declaration, including commitment to all CSR principles and to progress on material issues.
- **Value Chain:** There is limited information on the origin of supplies beyond Gouda Holland/Niedax tier 1 suppliers (upstream). It is recommended to collect additional value chain data for metal and chemicals related suppliers.

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On behalf of FIRA,


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