

Ethics in Electronics: What Is Your pinion?

By The WEEF Team

For the past few months, the World Ethical Electronics Forum (WEEF) team has been gathering feedback about ethics-related topics from engineers, makers, academics, and policy makers in the electronics industry. Here we present some of the results. In the coming weeks and months, we will continue to post questions at Elektormagazine.com, the WEEF webpage, and on Elektor's social media channels. We encourage your participation and input.



Imagine Frans Timmermans (Executive Vice President for the European Green Deal) is sitting nearby and you could discuss one of the following topics with him. Which would you choose?

- EU Green Deal and Industry: 58%
- EU Climate Laws: 29%
- EU Emissions Trading System: 13%

Which group do you think can make the most positive impact in terms of making the electronics industry more ethical?

- Private companies: 14%
- Governmental organizations: 20%
- Non-governmental organizations: 18%
- Technical associations & clubs: 48%

Do you think every electronics company should be encouraged to establish a corporate foundation or program for "doing good"?

- Yes. Encourage it: 66%
- No. Leave companies alone: 34%

How difficult is it to recycle electronic components and equipment where you live?

- Easy. I have good options: 39%
- Moderate. I have few options: 51%
- Impossible. No options: 10%

Which of the following three topics is the *most* important to you?

- Eco-friendly PCB design: 15%
- Proper e-waste management: 52%
- Designing green products: 33%

Would you consider accepting a 3% decrease in salary to help your high-tech company fund positive initiatives focused on the environment, STEM education, or other positive social impact projects?

- Yes: 44%
- No: 56%

Do you consider crypto mining wasteful and dangerous for the environment?

- Yes: 78%
- No: 10%
- Unsure: I need more info: 12%



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