











Workshop on
Implementing the United Nations Framework
Classification for Resources (UNFC) in Southeast
Europe

Understanding the European Raw Materials State of Play: EU Critical Raw Materials Act, Strategic Raw Materials Partnerships, and the Implementation of UNFC

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Raw Materials

Critical and strategic



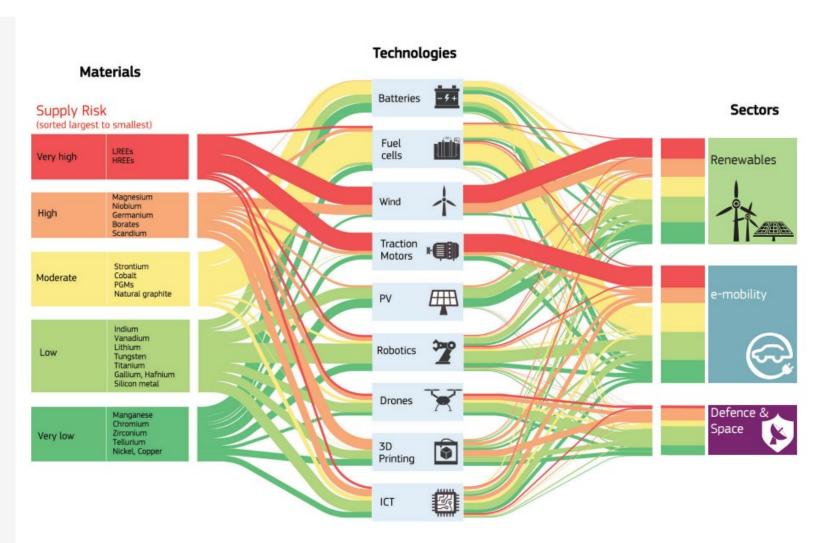
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- Substitution (technical and cost performance)

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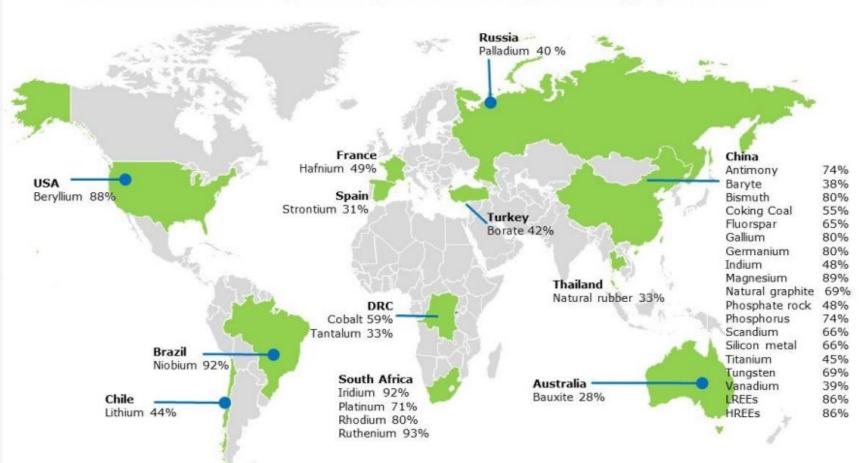
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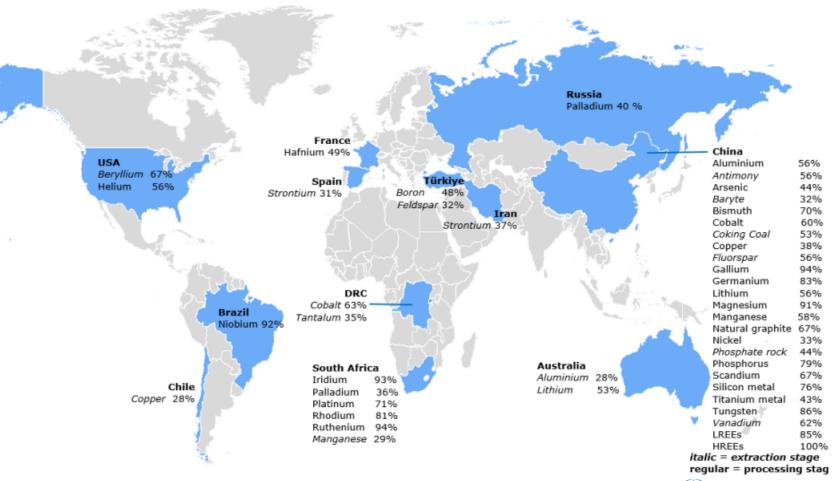
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Strategic Raw Materials - CRMA

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Strategic Raw Material

Critical Raw Materials CRM

- Economic importance
- Supply risk

Strategic Raw Materials SRM

SRM are a subset of CRM:

- Key for strategic technologies (green, digital, defence and space)
- Forecast demand risks outstripping supply

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High relevance of SRM for strategic technologies

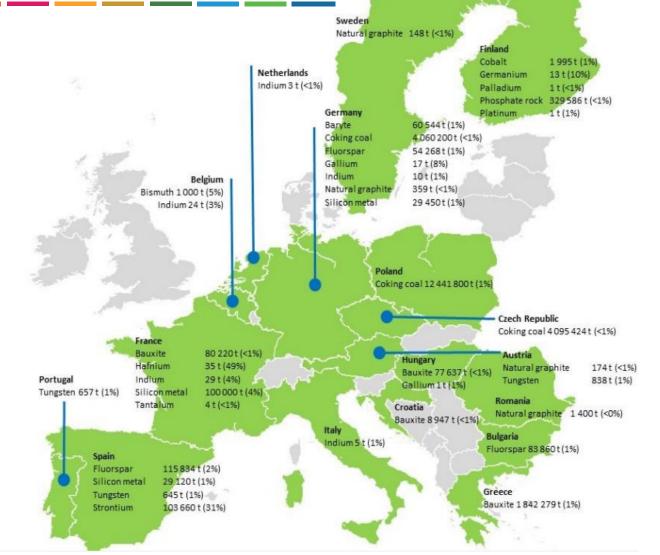
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Critical Raw Materials 2012-2016

- EU producers of CRMs
- in brackets shares of global supply
- for many CRM <1%</p>

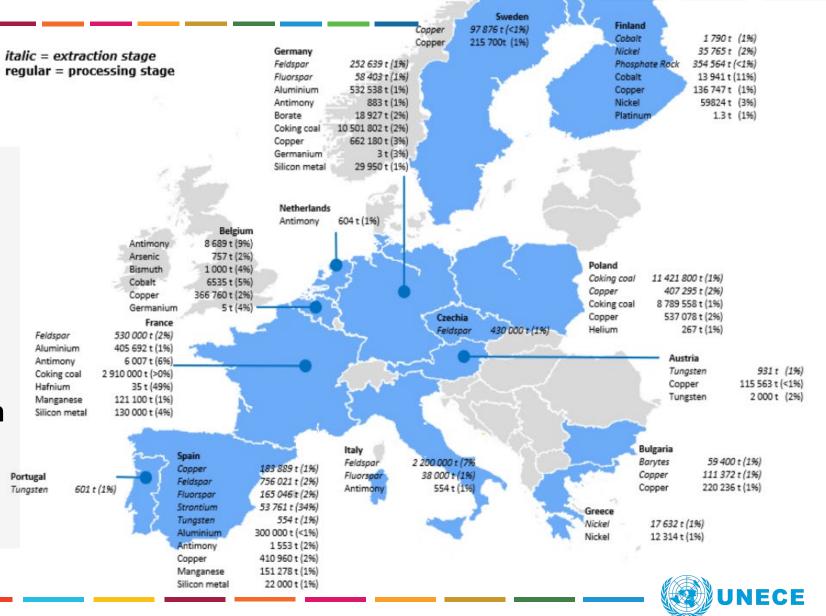




Critical Raw Materials 2016-2020

EU producers of CRMs

- in brackets shares of global supply
- for many CRM 1-3%
- → Still highly dependent on many critical and strategic minerals from non-EU countries



EU Critical Raw Materials Act

Critical and strategic raw materials



EU Critical Raw Materials Act

Ensuring a secure and sustainable supply of critical raw materials for the Union



Strengthen all stages of the European CRM value chain



Improve EU capacity to monitor and mitigate risks of disruption to CRM supply



Diversify EU CRM imports to reduce strategic dependencies



Improve CRM circularity and sustainability



CRMA – Aims and Objectives



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SETTING 2030 BENCHMARKS FOR STRATEGIC RAW MATERIALS



EU EXTRACTION

At least **10%** of the EU's annual consumption for extraction



EU PROCESSING

At least **40%** of the EU's annual consumption for processing



EU RECYCLING

At least **15%** of the EU's annual consumption for recycling



EXTERNAL SOURCES

Not more than 65% of the EU's annual consumption of each strategic raw material at any relevant stage of processing from a single third country



CRMA – concrete measurements

Critical Raw Materials

→ Whole EU economy

Strategic Raw Materials

- Key for strategic technologies (green, digital, defence and space)
- → €6 billion funds established by France, Germany and Italy (and €30 million by Ireland)

Risk mitigation

- Strategic stocks
- Joint purchasing platform

Risk monitoring

- Criticality assessment
- Stress tests
- Early warning system
- Foresight
- Supply bottlenecks analysis
- Projects monitoring UNF

Critical Raw Materials

Act

Circularity

- National programmes
- Recyclability of magnets
- Extractive waste
 UNI

Strategic projects

- Extraction, processing, recycling, substitution; UNFC
- In the EU and outside;
- Faster permitting and judicial procedures, help with financing and off-takes

Exploration

- National programmes
- Database UNFC



EIT Raw Materials

ERMAEuropean Raw Materials
Alliance



EIT Raw Materials



EIT Raw Materials established in 2015 to support securing the supply of CRM to the European industry by driving innovation along the raw materials value chain



→ lead and manage the European Raw Materials Alliance (ERMA)





European Raw Materials Alliance - ERMA



Open and independent forum for discussion and analysis, as well as a mechanism for translating potential projects into actual activities and infrastructures

1. Value chain-specific consultation processes:

- Identify and respond to raw material challenges along industrial ecosystems and within the wider society
- Provide tailored solutions to industry needs
- Unlock regulatory bottlenecks
- Promote stakeholders' strong engagement and commitment through an open process

2. Investment channel for raw materials projects:

- Select and prioritize cases to secure primary and secondary raw materials supply for European industrial ecosystems
- Install Raw Materials Investment Platform (RMIP) to bring investors and investees together
- Define case-specific financing strategies and mechanisms
- Assess EU funding opportunities and financing sources for investment opportunities inside and outside Europe



European Raw Materials Alliance - ERMA

ERMA Impact to date

- >800 partners, strong policy drive
- REE Action Plan released 2021
- Input into CRMA
- Materials for Energy Storage and Conversion Action Plan released 2023

- >100 investment cases screened
 - > 40 can be de-risked and advanced to bankable stage
 - > 20 billion € investment value





EU Raw Materials Strategic Partnerships

CRMA Board

- Coordination of existing Strategic Partnerships within international Forums and Initiatives
- Consideration and advance of new Strategic Partnerships
- → diversify the EU's supply of critical raw materials and enhance cooperation with third countries

















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