

## European Strategic Autonomy depends on Raw Materials

Together for Raw Materials Value Chains #MadeInEurope





## Bringing together a common view in Europe

EUMICON is a voice for the industries that are the back-bone of Europe's prosperity and the foundation of its future and to a carbon neutral continent. EUMICON is a European-wide platform covering the entire value chain of mineral resources and metals industries from extracting to processing and refining via manufacturing, all the way to recycling. We aim to strengthen the competitiveness of the European industry and thus ensure keeping value chains in Europe. We are aware that a mutually beneficial cooperation with policymakers, NGO's, academia, and trade unions is vital to achieve resilience and sustainability in Europe.

EUMICON is Europe's strong platform outlining Europe's challenges and opportunities in the field of raw materials. Through high-level events, bilateral meetings, delegation trips and workshops, we facilitate strategic discussion processes and collaborations among various stakeholders. EUMICON is a proactive player in safeguarding economic prosperity, ensuring competitiveness, and fostering technological innovation. Raw materials are the basis of a sustainable future for our continent, guarantors of current and future jobs, and thereby the key for social cohesion in our societies.

### **EUMICON Values**



### **Togetherness**

Fostering cooperation between stakeholders to find common solutions



Skills & education
Coherent EU industrial policies



### Sustainability

Building a European industrial sovereignty in line with the Green Deal



Strategic Autonomy Investments & funding



### Resilience

Advocating for resilient value chains in Europe



Access to Raw Materials
Affordable energies

# What do we need for a sustainable, resilient and competitive Europe?

COVID-19 pandemic, Russia's invasion of Ukraine and the following energy crisis have shown Europe's urgent need to take concrete actions for ensuring Europe's industrial and economic sovereignty while successfully achieving the green and digital transition. This is why we need to:

- → Secure affordable energy prices, which are highly impacting in the value chain.
- Work on a legislative framework for a competitive and resilient European industry.
- → Form strategic partnerships with non-EU countries for an equal level-playing field.
- Foster a circular economy for a sustainable European and global society.

Within this context, we will support experts in the mineral and metal resources industry to find targeted solutions for a sustainable, competitive and resilient Europe.

### Promoting European raw materials value chains

Promoting European industrial value chains plays a crucial role in the achievement of EU-wide and global climate and sustainability goals, and it is the key to preserving European competitiveness. In the light of the energy crisis, our common efforts need to be pooled to ensure energy availability at competitive prices. The still high and volatile prices of energy have outlined the negative effects of disproportional dependencies and must be understood as a wake-up call to make European raw materials value chains more resilient.

#MadeInEurope is at the heart of keeping our key value chains in Europe and ensuring a rapid transition to renewables, thereby also strengthening our strategic autonomy. We must ensure the availability of raw materials, base metals, and minerals in today's Europe through fast-track permitting procedures at European and national level. For raw materials that must be imported, especially critical raw materials, agreements on fair trade relations are necessary. In addition, resilience must be strengthened by reducing dependencies on individual, dominant partner countries.

### Value chains



### **ENERGY**

- Minerals and metals are securing a stable renewable energy supply (incl. hydrogen)
- Mineral resources are the enablers of the energy transition which comes along with a doubling in demand for base materials as well as critical raw materials
- Ensuring competitive prices for affordable and green energy will reduce the dependencies, increase investments and ensures a level-playing field.



### **DIGITISATION**

- Securing strategic and critical raw materials supplies enables the production of European technologies, as well as Europe's strategic autonomy.
- → Clean technologies allow Europe's digital and green transitions.
- → Having a legislative framework in place enhances productivity and coherence.



#### **MOBILITY**

- → Taking trade actions to ensure a level-playing field in the raw material supply.
- Working on a coherent regulatory framework guaranteed by policymakers needs to be at the heart for the industrial policy.
- → Mineral resources are the enablers of the sustainable mobility transformation and need access to critical raw materials.

### Join us today to:



- Take part in exclusive high-level events and workshops and share best practices and solutions for raw materials value chains made in Europe.
- changes, industry trends and new technologies in the field of raw materials through our website and media channels.

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