## What is the ETP-SMR?

The European Technology Platform on Sustainable Mineral Resources was established in 2005 and officially recognized as an ETP initiative by the European Commission in 2008.

Our mission is to develop long-term European Mineral Resource Industries Research and Innovation agendas and roadmaps for action at EU and national level.

## Why should you join the ETP-SMR?

- Meet with stakeholders from the minerals industry and metallurgy, technology and machinery providers, the research community, regulators, consumers, associations, and civil society centred around the major technological challenges of the raw materials sector.
- Gain visibility and recognition from the European Commission (DG GROW), our key contact in defining research strategy priorities and innovation actions in the Mineral Resources sector, as well as the broader EU industry and policy community, particularly through our participation in strategic events such as Raw Materials Week, where ETP SMR is invited to participate and propose speakers.
- ➤ Be a part of our ETP SMR Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA), established and driven by our members and defining their vision of the future challenges and highlighting current needs and gaps. The SRIA serves as an input to the European Commission's research programmes (currently Horizon Europe), highlighting topics that need to be addressed within the multiannual work programme on raw materials, including calls and partnerships.
- Engagement with strategic partners in the RM R&I sector, including a close cooperation with exploration and mining companies and industries from the private sector, as well as the national Geological Surveys of Europe from the public sector.
- Access latest news in the mineral resources sector concerning research and innovation projects and European policy.
- Provide input into the framing of strategic position papers on issues of key relevance to the Raw Materials sector and to implementation of EU policy and legislation. Our joint action offers an opportunity for a stronger voice to communicate the needs of the RM sector.
- Preferential access to an established network of partners for collaboration in raw materials research and innovation projects.
- Become part of a larger community and gain visibility on the European stage.

## How to join us?

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