



# MINE.THE.GAP

The EU H2020 **MINE.THE.GAP** project aims to improve the competitiveness of small and medium-sized enterprises, SMEs, in the raw materials and mining sectors through cross-sectoral and cross-regional innovation and support services.

# OUR MISSION

We are developing a support platform to SMEs for strengthening existing value chains and establishing new industrial value chains in the raw materials and mining sectors.



## OUR APPROACH



### Collaboration

Generate new services, solutions and products through cross-sectoral and cross-regional collaborations.



### Funding

Direct financial support for product and service innovations of SMEs from raw materials and mining sectors in partner countries.



### Support

Offer support services including matchmaking, demonstrating best practices, and mentoring.



Circular Economy



Advanced Manufacturing



Information & Communication Technology



Resource Efficiency



# INNOSUP Initiative

**MINE.THE.GAP** is funded under the INNOSUP Initiative which aims to develop new cross-sectoral industrial value chains across the EU by building upon the innovation potential of SMEs. Hence, INNOSUP promotes collaboration, innovation and entrepreneurship across different regions and value chains.

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## **Geokompetenzzentrum Freiberg e.V.**

As an industry led cluster originated in Saxony, GKZ promotes further development of the raw materials value chains by supporting the exchange of experiences between industry, administration and science. At the same time, GKZ promotes the formation of networks and partnerships to identify and achieve synergy from the regional to the EU levels.

## **GKZ in MINE.THE.GAP**

We help German SMEs in raw materials or mining sector finding new solutions by connecting them with ICT, circular economy, resource efficiency and advanced manufacturing sectors in different part of the Europe. The collaboration is solidified by creating and implementing joint projects funded by **MINE.THE.GAP**.

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