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European Expert Network on Critical Raw Materials

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SCRREEN3 PROJECT

TO STRENGTHEN EUROPE'S CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS STRATEGY

As the follow-up of SCRREEN2, aligned with the global EU strategy and in particular the CRM Act, SCRREEN3 aims at continuing to flexibly support the Commission in policy making related to Critical Raw Materials and improve data and knowledge on all screened raw materials of the CRM 2023 assessment exercise.

OBJECTIVES

- ➔ Strengthening expert capacity to support the Commission in the analysis of the future supply and demand of raw materials, technology gaps and innovation potential along the raw materials value chains.
- ➔ Improving EU data and knowledge on all screened raw materials.
- ➔ Flexibly support the Commission in policy making related to CRMs in general or linked to specific applications or sectors: as well in relevant events organized by the Commission.
- ➔ Clustering activities with other relevant selected projects and raising awareness.

WHAT ARE CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS?

Raw materials are crucial to Europe's economy and essential to maintaining and improving our quality of life. Securing reliable and unhindered access to certain raw materials is a growing concern within the EU and across the globe.

To address this challenge, the European Commission has created a list of Critical Raw Materials (CRMs). CRMs combine a high economic importance for the EU with a high risk associated with their supply. Examples of CRMs include rare earth elements, cobalt and niobium.

Periodically, the European Commission publishes a list of CRMs based on a criticality assessment at EU level on a wide range of raw materials.

The SCRREEN Network is operated by the Europe SCRREEN3 Project.

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The consortium comprises 15 partners and 8 affiliated entities from 12 countries.



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