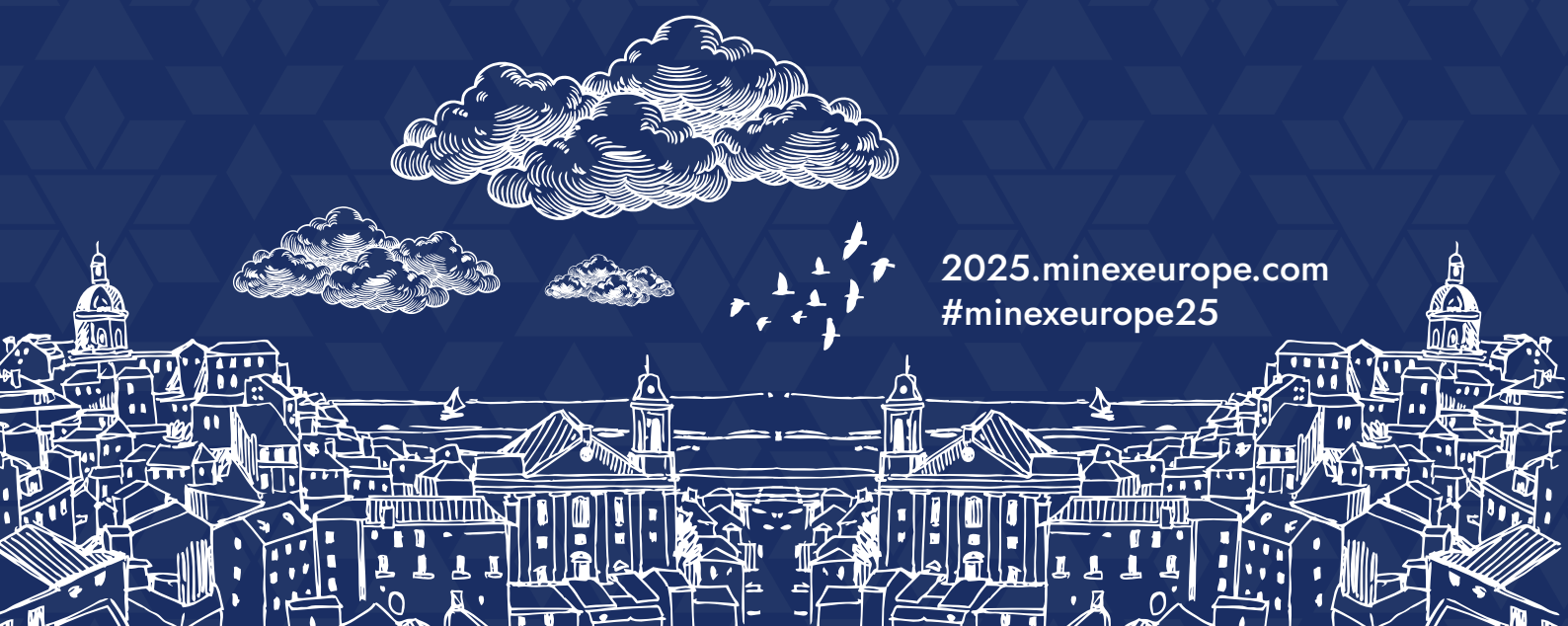


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**08:30 - Registration and
08:50 Welcome coffee**

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exhibition area

**08:50 - Keynotes
09:30**

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Presenters
08:50 - Opening session
- Welcome addresses
Arthur Poliakov
Executive Chairman
MINEX Forum

09:00 - Lead markets
for a stronger Europe
**Joaquim Nunes de
Almeida**
Director in charge
of "Decarbonisation,
Mobility, Raw Materials"
European Commission

09:05 - Welcoming
Remarks
João Rui Ferreira
Secretary of State for
Economy
Portuguese Republic

09:15 - Tracking the
Changes within the
Re-emergence of Europe's
Mining Industry
Martin Pittuck Corporate
Consultant (Mining
Geology) SRK Consulting
(UK)

09:25 - Government
Keynote
Lisa Bandari
His Majesty's Ambassador
to Portugal and Cape
Verde. British Embassy
Lisbon

**09:30 - Session 1
10:10 "Made in Europe":
Securing Critical
Raw Minerals for a
Sustainable Future**

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Moderator

Rui Botica Santos
Senior partner
Coelho Ribeiro e
Associados (CRA)

Presenters

09:30 - Closing the Gap:
Aligning Europe's Metal
Production with Climate
Goals

Jason Holden
Senior Mining Analyst
S&P Global Commodity
Insights

09:40 - EITI
Implementation in Europe:
Transparency and Multi-
Stakeholder Engagement
in the Mineral Sector

Mark Burnett
Europe Regional Director
The Extractive Industries
Transparency Initiative
(EITI)

09:50 - The role of
subnational governments
in the implementation of
the Critical Raw Materials
Act

Andres Sanabria
Coordinator
OECD

10:00 - Europe's Mineral
Sector: A Call for
Pragmatic Regulation

Bernhard Maier
Partner
Browne Jacobson

**10:10 - Fireside chat
10:30 Friendshoring in action:
aligning Uzbekistan's
critical raw materials
with Europe's
technological resources
and supply chains**

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Moderator

Rebecca Burton
Deputy Director
Initiative for Responsible
Mining Assurance (IRMA)

Panellist

Han Ilhan
Advisor to the Chairman
of the Board
Uzbekistan Technological
Metals Complex (TMK)

**10:30 - Mid-morning coffee
11:00 break**

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**11:00 - Session 2
13:00 From Exploration to
Extraction: The New Era
of Sustainable Mining in
Portugal**

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Moderator

Luís Martins
President of the Board
Cluster Portugal Mineral
Resources

Presenters

11:00 - The importance
of raw materials and of
the CRMA in Europe and
Portugal in a complex
geopolitical world

António Costa Silva
Former Minister of
Economy and Maritime
Affairs of Portugal

11:15 - 19 initiatives for
implement the CRMA in
Portugal

Patrícia Falé
Director, Mineral
Resources
DGE - The Directorate-
General for Energy and
Geology of Portugal

11:30 - Critical Raw Materials in Portugal: A Strategic Vision from the Geological Survey

Daniel de Oliveira
Researcher / Head of Unit
LNEG - Laboratório Nacional de Energia e Geologia

11:40 - Just Transition in Mining: Leadership of the Portuguese State in Territorial Recovery and Valorization

Zélia Estevão
Member of the Board
EDM-Empresa de Desenvolvimento Mineiro, SA

11:50 - Ornamental Stones: A Strategic Sector for Portugal – The Sustainable Stone by Portugal Project

Marta Peres
Executive Manager
Associação Cluster Portugal Mineral Resources

Panel discussion
Critical and Strategic Raw Materials in Portugal - Copper

Panellists

Mário Cândido
Technical Director of Mining Resources
Boliden Somincor

Humberto Leite
CEO Almina Minas do Alentejo

João Barros
CEO Ascendant Resources

Panel discussion
Critical and Strategic Raw Materials in Portugal - Tungsten

Panellists

António Correa de Sá
Executive Director
Beralt Tin and Wolfram Portugal

Vítor Arezes
Vice President Exploration
Allied Critical Metals

Panel discussion
Critical and Strategic Raw Materials in Portugal - Lithium

Panellists

John Morris Pereira
Exploration Manager
Savannah Resources

Ricardo Pinheiro
CEO
Lusorecursos Portugal
Lithium

Panel discussion
Critical and Strategic Raw Materials in Portugal - Feldspar

Panellists

Brendan Clifford
Co-CEO
Mota Ceramic Solutions (MCS)

14:00 - 16:00 - **Session 3**
Powering the Future: Lithium & Battery Material Supply Chains in Europe
Lagoas hall

Moderator

Kruthika Anastasia Bala
Managing Director
Resources Now

Presenters

14:00 - Global Critical Minerals Outlook 2025

Eric Buisson
Analyst - World Energy Outlook
International Energy Agency

14:10 - Lithium in a legacy landscape: Water as the driver for project planning

David Hoekstra
Principal Consultant (Water Resources Engineer)
SRK Consulting

14:20 - Lithium: Demand and Challenges - Now and 2040

Astrid Karamira
Sustainability and Governance Manager
International Lithium Association (ILiA)

14:30 - Why Lithium Is an Opportunity for Portugal and Iberia

Alexandre Lima
Associate Professor
University of Porto - FCUP

13:00 - 14:00 - **Lunch**

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14:40 - Romano Mine

Jorge Costa Oliveira
Board Member
Lusorecursos Portugal
Lithium

14:50 - The Mineral
Resource at the Beauvoir
lithium deposit, France

Jurgen Fuijschot
Director Mining and
Resources - Project Emili
Imerys

15:05 - Geothermal lithium
in Alsace at the heart of the
energy transition in France

Romain Millot
Scientific Director
Lithium de France

15:20 - BGV Group
Management. Mining
Projects Investment

Vita Khizhniak
Head of Foreign Economic
Activity
BGV Group Management

16:00 - Afternoon coffee break
16:20

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16:20 -
17:20

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Session 4
Europe's Mining
Dilemma: Aligning
Mineral Needs with
Environmental and
Social Imperatives

Moderator

Filipa Marques Da Silva
Vicente Partner
ERM

Presenters

16:20 - Opportunities
and challenges for a
renaissance of responsible
mining in EU

James Watson
Director General
Eurometaux

16:30 - Challenges to
Social License to Operate
in Southern Europe
Mining Projects

Marcos Gallego
Partner
ERM

16:40 - Co-Creation
in Lieu of Consultation:
Lessons Learned from
Building the Most Trusted
Assessment System for
Mining

Rebecca Burton
Deputy Director
Initiative for Responsible
Mining Assurance (IRMA)

16:50 - Mining in
environmentally protected
areas: from public
opposition to public
support

Vitor Correia
Secretary General
International Raw Materials
Observatory

17:00 - Mineral rich
countries - curse or
opportunity

Dragan Milosevic
President
Geological and Mining
Association of Serbia

17:20 -
18:00

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Fireside Chat
Inclusivity, Social
License to Operate,
and the Future of
Sustainable Raw
Materials in Europe

Moderator

Vitor Correia
Secretary General
International Raw Materials
Observatory

Presenters

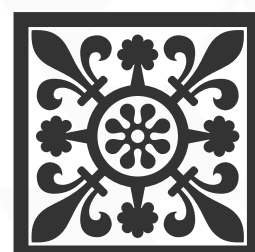
Sarah Gordon
Professor of Practice
Imperial College London

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Peter Tom Jones
Director KU Leuven
Institute for Sustainable
Metals and Minerals
KU Leuven

18:00 - Networking drinks
19:00

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08:30 - Welcome coffee
09:00

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exhibition area

09:00 - Session 5
10:10 **Financing the next
generation of mining
projects in Europe**

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Moderator

Aleksandra Cholewa
Director of Investment and
Development
Luma Holding

Presenters

09:00 - Who will Finance
the next generation of
Europe's critical minerals
supply and what are the
implications?

Artem Volynets
Founder, Chairman and
CEO
ACG Metals Limited

09:10 - Bridging the Gap
in Early-Stage Exploration:
From PERC and UNFC
to TNFD - Reducing Risk
and Enhancing Investment
Readiness Through
Integrated Reporting

Luis Chambel
Member; Managing
Partner
IMEB; Sínese

09:20 - Protection of
foreign investments in the
mining sector

Markus Burgstaller
Partner
Hogan Lovells

Panellists

Stephan Pueschel
Co-Head Metals & Mining
KfW IPEX-Bank

Benedikt Sobotka
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Alpha Future Funds

Stefan Mueller
CEO
DGWA

Axel Kalinowski
Head of Central and
Southern Europe
London Stock Exchange

Artem Volynets
Founder, Chairman and
CEO
ACG Metals Limited

Michael Zlobin
Equity Portfolio Manager
European Bank for
Reconstruction and
Development (EBRD)

10:10 - Fireside chat
10:30 **Mining - Why It's
Essential for a
Sustainable Future?**

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Moderator

Ros Lund
International Mining
Professional

Presenter

10:10 - Mining: Why It's
Essential for a Sustainable
Future?

Timothy Biggs
Adviser and Author
Grainge Advisory

10:30 - Mid-morning coffee
11:00 **break**

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11:00 - Session 6
13:00 **Meeting Europe's Raw
Materials Needs from
Primary and Secondary
Sources**

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Moderator

Martina Bassan
Head of Communications
EUROMETAUX

Presenters

11:00 - The innovation
imperative: Bridging the
supply-demand gap for
critical raw materials by
2030

Alena Kudzko
Executive Director
GLOBSEC US Foundation

11:10 - From Extraction to
Circularity: Reimagining
Europe's Critical Raw
Materials Future

Wen-Yu Weng
Executive Lead (Global),
Critical Raw Materials
Ellen MacArthur
Foundation

11:20 - Recycling
Copper: Global Trends
and the Future of a
Circular Industry

Fernando Acosta
Director Economics and
ENvironment
International Copper
Study Group

11:30 - Magnesium Metal:
Strategic Relevance and
Outlook for Europe

Martin Wolfgang Tauber
European Representative
International Magnesium
Association

11:40 - Iberian Belt West
exploration project, the
most recent success
exploration story in
southern Europe.

**Joaquín Jesús Merino
Márquez**
President & Director
Emerita Resources Corp.

11:55 - Building Europe's
Backbone: Sustainable
Magnesia & Circular
Refractories

Constantin Beelitz
President - Europe & CIS
RHI Magnesita

12:10 - Geology,
Geometallurgy and
Metallurgy of the Arthrath
Ni-Cu-Co Deposit,
Aberdeenshire, Scotland

Andrew Bamber
Managing Director
Bara Consulting

12:25 - BLOOM project
- Liberation analysis for
optimizing extraction and
processing of CRMs

Marko Komac
Board Member
INTRAW Observatory

12:35 - Unlocking Value
in Underground Mining:
The More We Know, The
More Complex It Gets

Manuel Silva Balocchi
Mining Consultant
SRK Consulting (UK)

13:00 - Lunch
14:00

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14:00 - Session 7
**14:50 Mine to Market 4.0:
Digital Innovation in
Raw Materials Supply
Chain Management**

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Moderator

**Arturo Gutiérrez
del Olmo**
Technical Director
(Mine Waste and Tailings)
SLR Consulting

Presenters

14:00 - From Mine to
Manufacturer: Digital
Product Passports in
Action

Ella Cullen
Cofounder & CMO
Minespider

14:10 - Mining's
Digital Inflection
Point: AI, Vendor Data
Centralization & the Future
of Technology Adoption

Lorelei Ratuszniak
Director, Mining Relations
Mining Innovation
Commercialization
Accelerator (MICA)

14:20 - Digital Planning
in Mining to Better
Decisions on OPEX and
CAPEX

Michael Machado
CEO
EYF - Experience your
Future

14:30 - Digital
technologies for
integrated mine planning,
scheduling, and
management in small to
medium-sized mines

Mahdi Shabanimashcool
Senior researcher
Norwegian Geotechnical
Institute (NGI)

14:50 - Technical break
15:00

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15:00 - Session 8
**16:10 Invisible Mining:
Addressing EU Raw
Material Challenges
Through Technological
Innovation**

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Moderator

Richard Elmer
Director
Knight Piesold

Presenters

15:00 - Tailings
re-mining and progressive
restoration as suitable
forms to reduce mining
impact

Joao Verde
Senior Geotechnical
Engineer
Knight Piésold

15:10 - Low impact mine
proposals, and why they
are the key to developing
mines in Europe

David O'Connor
Consulting Partner
ERM

15:25 - Breaking Ground, Not the Planet: Decarbonization in Mining Studies

Sean Kautzman
Principal Consultant (Mining)
SRK Consulting

15:35 - 25 years of Environmental Remediation of Former Mining Areas in Portugal – Challenges, Achievements and Sustainability for the Future

Carlos Martins
Technical Director
EDM - Empresa de Desenvolvimento Mineiro

15:45 - A Pioneering Project of Mine Rehabilitation of Sulphide-rich Ore Deposits Based on Geomorphic Solutions Coupled with AMD Chemical Stabilization at Lousal Mine, Portugal

Alvaro Pinto
Executive Director
Centro Ciência Viva do Lousal - Mina de Ciência | Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa

16:30 - 18:10 - **Session 9**
Mining Reimagined: A Sustainable Blueprint for Europe's Raw Material Independence
Lagoas hall

Moderator

John Merry
Principal Environmental Scientist
SRK Consulting (UK)

Presenters

16:30 - Processing Aspects in securing Defence Raw Material

Christian Graf
Director Processing Division
ANZAPLAN

16:45 - Innovation across the Mining Cycle: Tackling Europe's Raw Material Challenges

Frank Browning
Principal Resource Geologist
SLR Consulting

17:00 - Optimizing Plant Infrastructure: Installation of a New Ball Mill on Existing Foundations

Dominik Schoenegger
Product Line Manager - Mining
Christian Pfeiffer Maschinenfabrik

17:15 - Solutions to improve production and energy efficiency of concentrators

Esko Tahkola
Business Development Manager, Europe
CiDRA Minerals Processing

17:25 - The Canadian Mining Innovation Ecosystem

Charles Chamirai Nyabeze
Executive Vice President and Network Director
Centre for Excellence in Mining Innovation

17:35 - Minotaur: The way forward towards more innovative sustainable exploration

Aurela Shtiza
Director - Industrial Affairs & Raw Materials
IMA-Europe

17:45 - Beyond the Drill: SpotMine's Data Engine for the New Era of Mineral Exploration

Filipa Dias
Exploration Geologist
SpotMine

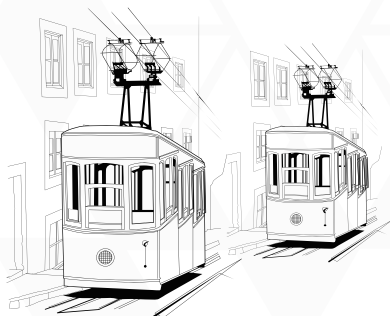
18:10 - 18:30 - **Closing speech**

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Presenter

Jean Barroca
Deputy Minister for Energy
Ministry of Environment and Energy of the Portuguese Republic

16:10 - 16:30 - **Afternoon coffee break**

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