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Today's publication of the EU's Strategic Projects list under the Critical Raw Materials Act is a major step towards raw materials resilience

Brussels, 25 March 2025 - With 47 mining projects selected, this milestone marks a significant step toward fostering a more resilient and secure supply of the critical raw materials essential for Europe's green and digital transitions, as well as the aerospace and defence sectors.

The selected strategic projects listed [link](#), aim to contribute to the stability and security of Europe's industrial supply chains while fostering responsible mining, processing, and recycling. This aligns with the broader objective of reducing strategic dependencies and enhancing economic resilience of the European bloc.

"Raw materials are essential to Europe's industrial strength, enabling modern technologies, clean energy solutions, and both economic and defence resilience. To make these strategic projects a success, we must deliver efficient permitting, investment incentives, and innovation-driven solutions. Europe must be honest about its raw materials needs and its own contribution to sustain strategic value chains." – Rolf Kuby, Euromines Director General.

As the official list of strategic projects is published today, Euromines will continue to advocate for policies that support investment in domestic raw material production, innovation in extraction and processing technologies, and the highest environmental and social standards in the industry. Euromines calls on Member States and related national authorities to speed up permitting procedures. Only with the strong commitment of all involved actors including civil society this list of strategic represent success.

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