

# Second Call for applications for Strategic Projects under the Critical Raw Materials Act

To whom : **SRMs** Project Promoters Worldwide

Call started: **25 September 2025**

Call closes on: **15 January 2026**

Next Info Day: **9 October 10:00 – 12:00 (ART)**

# What are Strategic Raw Materials (SRMs)

## 17 RAW MATERIALS DEFINED AS STRATEGIC (out of a list of 34 Critical ones) BY THEIR HIGH

- Economic importance
  - Supply risk/ Strong projected demand growth
  - Use in strategic technologies (Energy & Digital transitions, Defense and Aerospace)
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- Antimony
  - Arsenic
  - **Bauxite/Aluminium**
  - Baryte
  - Beryllium
  - **Bismuth**
  - **Boron**
  - **Cobalt**
  - Coking Coal
  - **Copper**
  - Feldspar
  - Fluorspar
  - **Gallium**
  - **Germanium**
  - Hafnium
  - Helium
  - **Heavy Rare Earth Elements**
  - **Light Rare Earth Elements**
  - **Lithium**
  - **Magnesium**
  - **Manganese**
  - **Graphite (Natural and synthetic)**
  - **Nickel – battery grade**
  - Niobium
  - Phosphate rock
  - Phosphorus
  - **Platinum Group Metals**
  - Scandium
  - **Silicon metal**
  - Strontium
  - Tantalum
  - **Titanium metal**
  - **Tungsten**
  - Vanadium

# EU Quantitative Goals by 2030

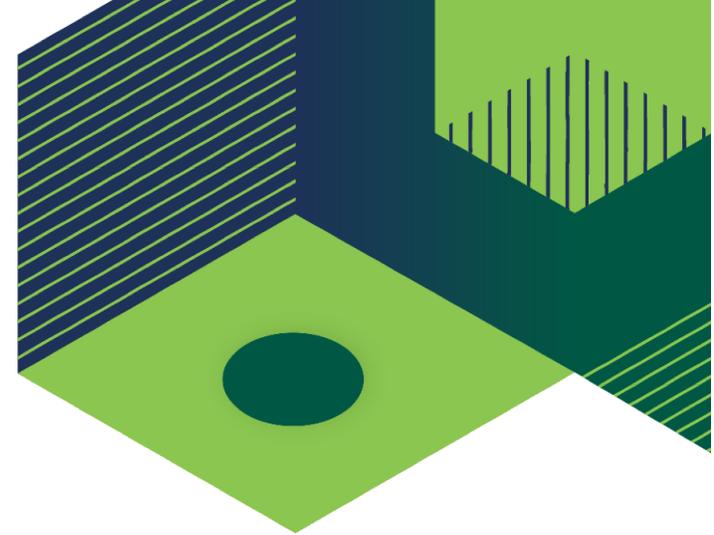
## 2030 BENCHMARKS

### Towards more SRM supply security

- EU's extraction capacity to cover at least **10%** of the EU's SRM consumption
- EU's processing capacity to cover at least **40%** of the EU's SRM consumption
- EU's recycling capacity to cover at least **25%** of the EU's SRM consumption

### Towards more diversification of supply

- Not more than **65%** of EU consumption of each SRM should come from a single third country.



# Strategic Projects: Selection Criteria & Benefits

## Selection criteria

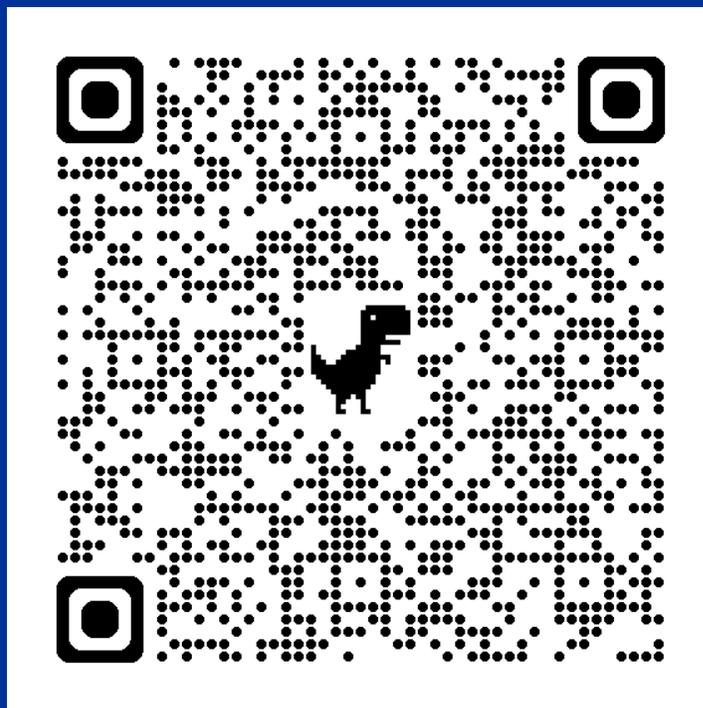
- Meaningful Contribution to EU security of supply (quantitative goals by 2030)
- Sustainability (environmental, social and governance)
- Technical & Financial feasibility
- Value-added at origin and in Europe
- Start production by 2030

## Selected-projects benefits

- Coordinated support for access to European finance
- Support to connect with relevant off-takers
- Strategic project communication (seal of quality)
- Administrative support – single point of contact (SPOC)



# Where to find more information and submit your application?



**Link:** [https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/sectors/raw-materials/areas-specific-interest/critical-raw-materials/strategic-projects-under-crma\\_en](https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/sectors/raw-materials/areas-specific-interest/critical-raw-materials/strategic-projects-under-crma_en)