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UK GOV UNVEILS £50M CRITICAL MINERALS PROGRAMME

The UK Government has set out further details of its Critical Minerals Programme, which will provide £50 million to support domestic capabilities and supply chain resilience.

The programme is built around three pillars: the Magnet Hub, the Critical Minerals Accelerator, and the Demand Aggregation Platform. It includes £20 million for a national rare earth permanent magnet facility, £25 million in grant funding through the Critical Minerals Accelerator, and work to develop a platform that can consolidate UK industry demand and support strategic offtake agreements.

The programme is intended to help deliver the UK's Critical Minerals Strategy and support growth sectors across the Industrial Strategy, including clean energy, advanced manufacturing, and defence. The latest update also confirms that pre-market engagement has opened for the Demand Aggregation Platform, with registration closing on 14 September.

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NATIONAL WEALTH FUND INVESTS £71M IN TUNGSTEN WEST

On 25 August, the UK Government backed Tungsten West's Hemerdon tungsten and tin mine in south Devon through a reported investment offering of up to £71 million from the National Wealth Fund (NWF).

The funding is intended to support the revival of the mine, which contains one of Europe's largest tungsten deposits and is expected to play an important role in strengthening the UK's access to critical minerals. Reports suggest the government would receive an equity stake in Tungsten West alongside other debt financing arrangements, as well as rights to up to 50% of the mine's annual tungsten output.

The investment reflects the growing strategic importance of domestic critical minerals production and aligns with the government's wider focus on reindustrialisation, supply chain resilience, and reducing reliance on concentrated overseas sources.

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3RD CRITICAL MINERALS CAREERS FAIR 2026

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The CMA (UK), in partnership with the Natural History Museum and SRK Consulting, are delighted to invite students, parents & teachers from across the UK to the 3rd edition of the Critical Minerals Career Fair on 30 September 2026 at the Natural History Museum in London.

This event aims to inspire the next generation of talent, showcasing the many career opportunities in the UK's critical minerals sector with careers talks from young professionals, an exhibition floor with future employers, and other fun activities such as a documentary screening, a treasure hunt, and guided tours of the iconic Minerals Gallery.

Tickets are totally free and can be booked below.

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U.S. BANS EXPORT OF TUNGSTEN & BATTERY WASTE

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On 6 August, the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) issued a temporary final rule introducing a one-year ban on exports of tungsten scrap and recycled battery materials - also known as black mass.

The measures are to come into effect on 27 August. Comments on the rule will be accepted for 21 days, and some suppliers may be eligible to apply for exemptions during the 1-year period.

The policy is intended to retain valuable secondary resources within the U.S. for domestic processing and manufacturing, helping to strengthen supply chains for critical minerals used in defence, advanced manufacturing, and clean energy technologies. It follows U.S. President Donald Trump's Executive Order restricting certain industrial waste exports.

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ONTARIO PREMIER CALLS FOR MINERALS CUTOFF TO U.S.

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Canada-US trade negotiations broke down on 21 August, triggering new 50% tariffs on Canadian exports to the U.S.

According to Investing News Network, critical minerals were among the issues discussed during the talks, with reports that the U.S. had sought right of first refusal over critical minerals mined in Canada. While oil and gas, potash and other minerals are currently excluded from the new tariffs, the breakdown has raised concerns over the future direction of Canada-US resource cooperation.

Ontario Premier Doug Ford suggested that cutting off exports of electricity and critical minerals should remain on the table in response to U.S. pressure. The threat to cut critical mineral exports — including high-grade nickel and refined uranium — in response to U.S. tariffs shows how quickly critical minerals can become a bargaining chip even between close allies.

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UK GOV LAUNCHES ELIGIBILITY & GUIDANCE FOR BICS

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The UK Government has launched the eligibility checker and business guidance for the British Industrial Competitiveness Scheme (BICS), a key measure under the Industrial Strategy designed to help reduce electricity costs for UK manufacturers.

From April 2027, more than 10,000 businesses are expected to benefit from electricity bill reductions of up to 25%, supporting industrial competitiveness, investment, and job creation across the country.

Ahead of applications opening on 1 October 2026, businesses can now use the eligibility checker on GOV.UK to understand whether they may qualify and what information they will need to apply. A business information webinar will also take place on Wednesday 9 September to help companies prepare for the application process.

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WELCOMING ASCENSION TO THE ASSOCIATION

We are delighted to welcome Ascension to the association!

Ascension offers a new and better way to source critical minerals from the earth, using a unique new process which respects the environment and communities.

The company is focused on unlocking a vast new global supply of rare earths – including heavy rare earths – contained in volcanic rock. The process is rapid to deploy and is CAPEX and OPEX light. It is powered by natural geothermal heat. In-situ technology means large-scale mining operations are not required, and significant volumes of waste are avoided.

Ascension has world-leading domain knowledge, and is spun out of Oxford University in 2024. Investors include Oxford Science Enterprises, East X Ventures, Global Brain, the UK Innovation & Science Seed Fund, and the Grantham Foundation for the Protection of the Environment.

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CORNISH LITHIUM SECURES £7.2M IN DRIVE35 FUNDING

On 10th August, Cornish Lithium announced that they have secured £7.2 million in grant funding through the UK Government's DRIVE35 programme. The funding will contribute towards their £14.5m drilling and testing programme at the Cross Lanes Geothermal Lithium Project, as well as support further appraisal drilling at Baldhu, near Truro.

The UK Government's DRIVE35 programme is delivered by the Department for Business, Innovation, Science and Trade (BIST) in partnership with the Advanced Propulsion Centre UK (APC) and Innovate UK.

"This grant is further recognition that Cornwall is at the heart of the UK's clean energy ambitions," said Jamie Airnes, CEO of Cornish Lithium.

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the UK Government's
DRIVE35 Scale-Up Fund



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CAML INVESTS £1.15M IN ABERDEEN MINERALS

On 25 August, Aberdeen Minerals announces a new £1.15 million investment into the Company agreed with its largest shareholder, London-based mining company Central Asia Metals Plc ("CAML").

The funds will be invested in a Phase 4 regional exploration programme to widen the search for domestic critical minerals across new targets identified in the prospective geology of Aberdeenshire. The Company is exploring North East Scotland for nickel, copper and cobalt sulphide deposits in partnership with local landowners.

The new equity investment is to be made through the exercise by CAML of the final tranche of a share warrants package granted to CAML in June 2024.

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ALGERIA-UK CONFERENCE ON MINING

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The Algeria British Business Council (ABBC), in cooperation with the British Embassy in Algiers, Algerian Embassy in London, and Conseil du Renouveau Économique Algérien (CREA) is organising a major conference and B2B event for UK and Algerian companies.

The Algerian and UK Governments have identified mining as a high priority sector for bilateral cooperation. The event will take place on 13 October 2026 in Algiers, only 2 hours 30 minutes by air from London with daily flights.

The Critical Minerals Association (UK) is proud to be a partner organisation of this event. Several British companies have signed up and the British Geological Survey will also be in attendance.

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ALGERIA/UK CONFERENCE ON MINING ALGIERS, OCTOBER 13TH 2026



UOB UNVEILS RESEARCH ON GREENER PROCESSING

An article published on 13 August 2026 by researchers at the University of Birmingham has shown that greener processing can significantly reduce the cost of producing a novel material for removing heavy metals from industrial wastewater.

Using the freeze-drying process increased material yield more than threefold, reduced electricity demand by around 74%, and cut estimated production costs from around \$19/g to just over \$5/g, while maintaining strong lead-removal performance. The material removed more than 90% of lead within the first hour and has also been successfully tested on real-world water samples.

The researchers are now seeking industrial partners in mining, e-waste and water treatment to license the technology or co-develop pilot-scale trials.

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GREENROC ADVANCES AMITSOQ & ANODE PROGRAMMES

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GreenRoc Strategic Materials Plc is advancing its Amitsoq mine and active anode material programme, combining Phase III drilling in South Greenland with pilot-scale processing in Denmark.

The Hørsholm pilot plant is operational for micronisation and spheronisation, with around 1,000 kg of graphite concentrate processed across seven test runs. Its analytical laboratory has been commissioned, while purification-line equipment is en route for delivery by the end of September.

At Amitsoq, five Phase III holes have been completed and a sixth is underway. The first three intersected graphite layers up to 21.3 m true thickness, extending known mineralisation northwards. The programme is also collecting geotechnical and hydrogeological data for the planned Pre-Feasibility Study. Together, the mine and processing workstreams advance GreenRoc's pathway from high-grade resource to European battery-grade graphite supply.

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ARKADIAN COMPLETES MOTZFELD FIELD PROGRAMME

Arkadian Strategic Metals Plc has completed its 2026 field programme at the large-scale Motzfeldt Critical Metals Project in South Greenland, successfully delivering bulk sampling, hyperspectral and photogrammetry surveys, and environmental baseline studies.

4 bulk samples of approximately 600 kg each were collected from a mapped mineralised zone at the Aries resource area where rare earth and niobium mineralisation was confirmed. The samples are being shipped to the UK for metallurgical and mineral processing work.

Specialists TheiaX acquired spectra and imagery across Aries, Merino and Voskop, while BioApp completed ecological baseline surveys at future mine and infrastructure sites.

Together, the programme provides significant inputs for processing test work, deposit expansion and infrastructure assessment, strengthening the evidence base to advance Motzfeldt through the next stages of technical evaluation towards an exploitation licence application.

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ERM PUBLISHES SUSTAINABILITY REPORT 2026

On 14 July, ERM published its annual Sustainability Report, 'Regional Pathways to Global Impact', setting out how ERM has and is delivering impact for its clients, people, and communities over the latest fiscal year.

The report also includes the priorities shaping its business for the year ahead. Highlights include accelerating the transition to a low-carbon economy through the generation of 103 GW of renewable energy capacity; identifying 1.2 million kilotonnes of carbon emissions reduction opportunities for clients; and delivering more than 31,000 projects worldwide.

As the world's largest sustainability consultancy, ERM remains on track to meet its SBTi targets across Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions and to reach net-zero greenhouse gas emissions across its value chain by 2040.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AWARDS \$500M TO PROJECTS

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On 20 August, the U.S. Department of Energy announced \$500 million in funding for seven projects to strengthen domestic critical minerals and battery supply chains.

The funding aims to support projects across mineral processing, battery materials, manufacturing and recycling, as part of wider U.S. efforts to reduce reliance on foreign supply chains and build greater industrial resilience. It is the third round of grants under the DoE's Battery Materials Processing and Battery Manufacturing and Recycling programmes.

For the critical minerals sector, the announcement highlights the role of public funding in accelerating strategic projects and de-risking private investment. It also reinforces the importance of developing capability across the full value chain, from extraction and processing through to recycling and end-use manufacturing.

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SATARLA INTERACTIVE MINING HANDBOOK

Looking for a quick answer to a mining term, acronym or concept? Satarla have recently launched their Interactive Mining Handbook, a searchable online resource bringing together hundreds of mining terms, acronyms and concepts. It has grown out of years of delivering mining training and the questions they regularly hear from people working across different disciplines and stages of their careers.

It brings together a growing glossary of mining terminology, alongside explanations of key concepts, an interactive mining value chain, responsible mining framework and standards, and a gallery of mining images, all in one searchable online reference. Whether someone is new to mining or has worked in the industry for years, Satarla hope it's a resource that users will return to regularly.

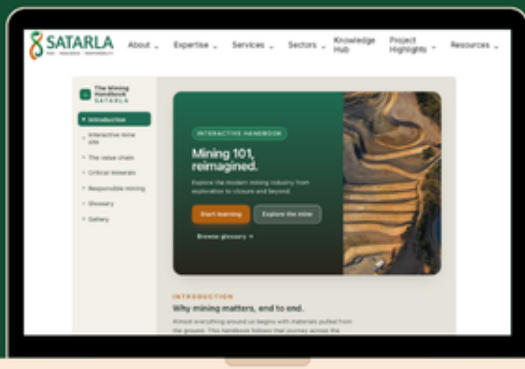
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The Critical Minerals Association (UK) is proud to be a Support Partner of the 2026 FT Metals & Mining Summit, taking place from 14–16 October 2026.

The summit will bring together leaders from across the mining, metals, investment and policy sectors to examine the geopolitical, technological and market forces shaping the future of critical minerals and global resource supply chains.

The Financial Times (FT) Metals & Mining Summit contributes to discussions on the growing strategic importance of critical minerals and the collaborative approaches needed to build secure, resilient, and responsible supply chains.

The 2026 programme will also feature a new Precious Metals Symposium, focusing on gold's growing role in global markets and the resulting impacts on pricing, investment strategies and risk management.

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INNOVATION FORUM CRITICAL MINERALS CONFERENCE 2026

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The CMA (UK) is proud to partner and speak at Innovation Forum's Critical Minerals Conference in London, taking place from 13 to 14 October 2026.

This two-day business conference convenes senior leaders across mining, manufacturing, finance, policy and civil society who recognise that collaboration is key to securing a sustainable critical minerals supply. Delegates are invited to discuss how responsibility can be embedded in a value chain where the downstream is far removed from extraction, data is fragmented, and geopolitics shapes supply decisions.

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iRECYCLE-MALAYSIA'S INUAGRAL YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER

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iRECYCLE-Malaysia's inaugural Year 1 Newsletter reflects on the achievements, partnerships and progress made during the first year of the consortium.

iRECYCLE-Malaysia aims to form genuine UK-Malaysia partnerships that transform electronic waste from a disposal problem into a domestic source of critical minerals. The initiative was launched in December 2024 after receiving £2.6 million in funding from UKRI.

Since then, the project has brought together chemists, engineers and social scientists across several universities such as Queen's University Belfast (QUB), Universiti Malaya (UM) and Universiti Teknologi Petronas (UTP).

Key achievements include hosting two symposiums, one in Malaysia and one in Northern Ireland, as well as public engagement & outreach work.

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iRECYCLE NEWSLETTER

A UK-Malaysia Partnership for
Sustainable Critical Metal Recovery



GEOLSOC HOSTS GEOFUTURES 2026: CRITICAL MINERALS

On 17 to 18 November, the Geological Society of London will host 'GeoFutures', their flagship conference series focusing on 21st century geoscience and solutions that geoscientists can offer to global challenges. The theme for 2026 is Critical Minerals as a crucial element of the Energy Transition.

The meeting will bring together the community working along the critical minerals value chain, and discuss new approaches that will inform the development of global critical minerals supply over the coming decade.

The meeting seeks to foster collaboration within a broad interdisciplinary group, cultivate networks and research partnerships, and spark innovative ideas to shape the response of geoscientists to future issues.

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NEWS ROUNDUP

The following news articles from Argus Media, Mining Weekly, Mining Magazine, Financial Times, and others, provide an overview of critical mineral mining for:

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- Copper
- Gallium
- Germanium
- Graphite
- Lithium
- Nickel
- Magnesium
- Rare Earth Elements
- Silicon
- Tin
- Tungsten
- Vanadium
- Zinc

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Cobalt

- Africa
 - Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) [30.07.26]
 - Cobalt exports from the DRC reportedly contaminated with uranium, raising health and nuclear security concerns.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - DRC [06.08.26]
 - The DRC bans copper and cobalt concentrate exports to promote domestic processing and value addition.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- North America
 - USA: Worley [03.08.26]
 - Worley wins contract to develop a US multi-metal processing hub including a cobalt refinery.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - Canada/Cuba: Glencore [10.08.26]
 - Glencore-backed investors bid to revive Sherritt's Alberta cobalt refinery and secure North American refining capacity outside China.
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- South America
 - Chile: Chilean Cobalt Corp. [17.08.26]
 - EXIM Bank considers up to \$375m in financing for Chilean Cobalt's cobalt-copper project to support US critical mineral supply chains.
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Copper

- Africa
 - Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) [30.07.26]
 - Cobalt exports from the DRC reportedly contaminated with uranium, raising health and nuclear security concerns.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - Zambia: Lusaka Securities Exchange [18.08.26]
 - Zambia's stock exchange expects companies to bring in up to \$1bn in IPOs following the election.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- North America
 - USA: Glencore [21.08.26]
 - Glencore targeting North American copper and nickel mines.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- South America
 - Peru: MMG [24.08.26]
 - MMG confirms reboot of operations at Las Bambas copper mine.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - Brazil: Solis Minerals [20.08.26]
 - Solis Minerals prepares for concentrated period of drilling across its lithium and copper portfolio in Brazil and Peru, prioritising the Brazil Lithium Project.
 - [Read the article here.](#)

Gallium

- Africa
 - Mozambique: NeoTerra Group [13.08.26]
 - NeoTerra achieves 85% gallium extraction at its Monte Muambe project in Mozambique.
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- North America
 - USA: METLEN [29.07.26]
 - METLEN signs long-term gallium supply deal with a US technology company.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - Canada: Volta Metals [10.08.26]
 - Volta Metals identifies gallium mineralisation extending 210m beyond its existing Springer resource in Ontario.
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Germanium

- Africa
 - DRC: Umicore [31.07.26]
 - Belgium backs advance payments for Umicore's DRC germanium supplies.
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- North America
 - USA: Lockheed Martin [10.08.26]
 - Lockheed negotiates long-term germanium supply with Teck Resources and 5N Plus.
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Graphite

- Asia
 - China [21.08.26]
 - Chinese exports of natural graphite to Japan fell by 62% compared to last year.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- Europe
 - Germany: EcoGraf [12.08.26]
 - Tanzanian graphite project announces German offtaker to double volume to 40,000 tonnes per annum (tpa).
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- North America
 - USA: Empire State Mines [25.08.26]
 - Empire State Mines progresses with first US graphite mine in years.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
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 - Latin America: Moody's [04.08.26]
 - Moody's warns that Latin America faces major challenges in critical minerals boom.
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- Oceania
 - Australia: International Graphite [25.08.26]
 - International Graphite announces up to \$32.4m (AUD) revenue potential for Collie graphite facility.
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Lithium

- Africa
 - Lithium Africa Corp (LAC) [25.08.26]
 - LAC stock climbs higher as exploration expands and battery metal demand improves market sentiment.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- Europe
 - Austria: European Lithium [24.08.26]
 - European Lithium nears vote on merger with Critical Metals.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - The Netherlands: TNO [07.08.26]
 - TNO highlights a gap in feedstock for Dutch lithium ion battery recycling ambitions.
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- South America
 - Argentina: Lithium Argentina [25.08.26]
 - Lithium Argentina announces \$180m funding from Ganfeng Lithium Group.
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 - Chile: Lithium Chile [18.08.26]
 - \$175m deal with China faces scrutiny from Canadian officials.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - The Lithium Triangle: WTW [19.08.26]
 - Insurance broker WTW warns of growing supply concentration risk in the Lithium Triangle.
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Magnesium

- Europe
 - The future of magnesium batteries [21.08.26]
 - Magnesium could potentially be a key alternative to lithium in Electric Vehicles.
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- North America
 - Record ridge definitive agreement [21.08.26]
 - A commercial agreement was achieved to delivery over 62,500 tons of magnesium ore over the coming years in British Columbia.
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Nickel

- Africa
 - South Africa: URU Metals [11.08.26]
 - URU Metals completes geological model for the Zeb nickel project in South Africa.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - Tanzania: Lifezone Metals [05.08.26]
 - Lifezone Metals selects Orion CMC as preferred partner to develop the Kabanga nickel project.
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- Asia
 - Indonesia [13.08.26]
 - Indonesian government announces grants for additional nickel ore production quotas.
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 - Canada: Canada Nickel [03.08.26]
 - Canada Nickel receives federal approval for the Crawford project in north-eastern Ontario.
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- South America
 - Brazil: Centaurus Metals [10.08.26]
 - Centaurus Metals approaches key development stage for Jaguar nickel-sulphide project in Brazil.
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Platinum Group Metals

- Africa

- South Africa: Valterra [01.07.26]
 - Valterra sees AI and data centres as major new growth driver for PGMs, with AI-related demand is estimated at 200k–400k oz annually.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- South Africa: African Rainbow Metals [21.08.26]
 - ARM expects earnings to rise 12% to 22% on higher platinum prices, ahead of its \$2bn Bokoni investment and Nkomati restart.
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- Europe

- United Kingdom [24.08.26]
 - The UK's zero-emission vehicle review could support palladium demand by extending the use of hybrids, and slowing the decline in automotive autocatalyst demand.
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- United Kingdom: World Platinum Investment Council (WPIC) [21.08.26]
 - WPIC sees positive long-term PGM outlook as persistent supply deficits, resilient hybrid/ICE demand, and growth in industrial, AI, and hydrogen applications outweigh limited recycling growth.
 - [Read the article here.](#)

Rare Earth Elements

- Africa
 - Namibia: Kendrick Resources Plc [10.08.26]
 - Kendrick Resources plc shares high-grade rare earth drill results at Teufelskuppe project.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- Europe
 - Russia [13.08.26]
 - Russian researchers discovers new rare earth minerals on the Kola Peninsula.
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- Middle East
 - Iran [12.08.26]
 - China launches scientific rare earth workshops with Iran, with plans to map Iran's Bafq iron-oxide-apatite belt.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- North America
 - Canada: REalloys [14.08.26]
 - REalloys confirms funding for an upgrade of their rare earth processing facility .
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- Oceania
 - Australia: Sunrise Energy Metals [08.08.26]
 - The US Department of Defense announces \$400 million investment in Australian rare earth mine.
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Silicon

- Asia
 - China [14.08.26]
 - Eight Chinese polysilicon manufacturers sign joint initiative to manage product prices.
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 - India [07.08.26]
 - India announces preparation of incentive scheme for domestic polysilicon manufacturing.
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 - The US government announces price floors and tariffs for polysilicon and derivative imports.
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 - United States: Sila [10.08.26]
 - Sila receives \$1.4 billion loan from US government to expand domestic production of silicon-carbon anodes and battery plants.
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- Oceania
 - Australia: Simcoa [04.08.26]
 - Australia's only silicon manufacturer expects exit from US market due to new import tariffs.
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Tin

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 - United Kingdom: London Metals Exchange (LME) [12.08.26]
 - LME tin prices stayed above US\$55,700/t in mid-August, while low stocks and rising forward prices pointed to a tighter tin market.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
- Asia
 - Indonesia [24.08.26]
 - Indonesia plans to launch a new commodity exchange on 1 January 2027 to improve price transparency and strengthen its influence over key exports such as nickel and tin.
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Tungsten

- Europe
 - France: Apollo Minerals [24.08.26]
 - Apollo Minerals expands its Couflens tungsten project, identifying new high-grade mineralisation zones around historic Salau mine.
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 - United Kingdom: Tungsten West [19.08.26]
 - The Hemerdon tungsten and tin Mine in south Devon is being recommissioned after eight years, following offer of investment from UK National Wealth Fund .
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Vanadium

- Asia
 - India: Delectrik Systems [21.07.26]
 - Delectrik Systems set to deploy India's first 100 MWh utility-scale vanadium redox flow battery project at Gujarat's Khavda Solar Park.
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- Europe
 - Northern Ireland: Queen's University Belfast (QUB) [20.07.26]
 - QUB researchers develop a low-cost iron-based flow battery design that could reduce reliance on vanadium.
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- Oceania
 - Australia: Critical Minerals Group [21.07.26]
 - Critical Minerals Group's pre-feasibility study for the Lindfield project in Queensland identifies a financially attractive development pathway, including a mine and vanadium electrolyte facility to support vanadium flow battery supply chains.
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 - Argentina: Jaguar Uranium [20.07.26]
 - Jaguar Uranium reports encouraging preliminary assay results from its Huemul project, with surface samples showing vanadium mineralisation.
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Zinc

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 - China [21.08.26]
 - Zinc prices being driven up by tightening global supply and weather-related disruptions in China.
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 - United Kingdom: London Metal Exchange (LME) [10.08.26]
 - Tight global supplies and low stocks keep zinc prices near multi-year highs.
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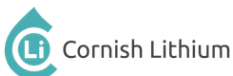
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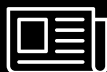
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