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APPG FOR CRITICAL MINERALS HOSTS UK-JAPAN MEETING

On 20 October, the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for Critical Minerals convened a meeting at the House of Lords, between UK and Japanese government and industry leaders. Opening remarks were delivered by Perran Moon MP, followed by contributions from Taka Mogi (JETRO, METI) and Blair McDougall MP, the UK Minister for Reindustrialisation, who outlined the Government's commitment to strengthening domestic capabilities and international cooperation in critical minerals.

The meeting also featured insights from Sumitomo Corporation, National Wealth Fund, and Nissan Automotive Europe, highlighting opportunities for investment, diversification and advanced manufacturing. A concluding discussion facilitated by APPG Co-Chair Baroness Northover explored regulatory certainty, domestic recycling and long-term industrial demand.

As Secretariat to the APPG, CMA UK was delighted to facilitate these bilateral discussions.

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UK GOVT HOSTS UK-JAPAN STRATEGIC DIALOGUE

On 20 October, the UK Government, in partnership with the Critical Minerals Association (UK), hosted the UK–Japan Critical Minerals Strategic Dialogue at 1 Birdcage Walk in London, bringing together representatives from government, industry and research organisations. Held during London Metal Exchange (LME) Week, the event focused on strengthening bilateral cooperation across critical minerals supply chains, particularly rare earths and rare earth permanent magnets.

The dialogue featured presentations from UK Government, the Advanced Propulsion Centre, Innovate UK, and companies including Proterial, Mitsui & Co., EMR and Northern Lithium. A roundtable discussion chaired by CMA co-founder Jeff Townsend explored opportunities for investment, innovation and commercial partnerships, highlighting the importance of processing, recycling and connecting UK and Japanese industrial capabilities to build more resilient and diversified supply chains.

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CMA SPEAKS AT CRITICAL MINERALS INNOVATION FORUM

On 13 October, our External Affairs Manager Eileen Maes moderated a panel discussion at the Critical Minerals Innovation Forum in London from 13 to 14 October.

Eileen was joined by Belita Amlot, VP of Sustainability Strategy and Governance at Anglo American; Oliver Richards, Head of Critical Minerals and Mining at the UK Department for Business, Innovation, Science & Trade; and Simon Blanchard, Responsible Sourcing Manager at Verkor.

Together the speakers examined the issue of supply security and its operational realities on the ground. The discussion explored how companies are managing concentration risk, how geopolitical realities are affecting their procurement strategies, investment decisions, and long-term planning.

Thank you to Emilia Colman and her team for putting on a great event. The CMA (UK) is a proud partner of Innovation Forum.

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CMA TO HOST 2026 CONFERENCE AT LONDON MINING WEEK

The Critical Minerals Association's 2026 Annual Conference, Strength through Supply, kicks off London Mining Week 2026 on the 30th of November at 11 St Andrews Place, London.

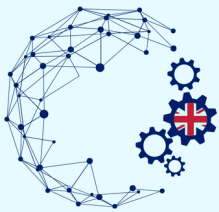
Sponsored by Consulmet, Cornish Metals, and Vale Base Metals, this year's programme brings together experts to discuss standards-based markets, national security and stockpiling, international financing at scale, attracting investment into the UK, the growth of the circular economy, and the needs of consumers as demand continues to grow.

Welcoming 300+ senior representatives from across government, industry, finance, academia, and the wider supply chain, Strength through Supply is the ideal forum for connecting those developing resources, enabling investment, shaping policy, and pioneering the research and innovation that will determine the future of critical minerals.

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Date & Time
30 November 2026, 10:00 - 17:30 GMT

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IGF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN GENEVA

On 12 October, our Project Coordinator Hannan Ismail attended the 22nd Intergovernmental Forum on Mining (IGF) Annual General Meeting in Geneva, bringing together over 400 delegates and stakeholders from across the globe under the theme “Trust in an Interdependent World”.

Discussions focused on international cooperation, responsible mining standards, equitable benefit-sharing and resilient mineral supply chains. The meeting also marked the launch of the IGF Mining Academy, supporting capacity building in mining governance.

A highlight was the interactive session on harmonising sustainability standards and mining policy, featuring language-based group discussions and live polling on community participation, mining governance and supply chain engagement.

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NWF LEADS £135 FUNDRAISE FOR CORNISH METALS

On 24 October, the National Wealth Fund (NWF) announced that it has cornerstoned a £135m fundraise for Cornish Metals to reopen their South Crofty tin mine in the South West of England.

A £41.7m equity investment forms the cornerstone of the fundraise. The Fund's participation as a lead investor in the raise is helping to crowd significant private capital into the project, with a further £93.3m of equity funding from new and existing investors, including £11.2m of new strategic investment from Glencore, which secures a major six-year offtake agreement.

Proceeds will support the development of the South Crofty project towards production. Significant progress has already been made at the site since the NWF made its initial £28.6m equity investment in January 2025. The project is expected to create more than 300 direct jobs in Cornwall.

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APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR BICS ENERGY RELIEF

On 1 October, the UK Government opened applications for the British Industrial Competitiveness Scheme (BICS), a key initiative under the Modern Industrial Strategy aimed at reducing electricity costs for manufacturers by up to 25%.

The scheme is expected to benefit over 10,000 businesses across Great Britain, supporting industrial competitiveness, investment and job creation. Eligible manufacturers must meet specific requirements relating to their sector, products and electricity consumption, including a minimum annual grid electricity usage of 33 MWh per site.

Applications close on 30 November 2026, with successful applicants expected to receive support from April 2027. Application outcomes are anticipated in early 2027. Businesses can check their eligibility and submit applications through the official government portals.

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WELCOMING AMC AND AMTF. TO THE ASSOCIATION

The CMA (UK) is delighted to welcome Amalgamated Metal Corporation (AMC) and AMT Futures (amtf.) to the association!

With over a 100 years' experience in non-ferrous metal supply chains across the globe, AMC specialises in the recycling, trading, upgrading and manufacturing of metals essential to global electrification. A significant global player in the tin market and active across other industrial non-ferrous and minor metals, AMC plays a vital role in supporting resilience across a range of critical minerals.

amtf., an FCA regulated multi-asset financial services firm, draws on AMC's unique market insights to provide institutional brokerage and investment management services. amtf. helps producers, processors and manufacturers manage their exposure to volatile metal and mineral prices, while providing investors direct and managed exposure to companies and underlying commodities integral to the growth of critical mineral markets.

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WELCOMING ANGLESEY MINING TO THE ASSOCIATION

The CMA (UK) is delighted to welcome Anglesey Mining to the association!

Anglesey Mining (AIM: AYM) is advancing its 100%-owned Parys Mountain project in North Wales, the UK's largest undeveloped polymetallic volcanogenic massive sulphide (VMS) project, with a mineral resource exceeding 16 million tonnes containing copper, zinc, lead, silver and gold.

The company is focused on progressing the project towards responsible development, with the potential to strengthen domestic mineral supply, create skilled employment and deliver long-term economic benefits for Anglesey and the wider UK.

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ENERGY PATHWAYS PLANS UK GRAPHITE PRODUCTION

On 15 October, EnergyPathways plc announced plans to develop a graphite production facility in Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria, which could help reduce the UK's reliance on imported graphite.

The proposed facility, which has been fast-tracked, would use methane splitting technology to convert natural gas into low-carbon hydrogen and solid graphitic carbon, rather than releasing the carbon as CO_2.

A site has been identified for the proposed 60,000-tonne-per-annum facility, with existing grid connections in place and first revenues targeted for 2029.

Initially, the graphitic carbon would supply industries including tyres, metallurgy, concrete and asphalt. Longer-term ambitions include producing high-grade graphite for electric vehicle batteries, potentially strengthening and diversifying the UK's critical mineral supply chain.

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ABBC HOSTS FIRST UK-ALGERIA MINING CONFERENCE

On 13 October, the Algeria British Business Council (ABBC) hosted the first UK–Algeria Mining Conference in Algiers, bringing together representatives from across government and industry to explore opportunities for bilateral cooperation. Our Government Affairs Manager, Elliott Trickey, attended the event, providing an overview of the association and participating in a panel discussion alongside fellow industry representatives.

The conference featured presentations from organisations including SONAREM, International Geoscience Services (IGS), British Geological Survey (BGS), Weir, and Magna. Attendees also heard remarks from His Majesty's Ambassador to Algeria, James Downer, and Algeria's Secretary of State for Mines and Mining Industries, Karima Tafer. The event highlighted opportunities to encourage UK–Algeria investment and collaboration on mining & critical minerals.

The CMA (UK) was proud to be a partner of this event.

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FCDO MANILA LEAD PHILIPPINES MISSION TO THE UK

From 14 to 16 October, British Embassy Manila led a high-level Philippine delegation on a critical minerals mission across the UK, visiting stakeholders, projects and sites from London, Nottingham, Birmingham, Swansea and Cardiff.

Delegates engaged with UK government, industry, market institutions, universities, and investors to explore practical approaches to responsible critical minerals development. Discussions highlighted alignment between the Philippines' ambitions under Executive Order 122 and the UK's Critical Minerals Strategy, with a shared focus on responsible growth, investment, and value addition.

The CMA was honoured to contribute to and participate in this mission, from attending roundtables at the Foreign Office, to moderating a roundtable at Cardiff University.

We look forward to continuing to facilitate dialogue between the UK and the Philippines on this strategic issue.

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4TH UK-FRANCE CRITICAL MINERALS POLICY EXCHANGE

In early October, the UK and France convened the 4th UK-France Critical Minerals Policy Exchange, reinforcing bilateral efforts to strengthen critical mineral supply chains.

The exchange highlighted continued collaboration between the UK's Critical Minerals Intelligence Centre (CMIC) and The French Observatory of Mineral Resources for Industrial Sectors (OFREMI) to enhance their shared understanding of strategic supply chains.

A key milestone was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the British Geological Survey (BGS) and the French Geological Survey (BRGM), aimed at deepening scientific and technical cooperation.

Discussions also explored opportunities for closer government-industry collaboration to improve supply chain resilience and support the energy transition.

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WORLD BANK PLANS $19 BILLION INVESTMENT

On 16 October 2026, World Bank President Ajay Banga announced plans to increase critical minerals financing fivefold, targeting $19 billion between 2026 and 2030, compared with $3.6 billion over the previous five years.

The investment programme will support mining projects, processing facilities, and enabling infrastructure, alongside partnerships with 20 countries to attract private capital and strengthen regulatory frameworks. It responds to growing concerns over supply shortages and processing bottlenecks affecting the global energy transition.

By reducing early-stage investment risks and financing essential infrastructure, the World Bank aims to accelerate the growth of mineral production, diversify international supply chains, and support economic development in emerging mining jurisdictions.

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PROJECT VAULT PREPARES $1 BILLION LOAN

On 16 October 2026, the US government-backed Project Vault initiative advanced plans to provide up to $1 billion in commercial loans to help manufacturers establish domestic reserves of critical minerals. More than 70 companies across the automotive, aerospace, defence, and technology sectors are reportedly involved in discussions.

The facility will offer low-cost financing for inventories of processed materials, including battery components, permanent magnets, and specialised alloys, reducing storage costs and exposure to price volatility.

Unlike traditional government stockpiles, Project Vault focuses on privately held reserves of refined materials. The initiative aims to protect US manufacturers against supply disruptions, strengthen domestic industrial resilience, and stimulate investment in allied mineral processing capacity.

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DEVELOPMENT BANKS LAUNCH JOINT FRAMEWORK

On 17 October 2026, six multilateral development banks launched a joint framework to expand critical mineral value chains in developing economies. The initiative aims to move beyond raw material extraction by supporting local processing, refining, and manufacturing through coordinated financing, infrastructure, and policy assistance.

The framework combines public and private financing, risk-mitigation guarantees, and harmonised ESG standards to attract investment. It also provides advisory support to governments developing mining and industrial policies.

By expanding local processing capacity and regional infrastructure, the initiative seeks to help producer countries retain more economic value while diversifying global critical mineral supply chains and reducing dependence on concentrated processing hubs.

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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:

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

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Cobalt

- Africa
  - Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) [09.10.26]
    - UN report says DRC produces most of the world's cobalt but retains less than 1% of the value generated across green energy supply chains.
    - Read the article here.

  - DRC [08.10.26]
    - Miners DRC's Copperbelt could save $1b annually by replacing diesel-powered generation with imported electricity under a planned $300 million transmission project.
    - Read the article here.

- Europe
  - European Union [09.10.26]
    - EU Commission selects 46 additional strategic projects under the Critical Raw Materials Act (CRMA), 10 of which involve cobalt.
    - Read the article here.
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- North America
  - Canada: Electra Battery Materials [23.09.26]
    - Electra Battery Materials partners with WMC to finance Ontario-based cobalt refinery.
    - Read the article here.

- Oceania
  - Australia: Coda Minerals [23.10.26]
    - Coda Minerals confirms metallurgical pathway to recover cobalt at Elizabeth Creek.
    - Read the article here.

Copper

- Africa
  - DRC: Mercuria [20.10.26]
    - First Congolese copper cathode shipment enters US Project Vault strategic stockpile.
    - Read the article here.

- Asia
  - China [21.10.26]
    - September copper scrap imports surge 30 percent following opening of import window.
    - Read the article here.

- Europe
  - Codelco [20.10.26]
    - Codelco deliveres copper cathode material to Europe at record premium of $350 per tonne.
    - Read the article here.

- South America
  - Chile [22.10.26]
    - Severe storms and operational accidents reduce national copper production by 9 percent.
    - Read the article here.

  - Peru: Camino Minerals [19.10.26]
    - Environmental impact assessment approved to expand drilling at Costa de Cobre project.
    - Read the article here.

Gallium

- Africa
  - Mozambique: NeoTerra Group [02.10.26]
    - NeoTerra announces application for $5m grant under the US-Africa Strategic Investment Program, developing opportunities for gallium while assessing a fluorspar operation in Monte Muambe.
    - Read the article here.

- Europe
  - Greece: Metlen [05.10.26]
    - Metlen announces a new agreement with a major Japanese chemical company, representing up to 16% of its annual gallium production.
    - Read the article here.

- North America
  - Canada: Volta Metals [02.10.26]
    - Recent drill results report strong gallium grade of up to 114.9 g/t, accompanied by high grade rare earth oxides.
    - Read the article here.

  - USA: Sunrise Resources PLC [15.10.26]
    - Sunrise Resources commissions Canadian company Geotech Ltd to evaluate geophysical data from the Reece Ridge project in Nevada, using AI-based tools to refine drill targets.
    - Read the article here.

Germanium

- Asia
  - China: China Northern Rare Earth, Yunnan Germanium, Huayang New Materials [13.10.26]
    - Germanium prices rise nearly 102% in 2026. As of close on the 13.10.26 China Northern Rare Earth and Yunnan Germanium lead gains, while Huayang New Materials hit the daily limit.
    - Read article here.

- Europe
  - European Union [13.10.26]
    - EU secures access to Chinese mineral supply with faster approvals for REE export licenses.
    - Read article here

- North America
  - USA: Silver Elephant Mining Corp [14.10.26]
    - Mercator Geological Services to re-assess 2008 drill core and investigate domestic germanium resource potential within the Robinson-Lasher Zn-Ge-Ga deposit in Livingston County, Kentucky.
    - Read the article here.

  - USA: EIN News [22.10.26]
    - Silicon germanium material market projects strong long-term expansion across microelectronics sectors.
    - Read the article here.

Graphite

- Africa
  - Mozambique: Syrah Resources [10.10.26]
    - Syrah Resources commissions 11.25 MWp solar and 8.5 MWh battery storage system at Balama Graphite Operations, expected to supply over 35% of the mine's power needs.
    - Read the article here
  - Malawi: Fortuna Metals [05.10.26]
    - Fortuna Metals advances Phase 1 drilling at Kampini.
    - Read the article here
- Asia
  - India: Evion Group [01.10.26]
    - Evion Group secures its first Southeast Asian order for expandable graphite to Ho Chi Minh City through its Indian joint venture.
    - Read the article here
- Europe
  - Germany: EcoGraf [01.10.26]
    - EcoGraf is assessing a German site for a proposed 25,000 tpa graphite facility to serve European battery and EV manufacturers.
    - Read the article here
- North America
  - USA: Titan Mining [07.10.2026]
    - Titan Mining's subsidiary signs a preliminary agreement with the US Army for a proposed graphite processing facility in Alabama.
    - Read the article here

Lithium

- Africa
  - Mali: Kodal Minerals [23.10.26]
    - Kodal Minerals plans regional expansion to accelerate commercial production at Bougouni lithium project.
    - Read the article here.
  - Morocco: Chinese investors [20.10.26]
    - Chinese battery manufacturers invest US$6 billion to establish Moroccan lithium processing facilities.
    - Read the article here.
- Europe
  - United Kingdom: Department for Business, Innovation, Science and Trade [27.09.26]
    - British government backs GEL Energy's commercial geothermal lithium brine extraction facility in Cornwall.
    - Read the article here.
- South America
  - Argentina: CleanTech Lithium [16.10.26]
    - CleanTech Lithium explores cross-border operational synergies between Argentine and Chilean assets.
    - Read the article here.
  - Chile: Ministry of Mining [16.10.26]
    - Chilean Government presents updated public-private framework for national lithium salt flat exploration during LME Week in London.
    - Read the article here.

Magnesium

- Asia
  - China [16.10.26]
    - Magnesium prices hit a year low in China, the world's dominant producing country, prompting smelter closures.
    - Read the article here.

- Europe
  - Romania: Verde Magnesium [13.10.26]
    - Verde becomes Europe's only strategic project covering the whole primary magnesium chain, targeting 90,000 tonnes per annum by 2036.
    - Read the article here.

- North America
  - United States: Department of Commerce [01.10.26]
    - The U.S. opens its fourth sunset review of anti-dumping duties on Chinese magnesium, first imposed in 2005.
    - Read the article here.

- Oceania
  - Australia: Latrobe Magnesium [01.10.26]
    - Latrobe's Victoria demonstration plant is 90% installed and still targets its first high-purity magnesium by the end of 2026, with a 50,000-tonne US plant planned.
    - Read the article here.

Nickel

- Asia
  - Indonesia [22.10.26]
    - Nickel producers plan production cuts at Morowali Industrial Park.
    - Read the article here.

- North America
  - United States: Westwin Elements [05.10.26]
    - Westwin announces plans to build nickel refinery in Mississippi.
    - Read the article here.

  - United States: Westwin Elements, Traxys [20.10.26]
    - Westwin announces extended nickel offtake agreement with Traxys.
    - Read the article here.

- Oceania
  - Australia: Gold Fields, BHP [07.10.26]
    - Gold Fields enters agreement to acquire BHP's Kambalda nickel assets in Western Australia.
    - Read the article here.

- South America
  - Brazil: Atlantic Nickel, Appian Capital Advisory [06.10.26]
    - Atlantic Nickel announce record monthly performance at nickel sulphide mine in Bahia.
    - Read the article here.

Platinum Group Metals

- Africa
  - South Africa: Tharisa [15.10.26]
    - Valterra Platinum replaces Sibanye-Stillwater as Tharisa's offtake partner, purchasing 50% of its PGM concentrate from January 2027.
    - Read the article here.

  - South Africa: Valterra Platinum [15.10.26]
    - Mogalakwena, the world's largest platinum mine, advances underground development with trial mining planned for 2026 and FID set for 2027.
    - Read the article here.

- Europe
  - United Kingdom: Intercontinental Exchange [26.10.26]
    - London launches new platinum and palladium futures, following China's opening of the Guangzhou Futures Exchange to international traders.
    - Read the article here.

- North America
  - United States: Sibanye-Stillwater [07.10.26]
    - A new three-year labor contract resolves the strike at the Stillwater East mine and Columbus smelter in Montana.
    - Read the article here.

Rare Earth Elements

- Africa
  - Madagascar: Harena Rare Earths [16.10.26]
    - Madagascar formalises permit for rare earth oxide ionic clay project.
    - Read the article here.

- Asia
  - China [15.10.26]
    - China plans to continue REE exports to Europe.
    - Read the article here.

  - Taiwan [25.10.26]
    - Taiwanese research institute plans to build REE plant.
    - Read the article here.

- South America
  - Brazil [03.10.26]
    - Brazilian President names China as possible partner in critical mineral plans.
    - Read the article here.

  - Chile: Aclara Resources [19.10.26]
    - Economic study raises value of Aclara's REE project in Chile.
    - Read the article here.

Silicon

- Asia
  - China [21.10.26]
    - China considers proposals to introduce export controls on polysilicon and other photovoltaic components.
    - Read the article here.
  - Malaysia [08.10.26]
    - Malaysia progresses with reclamation for construction of Silicon Island.
    - Read the article here.
  - Malaysia: PMB Technology [09.10.26]
    - PMB plans to build silicon-aluminium alloy plant in Sarawak.
    - Read the article here.
- North America
  - United States: GlobalFoundries, TSMC [09.10.26]
    - GlobalFoundries and Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. (TSMC) reach deal on US silicon interposer supply chain.
    - Read the article here.
  - United States: Sibelco [20.10.26]
    - Sibelco plans to build silicon manufacturing capacity in North Carolina.
    - Read the article here.

Tin

- Africa
  - DRC: Rome Resources [30.09.26]
    - Rome Resources boosts tin resource estimate at Kalayi Project by 45 percent.
    - Read the article here.

- North America
  - United States: Noronex [06.10.26]
    - Noronex completes acquisition of 100% interest in Alaska's Sleitat tin project, with initial exploration extending the mapped northern greisen system beyond 1 km.
    - Read the article here.

- Asia
  - India: Rikayaa Greentech [01.10.26]
    - Rikayaa Greentech secures patent for recovering tin from electronic waste to at least 99.9% purity, with its Baddi facility already supporting tin refining capacity of up to 1,500 tpa.
    - Read the article here.

  - China: Shanghai Metals Exchange [12.10.26]
    - Shanghai tin futures fall 4.5% to a 3-month low amid macroeconomic pressure and weaker semiconductor stocks.
    - Read the article here.

Tungsten

- Australia
  - Australia: Tivan, Sumitomo [05.10.26]
    - Tivan advances a proposed A$50m tungsten joint venture with Sumitomo and ETFS Capital at Molyhil, targeting binding agreements in Q4 and potential offtake of all production.
    - Read the article here.

- Africa
  - Rwanda: Trinity Metals [07.10.26]
    - Trinity Metals considers New York IPO and a US$60-80m processing plant investment, targeting a tripling of Nyakabingo's tungsten output within 3 to 5 years.
    - Read the article here.

- Europe
  - European Union [09.10.26]
    - European Commission selects three tungsten projects for strategic project status, supporting faster permitting and access to financing to strengthen European supply.
    - Read the article here.

  - Spain: Traxys, Abenójar Tungsten [07.10.26]
    - Traxys signs exclusive tungsten offtake agreement for at least 10 years with El Moto, targeting production exceeding 4,000 tpa of contained WO_3 from 2029.
    - Read the article here.

Vanadium

- North America
  - United States: Anfield Energy [08.10.26]
    - Anfield Energy receives positive DRMS decision after state review of JD-8 uranium-vanadium mine.
    - Read the article here.

- Oceania
  - Australia: AVL, Tyfast [08.10.26]
    - Non-binding MOU establishes staged pathway to evaluate AVL's vanadium oxide products for use in Tyfast's proprietary lithium vanadium oxide (LVO) anode technology.
    - Read the article here.

  - Australia: Australian Vanadium [12.09.26]
    - Australian Vanadium CFO steps down as company moves forward with its Gabanintha project.
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  - UK: Invinity Energy Systems [22.10.26]
    - Invinity Energy Systems raises £25m to accelerate development and manufacturing of vanadium flow battery technology.
    - Read the article here.

- Asia
  - India: Bondada Engineering Ltd [22.10.26]
    - Bondada Engineering Ltd. to build India’s largest vanadium flow battery project in Gujarat .
    - Read the article here.

Zinc

- Africa
  - DRC: Ivanhoe Mines [08.10.26]
    - Kipushi mine posts a record quarter for zinc, moving Congo closer to world's top zinc producers.
    - Read the article here.
  - South Africa: Vedanta Zinc International [12.10.26]
    - President Ramaphosa set to inaugurate Gamsberg's Phase II expansion, one of SA's largest mining investments in a decade, lifting capacity to 500,000 tpa of zinc concentrate.
    - Read the article here.
- Europe
  - Ireland: Zinc of Ireland [08.10.26]
    - Zinc of Ireland raises $3.2m to develop technology that recovers metals from zinc smelting waste, and to drill its Kildare zinc-lead-germanium project.
    - Read the article here.
- North America
  - United States: Korea Zinc [12.10.26]
    - Trump administration endorses Korea Zinc's planned $7.4b smelter in Tennessee.
    - Read the article here.
  - United States Geological Survey [05.10.26]
    - USGS and California Geological Survey begin low-level helicopter surveys to map 22 critical minerals, from antimony to zinc.
    - Read the article here.

EVENTS CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2026

- RenewableUK Cymru | **Future Energy Wales** | Newport, Wales | 3 - 4 November
  - Register here.

- ECV | **European Green Aluminium Summit 2026** | Frankfurt, Germany | 18-19 November
  - Register here.

- Critical Minerals Association (UK) | **Strength through Supply** | London Mining Week, UK | 30 November
  - Register here.

DECEMBER 2026

- Beacon Events | **Resourcing Tomorrow**| London, UK | 1 - 3 December
  - Register here.

- Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining (IOM3)| **Geometallurgy 2026**| London, UK | 7 - 9 December
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