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NEW UK PM SIGNALS FOCUS ON REINDUSTRIALISATION

On 20 July, Andy Burnham entered Downing Street as the new Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, setting out an early message focused on economic renewal. In his first speech as Prime Minister, Burnham highlighted the need for “re-industrialising Britain, using public procurement to back British industry”, and said he would bring forward a new 10-year plan for Britain later this year.

For the critical minerals sector, this focus on reindustrialisation is notable, particularly if it leads to stronger support for domestic processing, refining, recycling, and advanced manufacturing. A renewed emphasis on using public procurement to support British industry may also create opportunities to better connect critical minerals policy with wider priorities across clean energy, defence, infrastructure, and industrial strategy.

The CMA will continue to monitor and assess how the UK government’s agenda develops across key departments, and what it could mean for the UK critical minerals sector.

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IEA PUBLISHES GLOBAL CRITICAL MINERALS OUTLOOK

On 16 June, the International Energy Agency (IEA) published the 2026 edition of its Global Critical Minerals Outlook, highlighting how supply chain disruptions are increasingly driving economic costs.

In 2025, cobalt prices surged following export quotas imposed by the Democratic Republic of the Congo, tungsten prices rose sharply, and new export controls added to market uncertainty. The U.S.-Iran conflict disrupted trade flows of aluminium, sulphur and helium, with acid costs exceeding energy costs on some projects after China curbed sulphuric acid exports in May 2026.

The report also points to positive developments in the critical minerals landscape, with increased investments helping to diversify rare earth refining and recycling. However, it warns that general investment in critical minerals refining and downstream processing continues to lag, underscoring the need for stronger coordination and action across government, industry, and finance.

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EU RULES TO STRENGTHEN VEHICLE MATERIALS CIRCULARITY

On 2 July, European Parliament backed new circular economy rules aimed at making vehicles easier to repair, reuse and recycle. The measures cover the full vehicle lifecycle, from design through to end-of-life treatment, and would require new vehicles to be designed so that more parts and components can be easily removed, replaced, reused, recycled, remanufactured or refurbished.

Modern vehicles contain a growing volume of valuable materials, including aluminium, copper, platinum group metals, and rare earth elements. These rules point towards a wider policy direction in which vehicle design, recycling infrastructure, and producer responsibility are increasingly linked to raw materials security.

By improving recovery from end-of-life vehicles, the EU is seeking to reduce waste, support circular supply chains and lessen dependence on imported materials. For the UK, the development highlights the importance of aligning policy to capture more value from secondary materials.

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NATO ALLIES LAUNCH CRITICAL MINERALS PROJECT

On 7 July, NATO allies launched a new multinational High Visibility Project on critical raw materials for defence at the NATO Summit Defence Industry Forum in Ankara, Türkiye.

The project brings together Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden and Türkiye to strengthen the resilience of defence supply chains. It will focus on the acquisition, storage, transport and management of critical raw materials, components, and recycled products essential for defence production.

NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte said the initiative reflects the need for secure and resilient industrial supply chains to ensure that NATO can remain ready in the face of shocks or disruption. For the critical minerals sector, the project underlines the growing recognition that defence capability depends on reliable access to the materials that underpin weapons systems, military technologies, and wider industrial readiness.

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CMA CONFERENCE 2026: STRENGTH THROUGH SUPPLY

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The Critical Minerals Association (UK) is looking forward to hosting its 6th Annual Conference, *Strength Through Supply*, on 30 November as part of London Mining Week.

Every year we welcome UK and international players in industry, academia, government, finance, and services across the critical minerals value chain to the heart of London for a full day of insights, presentations, panel discussions, networking, and promotional opportunities.

Proactive government presence has solidified our conference as the must-attend event for UK and international critical minerals strategy. We are delighted to be welcoming speakers from the International Energy Agency, Orion Resouce Partners, European Investment Bank, British Standards Institution, Ionic Technologies, TechMet, Cornish Metals, Arion Investment Management, and more.

If you are interested in speaking, sponsoring, exhibiting, or hosting a side event at our conference, please reach out to [**eileen@criticalmineral.org**](mailto:eileen@criticalmineral.org)

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Strength through Supply



U.S. EXECUTIVE ORDER SUPPORTS DOMESTIC PROJECTS

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On 20 July 2026, the White House issued an executive order aimed at strengthening domestic production and processing of critical minerals used in defense, energy storage, and advanced technologies.

The order expands federal support for mining and refining projects through accelerated permitting processes, domestic procurement requirements, and additional financing mechanisms designed to encourage private investment. The measures are intended to reduce reliance on foreign supply chains and support the development of domestic mineral processing capacity.

The announcement reflects a broader trend among Western governments toward industrial policies focused on critical minerals security, as geopolitical tensions and supply chain risks continue to shape investment decisions and resource development strategies.

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U.S. ALLOCATES \$500M FOR AFRICA CRITICAL MINERALS

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On 23 July, the U.S. Department of State announced the \$500M U.S.-Africa Strategic Investment Program, which aims to 'advance America's national interests' across two strategic focus areas: Critical Minerals Investment and Commercial Diplomacy Acceleration'.

The programme seeks market-based solutions that strengthen the environment for foreign investment in sub-Saharan Africa through transparent and competitive processes. Projects must demonstrate clear, measurable benefits to one or more sub-Saharan countries, such as increased investment from U.S. and U.S.-aligned companies. Applicants are also encouraged to identify how their projects create conditions that enable U.S. commercial participation.

The programme offers 10 awards with ticket sizes of \$5M to \$50M each, structured as grants or cooperative agreements with no cost-share requirement. The window for application rolls quarterly, with the first closing on 21 August.

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DESCYCLE OPENS UK DEMO PLANT TO RECOVER MINERALS

On 9 July, DEScycle launched its first demonstration plant in Teesside, marking the first operational deployment of its distributed metals processing infrastructure platform and a significant step towards strengthening the UK's domestic critical minerals supply chain.

Operating at 250kg batch scale, the plant is capable of processing 50–100 tonnes of material annually during the demonstration phase and will support DEScycle's transition from pilot operations to repeatable commercial deployment.

The Rt Hon Anna Turley MP for Redcar, and Lord Ben Houchen, Tees Valley Mayor, opened the facility. They were joined by local dignitaries, key UK and international investors, and industry stakeholders, including the CMA UK.

Leo Howden, CEO of DEScycle, commented: "At a time when critical minerals are urgently needed for AI, electrification and advanced manufacturing, we believe the UK has an opportunity to lead in a new model of metals processing."

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WELCOMING 3R TECHNOLOGY UK TO THE ASSOCIATION

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The CMA (UK) is delighted to welcome 3R Technology UK Ltd to the association! Powered by proprietary AI robotic sorting technology, 3R Technology Global is a circular economy infrastructure operator specialising in e-waste recovery, e-waste plastic recovery, and precious metal reclamation. By recovering critical minerals and materials from end-of-life electronics, 3R Technology acts as the ideal downstream recycling partner for ITAD providers.

Headquartered in Delaware with operational facilities in the UK (Preston, Swindon), the United States (Riverbank California), and the Netherlands (Reusel Engineering Centre), 3R Technology Global are planning further expansions across the US, Europe, and Ireland. They aim to possess a portfolio of 20 operational facilities by 2030, an annual review of \$100M+, and a NASDAQ listing by 2029.

With recovery rates of up to 99% for precious metals and over 75% for plastics, 3R Technology offers superior recovery rates covered to industry baselines.

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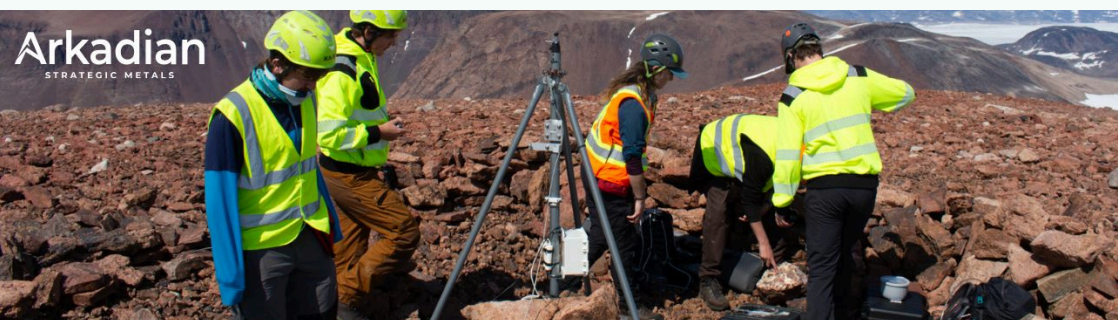
ARKADIAN ADVANCES MOTZFELDT 2026 PROGRAMME

Arkadian Strategic Metals Plc has announced a coordinated 2026 work programme at its Motzfeldt Critical Metals Project in South Greenland, bringing together resource review, engineering assessment, environmental baseline studies, satellite remote sensing, hyperspectral imaging and processing testwork.

The programme is focused on strengthening the technical evidence base around Motzfeldt's rare earth, niobium, tantalum and zirconium potential. SRK Consulting is reviewing the existing Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) and historic data, while NIRAS is assessing access, infrastructure and development options. BioApp will undertake ecological baseline studies at key project areas.

TheiaX is undertaking licence-scale satellite work and field-based hyperspectral imaging at Merino, where the aim is to map rare earth-bearing surface signatures and support follow-up targeting. The combined workstreams are intended to support the pathway towards a potential exploitation licence application.

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CORNISH METALS PARTNERS ON MINING ACADEMY

Cornish Metals has partnered with The Cornwall College Group to establish the Engineering Mining Academy, helping to develop the skills and knowledge needed to support Cornwall's and the UK's critical minerals ambitions.

Using the South Crofty project as a real-world case study, the academy will give students valuable insight into the mining sector, career opportunities, and the future workforce needs of the industry.

The programme is designed to provide a strong technical foundation, with transferable skills that can support progression into Level 3 engineering courses, apprenticeships, and careers in the mining and wider engineering sectors. Students will build practical electrical and mechanical engineering skills through hands-on experience with equipment and processes used in mining operations.

The programme will commence on 7 September 2026.

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**The Engineering Mining Academy
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UNIVERSITY OF EXETER REPORT ON EV MATERIALS RISKS

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A new report from the University of Exeter, funded by the UK Council for Automotive Academic Research (UKCAAR), is highlighting the growing critical material challenges facing the UK's electric vehicle (EV) sector.

Material Risks: Beyond Batteries and Traction Motors for the UK Electric Vehicle Industry explores how EVs and future autonomous vehicles rely on a wide range of critical materials beyond those used in batteries and traction motors, including materials essential for power systems, sensors, chassis structures, and other vehicle components.

The report identifies increasing geopolitical, supply chain, regulatory and financial risks associated with these materials, and emphasises the need for greater resilience across the automotive supply chain. It calls for continued investment in innovation, recycling, and domestic industrial capabilities, as well as improvements in supply chain transparency to support the UK's transition to a secure and sustainable EV industry.

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CANADA INVESTS \$400M IN TECK MINERALS SMELTER

On 7 July, the Canadian government announced a CA\$400 million equity Strategic Investment Agreement to support the expansion of Teck Resources's smelting and refining complex in Trail, British Columbia.

Delivered through the Canada Critical Mineral Accelerator, the funding will support increased production of critical metals including germanium, antimony and gallium — materials essential for technologies such as semiconductors, fibre optics, telecommunications, and advanced electronics.

The Agreement also provides for the establishment of an offtake structure with the Government of Canada, including offtake rights for a portion of minerals produced by Trail, that will build on Canada's position as a reliable critical minerals supplier to global partners.

The Province of British Columbia has also named the Trail Strategic Metals Initiative as one of eighteen priority resource projects, and is working with Teck on opportunities to further support the initiative's advancement.

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OXFORD MUSEUM CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS EXHIBIT

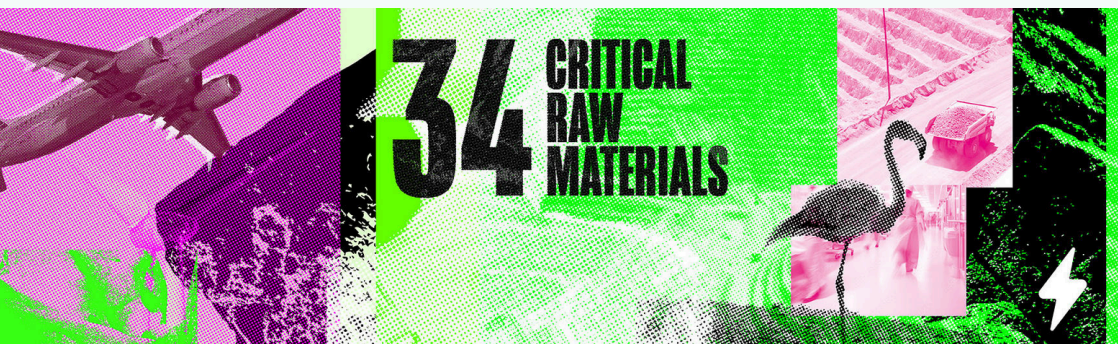
On 17 June, the Oxford University Museum of Natural History opened its new exhibition exploring the importance of critical raw materials to the UK's future development.

Developed in collaboration with the Oxford EARTH research programme and Oxford University's Department of Earth Sciences, *34: Critical Raw Materials* showcases the 34 materials officially recognised as critical to the UK, alongside lesser-known materials that are essential to modern technologies and industry.

Through interactive displays, artefacts and geological specimens, the exhibition reveals how these hidden materials underpin everything from smartphones and medical equipment to renewable energy and aerospace.

The exhibition aims to raise awareness of the essential role these materials play in everyday life, while highlighting the importance of secure, responsible supply chains and the challenges of meeting growing global demand.

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CMA PARTNERS WITH 2026 FT METALS & MINING SUMMIT

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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.

Our members are invited to use our special discount code **CMA10** for 10% of your ticket pass!

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The social and environmental dimensions of critical minerals in the UK: A policy discussion and evidence review brings together the latest evidence on the challenges and opportunities associated with developing the UK's critical minerals sector.

Published by The Agile Initiative in May 2026, the paper by Jamie Hinch, Sarah Raymond, Sophus zu Ermgassen, Mike Kendall, Gavin Mudd, and Mark Hirons synthesises current evidence and identifies key knowledge gaps. It was developed as a collaboration between Oxford University's Departments of Biology, Earth Sciences, Geography and the Environment, and the British Geological Survey (BGS).

While policy has focused on geology, finance and regulation, the social and environmental dimensions of critical minerals remain insufficiently understood in the UK context. Addressing these issues will be essential to avoiding project delays, supporting a just transition, protecting nature, and ensuring the responsible development of domestic critical minerals industry.

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IOM3 HOSTS INAUGURAL MINING MASTERCLASS

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On 8 May, IOM3 hosted the the inaugural Mining Masterclass, marking a great milestone for IOM3's Education and Outreach Team.

Secondary school teachers from across the UK travelled to Cornwall for a free, two-day residential CPD (Continued Professional Development) course to build their understanding of mining and its role in a sustainable future.

Hosted by Cornish Lithium, the course included site tours, presentations, hands-on activities with real ore samples of critical minerals, careers talks, and classroom resources.

Teachers were also joined by IOM3 President Christine Blackmore, the Camborne School of Mines, and Minerals Matter. They left with a fresh perspective on mining and greater confidence.

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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
- Graphite
- Lithium
- Nickel
- Manganese
- Rare Earth Elements
- Tin
- Tungsten
- Vanadium

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Cobalt

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- Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) [03.07.26]
 - Major cobalt producers in the DRC risk missing export quotas due to an administrative issue affecting the country's customs platform, potentially disrupting shipments and tightening global cobalt supply.
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- DRC [06.07.26]
 - The DRC says copper and cobalt production is expected to remain stable despite recent disruptions to sulphuric acid supplies caused by the U.S.-Iran conflict.
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- Asia

- Asia [14.07.26]
 - Asian cobalt prices expected to remain under pressure in Q3 2026 as weak demand from batteries and consumer electronics outweighs supply risks from the DRC.
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- South America

- Cuba [16.07.26]
 - Closure of Sherritt's Fort Saskatchewan refinery after expanded US sanctions on Cuba exposes vulnerabilities in Western critical minerals supply chains.
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Copper

- Africa
 - Central Africa: Lobito Corridor Consortium [10.07.26]
 - The digitisation of Lobito Corridor reshapes strategic mineral trade networks across Africa.
 - [Read the article here.](#)
 - Ivory Coast: Awalé Gold & Copper [14.07.26]
 - High-grade assay results indicate expanded copper mineralisation in West Africa.
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 - USA: Copper One [08.07.26]
 - Copper One acquires prospective exploration assets to expand North American portfolio.
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 - Argentina: First Quantum Minerals [15.07.26]
 - FQM explores equity stake sale in major Argentine copper project.
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 - India advances graphite exploration in border region to secure battery materials.
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 - Brazil: South Star Battery Metals [22.07.26]
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 - Zimbabwe introduces rail freight corridors to streamline lithium export logistics networks.
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- Asia
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- EIG | **Extractive Industry Geology Conference 2026** | Liverpool, England | 8-11 September
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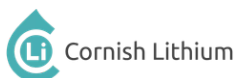
- Algeria British Business Council | **Algeria-UK Conference on Mining** | Algiers, Algeria | 13 October
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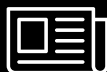
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