



# Register of Expert Groups and Other Similar Entities

## Other Similar Entity

**Name:** Raw Materials Supply Group (X01353)  
(Active - Group which operates on a permanent basis)

**Abbreviation:** RMSG

**Policy Area:** Enterprise

**Lead DG:** ENTR - Enterprise and Industry DG

**Type:** Informal, Permanent

**Scope:** Limited

**Mission:** Exchange of views on the competitiveness and sustainable development of the non-energy extractive industry (NEEI). To analyse, discuss and exchange views on the supply of raw materials, with a focus on the sustainable competitiveness of the NEEI sector. Subgroups provide support for the legislator in the development and implementation of EU legislation and policies and develop actions to improve sector sustainability.

**Task:** Assist the Commission in the preparation of legislation or in policy definition  
Coordinates with Member States, exchange of views  
Monitors the development of national policies and the enforcement of EU legislation by national authorities  
Provides expertise to the Commission when drafting of implementing measures, i.e. before the Commission submits these draft measures to a comitology committee

**Composition:** National Administrations  
Association (Natural resources, Natural resources, Industry)  
NGO (Environment, Natural resources, Biodiversity)  
Trade Union (Employment and social affairs, Labour interests)  
Academia (Natural resources)  
Research Institute (Natural resources)

**Active since:** 25 Jan 2006

**Link to Website:** [http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/raw-materials/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/raw-materials/index_en.htm)

**Last updated:** 02 Apr 2013

## **Additional Information**

### **Activity Report**

Activity report 2012: The last meeting of the Raw Materials Supply Group took place on 12 November 2012 in Brussels. Main discussion topics included an update on the preparations for the European Innovation Partnership, state of play on the Raw Materials Policy Dialogues, certification study, stockpiling study, development of indicators on national mineral policies, plans for review of the critical raw materials, REACH regulation and critical raw materials, work of the UNFC, by-products study of the International Study Groups and the new EU industrial policy. Each agenda point was followed by an intensive discussion and follow-up on each point was agreed. The attached meeting agenda and meeting minutes provide a good overview of the discussions.

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 61 kb)

[Document 2](#)

(approx. 11 kb)

### **Activity Report**

Activity report 2011: At the meeting of 16 November 2011 the main topics discussed included the overall implementation of the EU raw materials strategy, the development of indicators under its second pillar and the draft proposal for a European Innovation Partnership on Raw materials. The attached document contains the agenda of the meeting.

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 38 kb)

### **Activity Report**

Activity report 2010: During the meeting of 25 June 2010 the main topics discussed were reports on defining critical raw materials and on the exchange of best practices on land use planning, permitting and geological knowledge sharing and the state of play of the overall implementation of the EU Raw Materials Initiative. The attached documents give the agenda and the minutes of the last meeting.

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 27 kb)

[Document 2](#)

(approx. 444 kb)

### **Selection Procedure (members)**

The members of the RMSG have been appointed by the Commission from stakeholders with competence and responsibility in areas which are related to the competitiveness of the non-energy extractive industries and raw materials sector, on the basis of proposals by the stakeholders involved (e.g Ministries of Member States, industry associations, trade unions etc). They include representatives of the Commission, the Member States, the actors in the industrial sectors, trade unions and non-governmental organisations. At the RMSG meeting of 18 February 2009 the Commission has presented the terms of reference and mandate of a new ad hoc working group on defining critical raw materials. The Commission invited members of the RMSG to express their interest to be part of this group. Following this meeting the Commission made a selection on the basis of the proposals of the RMSG members, with the aim to ensure a geographical balance in terms of Member States that have an important extractive sector and/or geological knowledge capacity and a balance between ministries and geological services. The criterion was a thorough technical and economic knowledge of metals, industrial minerals and aggregates. Moreover a range of different industrial experts were needed in order to provide the technical expertise on a range of the different raw materials (41 in total) covered, both from the industrial producers as users' side. Other stakeholders were also invited, including NGOs and research institutes with a particular knowledge on the raw materials value chain. At the above-mentioned RMSG meeting the Commission also invited RMSG members to express their interest in joining a ad hoc working group on exchanging best practices on Land Use Planning, Permitting and Geological Knowledge Sharing. As in the case of the previous ad hoc working group, the aim was, again, to ensure a geographical balance in terms of Member States that have an important extractive sector and/or geological knowledge capacity and a balance between ministries and geological services from Member states, geological services and industrial experts. Following the above mentioned invitation the Commission has selected on the basis of the proposals of the RMSG members 23 experienced members based on the criterion of thorough knowledge in the areas of land use planning, permitting and geological knowledge sharing.

### **Internal Rules of Procedure**

Expert Groups usually operate in an informal setting without any formal rules of procedure. This is the case for this group.

## Members

### Organisation

Name of Organisation	Category	Countries/Areas represented	Membership Status
Aust. Ass. For Building Mat. And Ceramics	Association	Austria	Member
BRGM	Research Institute	France	Member
British Geological Survey	Research Institute	United Kingdom	Member
Bundesanstalt für Geowissenschaften und Rohstoffe	Research Institute	Germany	Member
Business Europe	Association	European	Member
Cembureau - The European cement Association	Association	European	Member
CEPMC - Conseil Européen des Producteurs de Matériaux de Construction	Association	European	Member
Cerame-Unie	Association	European	Member
EEB	NGO	European	Member
EMCEF	Trade Union	European	Member
Euroalliages AISBL	Association	European	Member
Eurofer	Association	European	Member
EuroGeoSurveys	Association	European	Member
Eurogypsum aisbl	Association	European	Member
Eurometaux	Association	European	Member
Euromines	Association	European	Member
European Aluminium Assoc.	Association	European	Member
European Expanded Clay Association	Association	European	Member
European Federation of Geologists	Association	European	Member
European Minerals Foundation	NGO	European	Member
Euroroc	Association	European	Member
Euroslate	Association	European	Member
Friends of the Earth Europe	NGO	European	Member
Geological Survey of Sweden	Research Institute	Sweden	Member
IEEP	NGO	European	Member
IMA - Industrial Minerals Association	Association	European	Member
Institute of Geology and Mineral Exploration and Studies, National Centre for Sustainable Development (IGME)	Research Institute	Greece	Member

Italian National Agency for new Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA)	Research Institute	Italy	Member
National Trade Union of Romania (MERIDIAN)	Trade Union	Romania	Member
Union Européenne des Producteurs de Granulats (UEPG)	Association	European	Member
WWF European Policy Office	NGO	European	Member
Hungarian Mining Association	Association	Hungary	Not a member
Hungarian Mining Association	Association	Hungary	Not a member
Montana University of Leoben	Academia	Austria	Not a member
Montana University of Leoben	Academia	Austria	Not a member
University of Augsburg	Academia	Germany	Not a member
University of Augsburg	Academia	Germany	Not a member

## National administrations

Country		Membership Status
Austria	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Belgium	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Bulgaria	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Cyprus	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Czech Republic	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Denmark	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Estonia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Finland	3 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
France	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Germany	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Greece	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Hungary	3 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Ireland	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Italy	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Latvia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Lithuania	3 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Luxembourg	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Malta	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Netherlands	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Poland	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Portugal	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Romania	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Slovakia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Slovenia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Spain	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

Sweden	3 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
United Kingdom	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

## Subgroups

Name	Duration	Composition	
<b>Working Group "Exchanging best practices on land use planning, permitting and geological knowledge"</b>	no end date		
<b>Organisation</b>			
Organisation Name	Organisation Type	Countries/Areas represented	Membership Status
CEPMC - Conseil Européen des Producteurs de Matériaux de Construction	Association	European	Member
EuroGeoSurveys	Association	European	Member
Euromines	Association	European	Member
IMA - Industrial Minerals Association	Association	European	Member
Union Européenne des Producteurs de Granulats (UEPG)	Association	European	Member
<b>National administrations</b>			
Country	Public Authority	Membership Status	
United Kingdom	Department of Trade and Industry, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS)	Member	
Sweden	Ministry of Enterprise, Energy and Communications, The Geological Survey of Sweden (SGU), Mining Inspectorate of Sweden	Member	
Portugal	DIRECÇÃO-GERAL DA EMPRESA, General Direction for Energy and Geology - Ministry of Economy and Innovation	Member	
Netherlands	Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Economic Affairs	Member	
Greece	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Energy	Member	
Germany	Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft und Technologie, Bundesverband Bautstoffe Steine und Erden	Member	
France	Direction générale de l'Energie et du Climat	Member	
Finland	Ministry of Employment and Economy, North Finland EU Office, Geological Survey of Finland	Member	
Belgium	Departement Leefmilieu, Natuur en Energie, Serv. Publ. Fédéral de l'Economie	Member	
Austria	Bundesministerium für Wirtschaftsfamilie und Jugend	Member	
Name	Duration	Composition	

**Working Group "Defining Critical Raw Materials"**

no end date

**Organisation**

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Sweden	Ministry of Enterprise, Energy and Communications, The Geological Survey of Sweden (SGU), Mining Inspectorate of Sweden	Member
Portugal	DIRECÇÃO-GERAL DA EMPRESA, General Direction for Energy and Geology - Ministry of Economy and Innovation	Member
Netherlands	Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Economic Affairs	Member
Hungary	Hungarian Office for Mining and Geology, Ministry of Economy and Transport, Representation of Hungary - BE	Member
Germany	Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft und Technologie, Bundesverband Bautstoffe Steine und Erden	Member
France	Direction générale de l'Energie et du Climat	Member
Finland	Ministry of Employment and Economy, North Finland EU Office, Geological Survey of Finland	Member

Czech Republic	Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic, Czech Geological Survey	Member
Austria	Bundesministerium für Wirtschaftsfamilie und Jugend	Member

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## Statistics

### Number of Members: 58

Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Individual expert appointed as representative of an interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Organisation:	31		
National administrations:	27		

### Number of Alternate Members: 0

Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Individual expert appointed as representative of an interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Organisation:	0		
National administrations:	0		

### Number of Observers: 0

Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Individual expert appointed as representative of an interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Organisation:	0		
National administrations:	0		