# Energy transition, Climate change, Renewable fuels, Circular economy Experience of EU projects on the secondary education.

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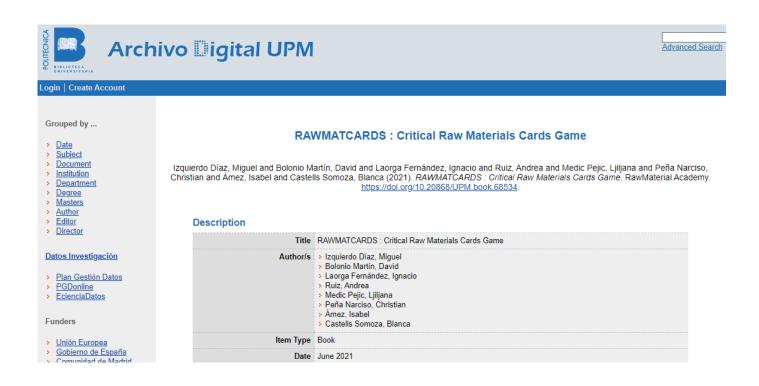
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# **RawMatCards**



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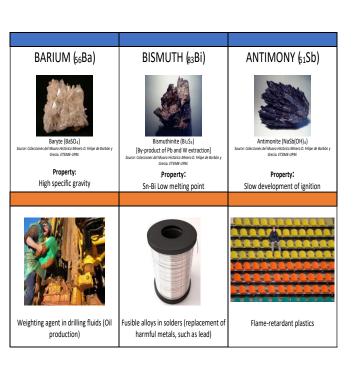


#### **CRMs CardGame**

#### Antimony (51Sb) MINERAL(S) SUPPLY RISK (SR): 2 (2020) ECONOMIC IMPORTANCE (EI): 4.8 (2020) **RECYCLING RATIO: 38 %** Antimonite (NaSb(OH)<sub>4</sub>), SUBSTITUTION: Valentinite (Sb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>), Manufacture of glass (compounds of chromium, tin, titanium). Jamesonite (Pb4FeSb6S14) Flame-retardant materials (alumina trihydrate, magnesium hydroxide). COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: China (74 %), Tadzhikistan (8%), Russia (4%) **PROPERTIES USES** Flame-retardant materials (plastics, wire Combined with halogenated flame-retardant compounds constitutes a highly-effective flame coatings, upholstered furniture, car seats). Grid plates, straps and terminals in Leadretardant. (With Pb) Improves tensile strength, corrosion resistance and charging characteristics in Manufacturing of Low-load bearings. Lead-acid batteries. Manufacture of plastic bottles (PET). Gives resistance to different metal-alloys. High-quality clear glass. Antimony trioxide (catalyst). In the form of sodium hexahydroxyantimonate becomes a degassing agent.

**PbSb Batteries** 

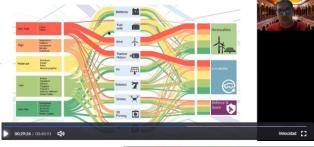






Catalyst in PET manufacturing





# Circular economy and electric car batteries

Design thinking and entrepreneurship























WithScience...Conscience



Short videos (max. 1 min)

Importance of mining and raw materials

Young audience

Easy to understand

Social Networks (Instagram)

# Competition TikTok short Videos



How many views or likes can you reach?





#### **CONCURSO**

RM@SCHOOLS

MINING AND CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS SHORT VIDEOS

**BASES DEL CONCURSO** 







# **TOOLKITS**



Solar Cells, Flotation, Copper recycling...

**Reclycing Blue and Recycling Game** 

**Electrochemistry and RawMatCards** 









# **Project presentation**

What is the project offers to high school students:

a direct, immersive, contact with the raw materials sector, giving them
a first idea of the real world that would facilitate their understanding of
sector through seminars, practical experiences and strategies for
understand the importance of energy transition circular economy and
climate change.





Tutor

Blanca Castells

# **Critical Raw Materials**









Hinsdalite











#### CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS: MINING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

- · Atmosphere: Dust and GHG emission.
- Hydrosphere: Acid mine drainage, Aquifers drying, Groundwater and surface water pollution.
- · Geosphere: Erosion, Landscape modification, Soil pollution.
- · Biosphere: Biodiversity loss, Deforestation, Fertile soil loss.







#### CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS: APPLICATIONS















#### CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS: MINING SOCIAL IMPACT

- · Asbestosis, silicosis and black lung diseases because of work exposure.
- · Child explotation.
- · Fostering war and child soldiers.
- · Land use competition.
- · Unsafe working conditions: miners risk.













# **Circular Economy**





#### Challenges

Europe imports much more natural resources that it exports

Europe is vulnerable to volatile raw material prices

Europe still generate about five tonnes of waste per person per year on average, and little more than a third of that is effectively recycled

Europe has to secure competitive, affordable and sustainable sources of energy







#### Circular Economy: a priority

Protecting the environment and boosting competitiveness go hand-in-hand: both are about building a sustainable future.







#### Tutor

#### Isabel Amez

# **KEY PRODUCT VALUE CHAINS**

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#### 1. Electronics and ICT

6. Construction and building

Electrical and electronics are one of the fastest growing waste streams in the EU, growing annually about 2%. Less than 40% of electronics waste is recycled in the EU. Some of them cannot be reparable.



The built environment requires vast amounts of resources and

accounts for about 50% of all extracted material.

#### 2. Batteries and vehicles

Its use is increasing due to its use in vehicles. However seems essential to boost the circular potential of all batteries. European Commission propose a new regulatory framework for batteries.



#### 3. Packaging

Europe reached a record. In 2017 were produced 173 kg per inhabitant of packaging wastes, the highest level ever. New Directives reinforce the mandatory essential requirements for packaging to be allowed on the EU

#### 49 million tonnes





#### 7. Food, water and nutrients Circular Economy can restoring biodiversity and natural

capital in Europe. Biological resources are a key input of the EU and play and even more important role in the future.



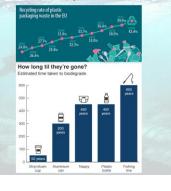


53% IMPORTANT

78% have a direct effect on their daily life and their health

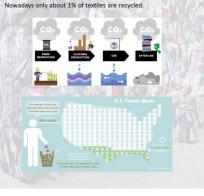
#### 4. Plastics

Plastics in the Circular Economy is a challenge of serious public concern. Moreover, the consumption of plastics is expected to double in the coming 20 years. The Commission will propose mandatory requirements for recycled content and waste reduction measures to improve the situation.



#### 5. Textiles

Textiles are 4th highest-pressure category for the use of primary raw materials and water, after food, housing and transport. They are also the 5th for GHG emissions.







# **Critical Raw Materials Impact and contamination**

#### Tutor

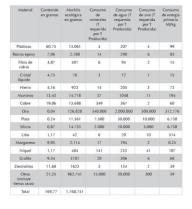
Miguel Izquierdo

#### CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS: SMARTPHONE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT



#### 1 g gold recipe

- 1,1 kg explosives
- 4 ton rock
- 380 L water
- 850 g sodium cyanide
- 2 L gasoil
- · 3,6 kWh electricity



#### **CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS: E-WASTE GENERATION**



## CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS: SOLUTIONS In order of effectiveness:

- Reducing: Using fewer resources → How often do you change your phone?
- Reusing: Considering new uses (new lives) for things that are about to be disposed → Have you ever bought a second-hand phone?
- Recycling: Following recycle rules (of the corresponding community) to enhance the recovery of different materials → Where do you dispose your phone?









Tutor

#### Christian Peña

Electric batteries



# Electric batteries technologies

The battery of the electric vehicle consists of "Cell → Module → Package A group of cells forms a module and a group of modules forms a package. Finally, in an electric vehicle, a form of battery is installed: a package.

e.g, in a BMW i3, a total of 96 battery cells are installed. Twelve cells are combined into one module and eight modules are joined together to enter the vehicle as a package.

#### The weight of an electric car battery is usually proportional to its energy capacity in kWh,

The truth is that this direct relationship does not always exist because of the energy density

A Tesla Model X with the 85 kWh battery would be equivalent to a 9-litre tank of petrol, weighing about 10 kg in total (the tank plus fuel). However, the Tesla Model X's batteries weigh 350 kg. we will can use about 78 kWh of 85 kWh things to keep in mind!

How Many People Have Mobile Phones In The World?



4.78Billion

mobile phone users in the world today



61.28%

of people own mobile phones today

# How many cars are there in the world currently?

It is estimated that **over 1 billion** passenger cars travel the streets and roads of the world today.

The 1 billion-unit mark was reached in 2010 for the first time ever.

In the United States alone, 268,799,083 "highway" registered vehicles were counted in 2016, of which 192,774,508 passenger cars. (<u>Bureau of Transportation Statistics U.S. Department of Transportation</u>)









# Name of the initiative: Raw materials key to our future

# This internship-like initiative has been promoted by my Institution ...

Promote problem-based learning, self-organization and **learning by doing** Facilitate access to experimental platforms for hands-on training

Offer online courses

Actively involve University, Industry and Professional Labs in education

Develop Entrepreneurial skills

Create learning-by-doing Curriculum

# The following didactic approach has been pursued

Many students in high school are **using internships as a strategy to help decide their major**, bolster their college applications and **gain experience to better** prepare themselves

Under close supervision and mentorship of professional staff; undertakes one or more assigned activities and/or projects of fixed duration requiring a basic degree of knowledge and skill within a defined area of RM.





## **INITIATIVE DESCRIPTION**

## **Duration of students involvement in the initiatives?**

- 1. Early phase for the development of the activities:
  - One week
- 2. The final phase:
  - Two weeks



## How many students per year are involved?

- 1. Pilot phase **15 students**
- 2. The final phase: aprox. 5 students

How many Institution <u>tutors</u> per students are involved in the initiative? 1 per 3 students









# Students recruitment procedure adopted by your Institution

To be considered for *admission*, *applicants* must meet the following requirements:

- Hold a minimum of a 4<sup>th</sup> year of high school (16 or 17 years old)
- Field of secondary level in science and technology education
- Students with a high interest on Earth sciences and Circular economy







# **Specific scientific themes of internships**

Mining activities:

New innovative mining technologies and research to enable a sustainable, efficient and successful mining industry

now and in the future

Processing of primary and secondary resources:

Improving, innovating and rethinking the processes and technologies involved can open up new business opportunities

which are more efficient and have less of an environmental impact

Modern-day solutions:

Problems with Fluctuations in resource quality, the introduction of new resources, increased safety demands, environmental impact, and increasingly rapid changes in demands and markets

End-of-life-products





# Collaboration among Research organization/University/companies for the internship execution



























# Output produced by students at the end of their internship

## All the things the student can gain from a RM internship:

- New and improved skills: One of the most important things the students can gain from an internship is newfound knowledge.
- Work hard no matter what you're doing: Always work hard even if your task is small and seems
  unimportant. We help to the students build a good work ethic
- Independence: Being able to work independently with little guidance is very important in the working world
- Increased self-confidence
- Enhances conventional classroom learning methods

Internship is a great opportunity to gain experience, make friendships and learn!







# Final event of the intership

Interns look to their mentors and/or supervisors to help them transition from the classroom to the "internship place".

Mentors and/or supervisors **regularly meet with interns** to receive and provide feedback concerning their performance.

During these meetings the students may:

- Report on a project's status
- Participate in evaluating their strengths

Typically supervisors are asked to evaluate interns at the midpoint and end of the internship.

Company involved in the project are encouraged to review the internship with the intern before he or she leaves.

Evaluations are helpful when determining the intern's success within the organization for future internships.





# Which kind of scientific/technical skill did students developed during the internships?







# Societal skill?





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# Thank you for your attention.











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