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German Raw Materials Policy

Current challenges and opportunities for cooperation

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Global Challenges in Raw Material Supply



Future technologies change the raw material demand



Increasing demand due to an increasing population



Shortages in the supply with doemstic raw materials

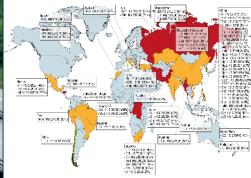


Increasing dependency due to a high concentration of suppliers

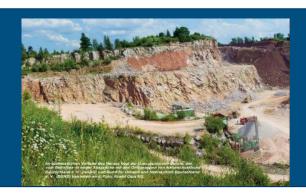








Pillars of the German Raw-material-strategy













Domestic production of mineral ressources in Germany and Europe

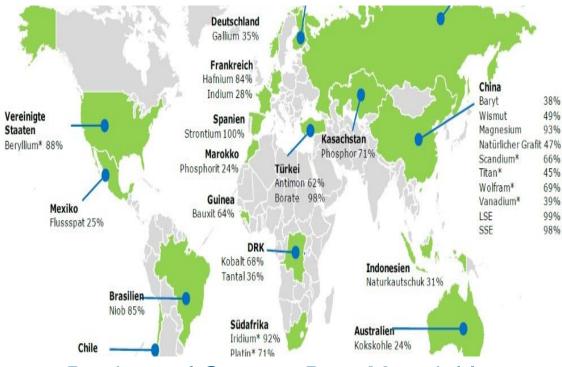
Recycling/Secondary raw materials

Circular Economy

(Diversified) Import, mostly of metallic raw materials



Import dependencies of Germany





Regions of German Raw-Material Imports

New Challenges

- Covid-19-pandemic and Russian invasion of Ucraine have shown importance of <u>resilient</u> supply chains.
- New geopolitical dimension of supply chains.
 - → Germany wants to expand international cooperation.

New Opportunities for Cooperation

Chile amongst priority partner countries.

- Strong foundation in bilateral raw materials cooperation (since 2013)
- Common vision about sustainable and social standards along raw materials value chains.



New Opportunities for Cooperation

Opportunities for cooperation:

- Lithium, Copper and other raw materials especially for the energy transition
- Sustainable Raw Material Processing
- Raw Material Technologies, Automation, Digitalization
- Special environmental aspects (mine water treatment, handling of tailings)
- Utilization of "waste material" (like silicates) for other industry application (construction, glas, ceramics)
- Cooperation between Geological Surveys and Universities/Research Organizations
- Land rehabilitation (see next slide)



German experience with land rehabilitation

after more then 100 years of coal mining and more then 50 years of uranium mining in the Eastern part of Germany

facing out of coal mining by 2030/38











Thank you for your attention!

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