

12th Scientific Seminar – Program November 25-27th, 2025 Naples

Time (CET)	Topic	Speaker	
Tuesday 25 November			
13:15 Welcome coffee			
13:30	Welcome words by the President and Vice President of PROMETIA	Stéphane Bourg, BRGM Alexandra Ribeiro, NOVA FCT	
13:45	Welcome words	Giorgio Ventre, UNINA Unione Industriali representative (tbc)	
14:00	Italian Initiatives: Driving Innovation and Sustainability	Nicola Mondillo , UNINA Polimi representative (tbc)	
15:00	EU Update: Strategic Projects, Policy Outlook, Next EU Programme	DG Grow representative (tbc)	
15:30	Coffee Break		
16:00	Canada's strategic vision for the raw materials ecosystem	Konstantin Volchek, Natural Resources Canada's CanmetMINING	
16:30	Upscaling and Piloting of Metal Value Recovery in EIT RawMaterials	Witold Kurylak, IMN	
16:50	Unlocking the EU By-Product Potential by Innovative Processing and Recycling - Feedback from 2025 RMW	Patrick d'Hugues, BRGM Stéphane Bourg, BRGM	
17:10	Closing remarks	Stéphane Bourg, BRGM	
17:15	End of the day		
Wednesday 26 November			
	Scaling Up Mineral & Metallurgical Processes - METNET	initiatives	
09:00	Agglomerating Alternative Raw Materials for Sustainable Silicon Production: Learnings from the QUEEN Project Trials at Elkem	Alberto Olivo, ELKEM	
09:20	New CRM Group's upscaling capabilities at the service of industrial symbiosis – applications in steel and zinc sectors	Laurent Fraikin, CRM	
09:40	Studies into activation of steelmaking slag by-products for use in cemer	Alan Scholes, MPI UK	
10:00	Pilot-scale demonstration and modeling of innovative biohydrometallurgy for sustainable reprocessing of mining waste	Anne Gwenaelle Guezennec, BRGM	
10:20	Coffee Break		



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A Cooperation platform for analytical laboratories - LabNET initiatives			
10:40	LabCEED - Reminder of the idea	Tadeusz Gorewoda, IMN	
10:50	Success story of the SilRef Project	Christa Nimbona, ELKEM	
11:00	The LabCEED project - current research in quality control	Witold Kurylak, IMN	
11:10	Research project for LabNET members - Idea for a common proposal	Tadeusz Gorewoda, IMN	
Scientific contributions & collaborative projects by PROMETIA members			
11:20	PROMESS: Education in mineral processing and filling the gap of talented mineral processing engineers in the EU	Maria Sinche-Gonzalez , OULU	
11:40	Strengthening Efforts in Critical and Strategic Metals and Minerals Research and Innovation at Luleå University of Technology	Lena Sundqvist-Öqvist, LTU	
12:00	PROMETHEE : the french research network on the hydrometallurgical processes	Anne Gwenaelle Guezennec, BRGM	
12:20	Selective fragmentation and water-free pre-concentration of sustainable processing of Fe-Ti-V bearing ores	Christiana Oyinloye, OULU	
12:40	Lunch (buffet)		
14:00	Recent Studies of Critical Raw Materials Recovery from Low-Grade Sources	Andrzej Chmielarz, IMN	
14:20	LITHOS: Lithium recovery from hard rocks	Thomas Abo Atia, KUL	
14:40	Tailing valorisation to secure REE supply	Reka Hajdu-Rahkama, VTT	
15:00	METALLICO: The Purgess and Tailco Processes to recover cobalt from primary and secondary resources	Jose-Luis Cortina, UPC	
15:20	Coffee break		
15:50	HEPHAESTUS: Zn (and metal) recovery from the electric arc furnace dust	Thomas Abo Atia, KUL	
16:10	RELiEF: Electrodialytic Lithium Recovery from Secondary Resources	Eduardo Mateus, NOVA FCT	
16:30	Screening of leaching conditions: a high-throughput approach	Anne-Sophie Gay, IFPEN	
16:50	Recovering Critical Raw Materials from Batteries through Theory, Laboratory Research, and Pilot Trials	Xianfeng Hu, SWERIM	
17:10	Closing of the seminar – final word	Stéphane Bourg , PROMETIA President	
17:30	End of the seminar		
20:00	Invited Dinner		
Thursday 27 November (for PROMETIA members)			
09:00	Welcome Coffee break & PROMETIA members dedicated moment (EU project opportunities)		
10:00	General Assembly meeting (restricted)		
11:15	End of the General Assembly		