



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Cabinet of Executive Vice-President Valdis Dombrovskis

Round table on Critical Raw Materials package

16/02/2023

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting:

On 16 February 2023, EVP Dombrovskis and BusinessEurope organised a roundtable with BusinessEurope Members to exchange views on the upcoming Critical Raw Materials package.

There was a broad consensus on need to diversify sourcing of raw materials: FTAs and strategic partnerships are important, but also important to invest in circularity and R&D to lessen the dependence. Sustainable extraction, streamlining permitting procedures, legal clarity, social acceptance were also important to boost domestic production of raw materials. Industry was unanimous on the need to not create additional burdens and no top down governance model. EU competitiveness is important. EU needs to fight against trade distortions, use TDI tools, green procurement, and ensure coherence in EU legislative framework (REACH, waste shipment etc).

Topics: Critical Raw Materials package

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