

Pôle de compétitivité des industries du sous-sol The French cluster for subsurface industries

# aLiNA 17 Sept 2024 Brussels









## AGENDA – 17 Sept 2024 – Brussels

- 9.00-9.30: welcome coffee
- 9.30-11.00: aLiNA update and Regional projects

(Strategic raw materials for energy transition industry in Nouvelle-Aquitaine)

AVENIA and Nouvelle-Aquitaine region

- **11.00-11.30:** networking coffee break
- 11.30-12.00: CRM act European Commission views

Gerardo Herrera, DG GROW

• 12.00-12.30: Reconciling the conflicting societal interests of nature protection and mineral raw materials needs, the CIRAN project

Eberhard Falck, INTRAW

• 12.30-14.00: networking lunch





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- 14.00-14.30: CRM act Industry views Rolf Kuby, Euromines
- 14.30-15.00: new European Geological Data Infrastructure presentation Francesco Pizzocolo, EuroGeoSurveys
- 15.00-15.30: Québec's Global Diplomacy in Critical and Strategic Minerals ? André Patrocinio, Délégation Générale du Québec à Bruxelles
- 15.30-16.00: Role and actions of associated EU regions
   Luis Martins, Cluster Portugal Mineral Resources
- 16.00-16.30: Q&A session





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• aLiNA programme - update



https://www.pole-avenia.com/en/





### Who is AVENIA ?

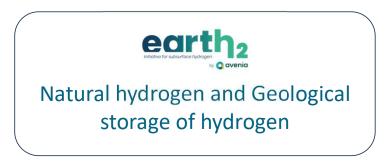
- AVENIA is a French « pôle de compétitivité », gathering more than 260 members (SMEs, large industrial groups, R&D labs, local authorities,...), boosting innovation through collaborative projects, dedicated to subsurface sectors, contributing to ecological and energy transition.
  - Geological storage
    - Geotechnics
      - Geothermal energy
        - Hydrogeology
          - Mining & Carrying
            - Oil & Gas
  - Organisation of thematic technical workshops
  - Organisation of networking events
  - > Involvement in collaborative projects to boost territorial innovation
  - Structuring and promoting the industrial sectors within territories, at the national, European and international levels within Programmes (see next slide)



#### **Our Programmes...**

### To boost the local ecosystem through innovation within collaborative projects

Programme for Industrial CO2 Transport Utilisation or Storage





# Securing critical raw materials supply chain for the industry

Rules to join the programmes:

- \*to be a AVENIA member
- \*to sign a simple Confidentiality Agreement
- \*to agree that this is a collaborative programme
- \*to agree to focus on innovation



Programme promoting the use of geothermal energy

For more information, please contact us

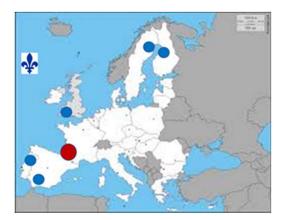




Securing supply of metals and minerals for industries in Europe through responsible mining of mineral resources *First example: Lithium for batteries in Nouvelle-Aquitaine* 

- Inclusion of the whole territorial value chain
  - From exploration & responsible production (mines, quarries, geothermal fluids...)
     Including valorization of mining waters, tailings and recycling
     To end users

# • Addressing **social acceptance**, **environmental impact**, **skills & training**







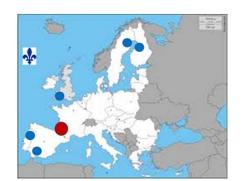
## Who?

#### Regional & national network

 Gathering of regional and national actors sharing a global vision, to ensure synergy between projects, towards same objectives

#### AVENIA

- Nouvelle-Aquitaine Region
- Professional Associations (A3M, MIF, SIM,...)
- OFREMI





#### EU & Intl network

• To promote interregional connexions and share experience

#### European Regions

Andalucia (ES), Cornwall (UK), Galicia (ES), Lapland (FI), North Portugal (PT), North Sweden (SE),...

• European Commission, Alliances, Partnerships and Associations

DG RTD, DG GROW, DG REGIO,..., ERMA, EBA,..., EIT RM, EuroClusters, EFG, EGS, Euromines, Eurometals,...

Quebec

MERNF, MEIE, town of Thetford-Mines,...

- OECD (Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development)
- ...

### Supported by



Collaborative projects

- Innovation
- Skills

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- Environment
- Social acceptance
- Communication
- cnd-Users
- Industry using metals & minerals
  - Driving future needs
- Aviation & spatial
- Automotive
- Batteries
- Defence

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- Electronics
- Solar & Wind energy
- Green Hydrogen



## What's happening at regional and national levels?

- New and on-going Exploration Licenses
- EMILI project
- Battery Innovation Days, 14-15 Nov 2023, Bordeaux
- Business France team training, 22 Apr 2024, Paris
- GEODAYS, 25-26 Jun 2024, Pau
- Webinar NextMove, 5 Jul 2024, "Les matériaux critiques dans la mobilité décarbonée »
- SIM Convention, 2-4 Oct 2024, Dijon
- OECD meeting, 26-27 nov 2024, Bordeaux
- BATTENA
- "Communication Club"
- "Fresque du sous-sol"

## What's happening at European and international levels?



Funded by the European Union

Knowledge Transfer for Widened EU Excellence in Advanced Green Technologies, Sustainability and Research Management

MADITRACE

• <u>CIRAN</u> – Experts Group

A plan for sustainable resource extraction : Towards the responsible sourcing of critical raw materials in protected zones

- <u>MaDiTraCe</u> Advisory Board Material & Digital Traceability for CRM Certification
- <u>CRM-geothermal</u> Stakeholders Board Raw materials from geothermal fluids
- CRM & geothermal

- <u>Québec</u>
  - Signature of a MoU (MCS network & AVENIA)
  - AVENIA attending QME 2022, 2023, 2024
  - Participation to GEODAYS 2021, 2023, 2024

• IMARC 24, Sydney, Australia









# What mining perspectives to develop low carbon value chain in Nouvelle-Aquitaine?

**Circular Economy** → from local mining → to high-tech industries → to recycling

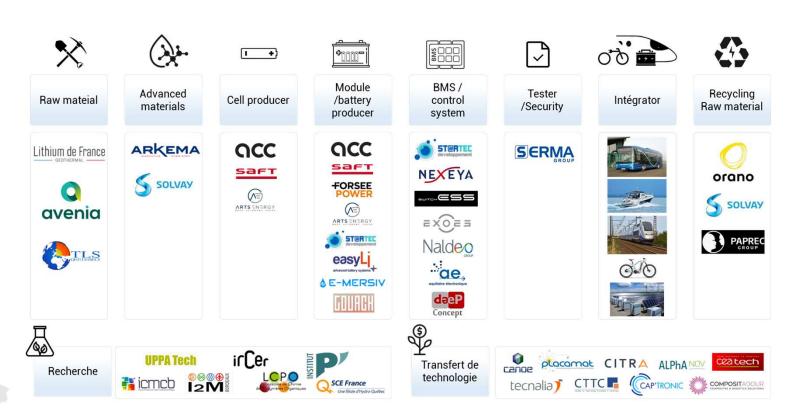




# Nouvelle-Aquitaine Battery industry in 2022



Nouvelle-Aquitaine avenia



#### **Regional ambition**

#### BOOST VALUE CHAIN, INNOVATE AND COLLABORATE

- $\rightarrow$  IPCEIs (production of cells, active materials for Lithium-ion cells)
- $\rightarrow$  New sources of raw material resources in our territory (extraction, refining, etc.)

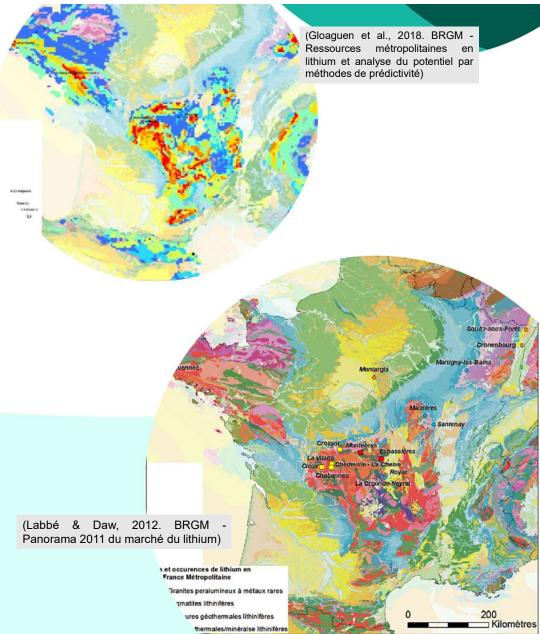
SPRING 2022 : an event will take place in Region Nouvelle-Aquitaine on this theme

# Lithium potential in Nouvelle-Aquitaine

#### Keep in mind!

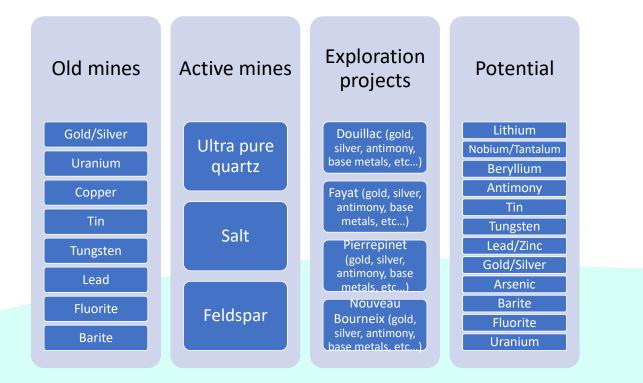
- There are not only geothermal Li & recycling
- There is also lithium in rocks in NW Massif Central Montebras, an active quarry operated by Imerys for feldspar

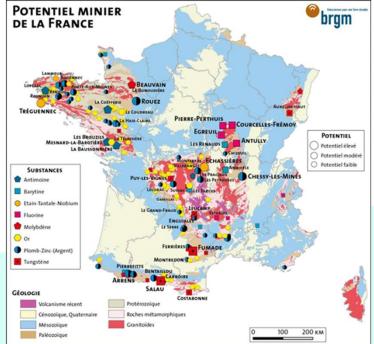
And lots of rare metals granites & pegmatites Containing Li & other CRM = Sn, Nb-Ta, W, Be...





## **Global mining potential in Nouvelle-Aquitaine**





http://www.mineralinfo.fr/pa ge/potentiel-minier-francais

# Nouvelle-Aquitaine CRM for high-tech industries



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#### Some examples of CRM in primary ores

| Electronics | Batteries | Defence | Semi-conductor |
|-------------|-----------|---------|----------------|
| Si          | Li        | W       | Si             |
| Ag          | Zn        | Та      | Ag             |
| Ag<br>Sn    | Cu        | Nb      | Sn             |
| Au          | Na        | Cu      | As             |
| Та          | Sb        | Sn      | Sb             |

CRM mining potential to secure supply chain is real...

Without forgetting potential in mining and water wastes!

#### aLiNA ambition

#### BOOST SUSTAINABLE CRM EXTRACTION, INNOVATE AND COLLABORATE

- $\rightarrow$  Contribute to increase geological knowledge
- $\rightarrow$  Disseminate modern mine good pratices
- $\rightarrow$  Develop new tools to help sustainable mining in our territory (exploration, extraction, refining, etc.)

NEXT STEP: Launch transatlantic project on mining wastes evaluation/valorisation/remediation

## Thank you for your attention



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