



### What OFREMI is?

# **French** mineral intelligence centre

#### A dedicated team for an always up-to-date knowledge

- Public-private pooled funding model
- Collective definition of strategic
- priorities
- Multi-partner expertise (BRGM,
- CEA, IFPEN, Ademe, IFRI, CNAM)
- 20-25 dedicated staff

#### A response to issues of sovereignty and responsibility

- Fragility of value chains when facing major crises
- Explosion of demand for mineral resources and metals
- Need to identify alternatives within the chains
- Responsible and sustainable supplies imposed by the climate, health and geopolitical crises



#### Services

- Analysis of metal supply and changes in demand
- Monitoring of supply chains from the mine to the object
- Risk Quantification
- National alert system
- Tailored services to meet specific challenges

#### Reliable and up-to-date data

- Knowledge of value chains
- Material flow
- Stimulate reflection on
  - strategic stocks
  - Industrial projects (mines, processing industries, etc.)
  - Mining Resource Diplomacy
  - Alternative supply channels























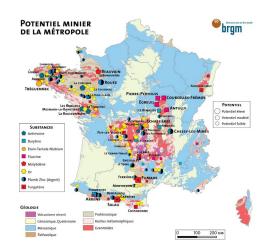




## The context



- No standartised data on deposits, resources, reserves in France
- No (constraining) regulation framework for reporting on deposits, resources, reserves



 No classification of former/old projects, which could be new opportunities  Some self-declaration of industries (to CRIRSCO), with a a non homogeneous level of information, for new projects



We need a framework!





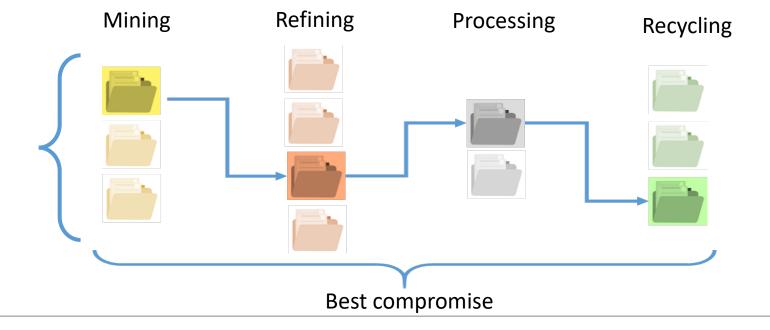


## Value chain approach

UNFC should be a decision support tool when building a supply chain and not only for single stage evaluation

- Widen the study boundaries to the entire project
- Analyse options for each brick of the project
- Connect the best bricks for answering an industrial need (best UNFC compromise)

Sets of UNCF ranked options



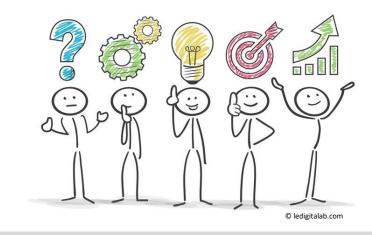




# Harmonising and sharing

### Methodology

- Agree on a common methodoly:
  - the classification should not be « expert » dependant
  - But the classification should not be based on a too macroscopic level of information





### **Transparency**

- Share the evaluations more widely (across Europe) for more coordination
- Find complementarities and avoid duplicates

#### **Collaborations**

- To be spread in the EU, aligned with the CRM Act to allow:
  - Synergies between R&D projects
  - Emergence of sound european industrial projects







## Mitigating the risks

### **Translation between classifications (bridging tables)**

- Risk of missing information
- Risk of loss of information
- Not adressing the same stakeholders/decision makers
  - A « benchmark » of classifications (pro&cons, strenghts/weaknesses...) ?

### Quality of data used/shared for classification

- Define a communication framework between geosurveys and industries
- Improving/allowing for transparency







### **Conclusions**

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Harmonising and sharing

Mitigating the risks

The floor is yours!

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