



RAW MATERIALS WEEK 2023

UNFC as a harmonised information format for Critical Raw Materials projects at the EU level French experience

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UNFC & CRM projects in France

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- First work in France in 2022, evaluation of CRM projects after DG GROW request
- Which CRM projects select?
 - Primary resources
 - Mines/quarries under production
 - Exploration/feasibility projets ongoing
 - Old mines & old exploration permits
 - Natural occurrences without any project by the past are neglected
 - Recycling projects
 - Projects already under production
 - Projects in industrial upscaling progress
 - Low TRL projects are neglected





- For primary resources
 - National metallic mineral resources inventory
 - Mining registry
 - Quarry database (for Si & Mg)
 - For active projects → public company data
 - Project/company website, press releases, scientific articles, S&P Global
- For mining wastes
 - Anthropogenic mineral resources inventory
 - Mining waste directive data
 - No active projects in mining waste recovery









Rapport final

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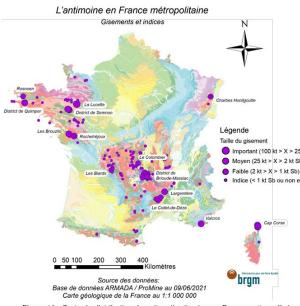


Figure 10 : Carte de distribution des gîtes d'antimoine en France métropolitaine



A data collection work

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- For recycling projects (WEEE, batteries) and co-products
 - National industrial plants register
 - Annual capacity, legal and environmental permits authorisations
 - Public funding attribution data
 - Public company data
 - Project/company website, press releases, scientific articles, industrial benchmark reports
 - G axis? Need for more data about the future quantities and composition of the products/wastes







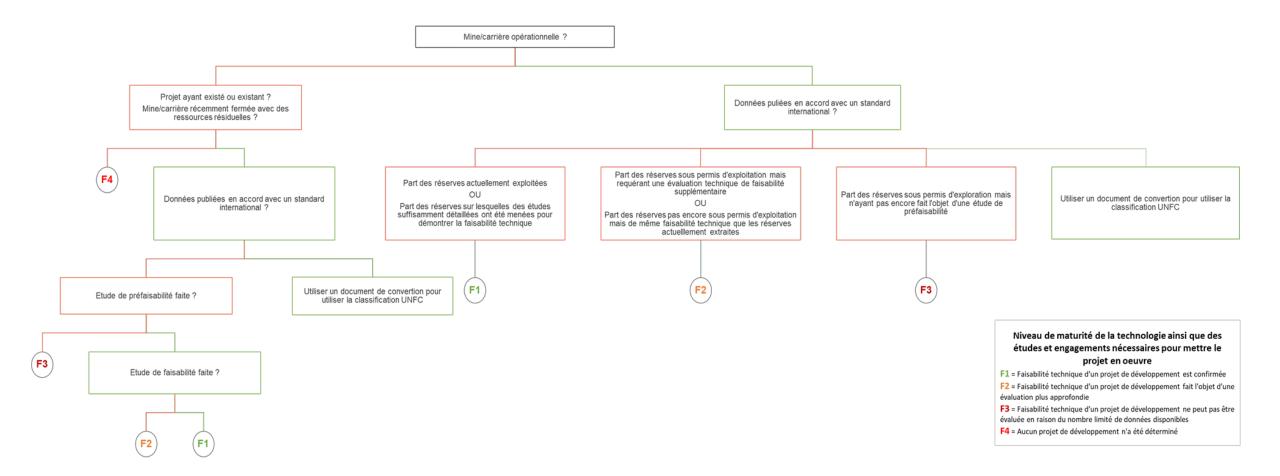






How to evaluate?







Conclusions and open questions



- Each Member State needs to define a framework of UNFC application adapted to their context (legal + data)
- Need for common template but adapted to national framework
- Simplicity and build based on existing
- Approach based on public/publishable data BUT with a minimum of feedback/validation of the company
- In the framework of the application of the CRM Act, how Strategic projects would be assessed?

