

Registration

Target Audience

International experts in the areas of mining, raw material supply, environmental assessment, supply chain management /certification, sustainable resource management from academia, business and industry, civil society and policy.

Venue

Umweltforum

Pufendorfstraße 11
10249 Berlin
Germany

Accommodation

Information about accommodations near the venue:

https://besondere-orte.com/sites/default/files/downloads/Hotels_Umweltforum_Neue Mälzerei_eng 2018.pdf

Registration

Please register online via

www.umweltbundesamt.de/en/uba-rohstoffkonferenz-2019-registration

Please register until **15 January 2019**.

Registration fee

Participation for the event is free of charge.

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Raw Materials & Environment 2019

Environmental Issues of Mineral and Metal Supply in a Broader Sustainability Context

Berlin, 19-20 February 2019

German Environment Agency

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Information

The German Environment Agency (UBA) is hosting an international conference on environmental issues of mineral and metal supply and mining. It will bring together decision makers and experts in the thematic areas of mining, raw material supply, environmental assessment, climate change, sustainable supply chain management and sustainable resource management. About 150 participants from academia, business, up- and downstream industry, civil society and policy are expected on 19 – 20 February 2019 in Berlin.

Minerals and metals form the backbone of modern economies and are key to providing services to citizens around the globe such as housing, mobility and communications. Sustainability transitions such as the energy system transformation and megatrends such as digitization pose extra requirements on the world economy's raw material supply. Ensuring sustainable access to abiotic raw materials on a global level for the decades to come requires discussions on how to internalize the external environmental and social costs of raw material production and on a fair and just distribution of responsibilities, costs and benefits along global supply chains.

Against this background, the international conference "Raw Materials & Environment 2019" aims to foster awareness of environmental issues in the national, European and international debates on responsible sourcing and responsible mining. It will feature analyses, challenges and solutions in the thematic areas of mining, raw material supply and sustainable development. Focus shall lie on environmental aspects of extracting and producing minerals and metals. Linkages to related thematic areas will be addressed so that the interdependencies between environmental protection, human rights, security of supply, distributional justice and global responsibility can be elaborated. Possibly conflicting objectives will be pointed out and discussed in order to contribute to the achievement of the integrated and indivisible sustainable development goals.

Programme

19 February 2019 (Day 1)

11:00	Registration - Light snacks and beverages
12:00	Keynote address Maria Krautzberger <i>President German Environment Agency - tbc</i>
12:10	Keynote address Svenja Schulze <i>Federal German Environment Minister – tbc</i>
12:25	Welcome - Moderator
12:30	Keynote speech R. Anthony Hodge <i>Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, CAN</i>
13:00	High-level panel discussion
14:00	Coffee break and snacks
14:30	Session 1: Mining and the environment <i>Environmental raw material criticality, environmental risks and impacts of mining</i>
16:00	Coffee break
16:30	Launch of the International Resource Panel's report on „Mineral Resource Governance for Sustainable Development“
17:00	Session 2: Options for international and EU mining-governance <i>Cooperation, partnerships, due diligence regulation, treaties and agreements</i>
17:50	Wrapping up day 1
18:00	Evening buffet reception
	<i>Conference facilitation Camilla Bausch Scientific Director & CEO, Ecologic Institute</i>

20 February 2019 (Day 2)

9:00	Welcome and recalling day 1
9:15	Session 3: Responsibility in global supply chains <i>Supply-chain due-diligence, standard initiatives, certification schemes</i>
10:45	Coffee break
11:15	Session 4: Mining and climate change <i>Adaptation and mitigation in mining sector, linkages to environmental and supply risks</i>
12:40	Introducing the topics for the afternoon break-out sessions
12:45	Lunch break
13:45	4 Parallel break-out sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mining and the environment• Responsibility along supply chains• Options for international and EU governance• Mining and climate change
14:45	Coffee break
15:15	Outcome of break-out sessions
15:30	Closing panel
16:30	End of conference

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