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It strives towards a competitive European industrial battery value chain for stationary applications and e-mobility.

**CRM Objectives:**

Create and strengthen networks between the battery sector and ensure synergies with other European partnerships and initiatives.

Promote the development of the value chain of the production cycle of batteries for electric vehicles based on lithium, thus maximizing the added value resulting from the exploitation of national resources of this metal, Portugal being currently the country with the highest Li reserves shown in the European continent.

Increase competitiveness and improve the positioning of companies and universities based in Portugal and related to this theme.

European Alliance for Cross-Industrial Circular Economy Investment

Alliance for the Circular Economy is part of the Action Plan for this theme launched by the European Commission in March 2020. This plan integrates initiatives across the life cycle of products, promoting circular processes, sustainable consumption and keeping resources as long as possible, in the European economy. Circularity and resource efficiency are seen by the EU as a prerequisite for climate neutrality, in alignment with the Green Deal and the European industrial strategy.

The Alliance's ambition is to help deliver the Circular Economy Action Plan by accelerating the development of cutting-edge solutions.

The Alliance is composed of intermediary organisations (clusters, industrial parks...) with the capacity to lead and congregate efforts in the adoption and implementation of the economic solutions advocated for the circular economy of the future.

**CRM Objectives:**

Carry out and participate in matchmaking initiatives for the development of projects in the areas of materials and advanced manufacturing, circular economy, mining and process industry and Social Acceptance to Operate. CRM is a founding member of this alliance, to ensure the transfer of know-how to the national business sector and the opportunity to develop international projects in this area.

EUROPEAN  
RAW MATERIALS  
ALLIANCE



[ERMA.EU](http://ERMA.EU)

Metals, minerals and advanced materials are the key enablers for a globally competitive, green, and digital Europe. The European Raw Materials Alliance (ERMA) contributes to ensure a reliable, secure and sustainable access to raw materials, and is the first point of the action plan for the sector, out of a total of 10, launched by the European Commission in September 2020.

**CRM Objectives:**

Create and strengthen international networks in the Mineral Resources sector.

Promote the efficiency and circularity of Mineral Resources.

Improve the visibility and positioning of CRM associates in the European context and increase the possibilities of financing in the respective programs, with special emphasis on Horizonte Europa.



European Innovation Partnership on Raw Materials

[ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/raw-materials/eip\\_en](http://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/raw-materials/eip_en)

The European innovation partnership on raw materials is a stakeholder platform that brings together representatives from industry, public services, academia and NGOs. Its mission is to provide high-level guidance to the European Commission, EU countries and private actors on innovative approaches to the challenges related to raw materials. More recently it has been decided that this partnership will oversee ERMA's work and outputs.

**CRM Objectives:**

CRM is represented:

High-Level Group: was invited and appointed Luis Martins - Chairman of the Board of Directors who appointed Marta Peres (Executive Director) for the SHERPA group.

Operational Group: Marta Peres (Executive Director).

The objective is to have an active role in the construction of the European Raw Materials Strategies, where Mineral Resources are included, articulating them with the national strategies and priority interests.