

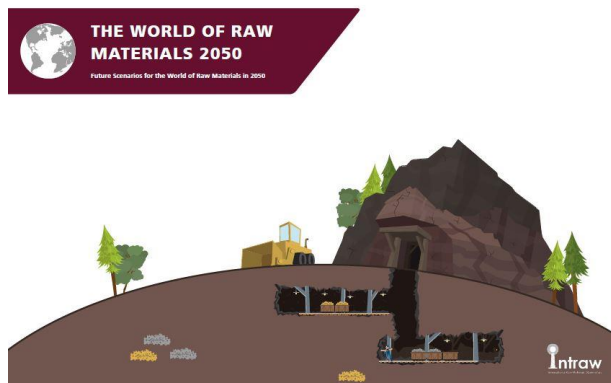
INTRAW scenarios: the world of raw materials in 2050

PRESS RELEASE | BRUSSELS | OCTOBER 2017 – The INTRAW project consortium is pleased to announce the release of a new brochure presenting three scenarios for the world of raw materials in 2050.

The EU-funded [INTRAW project](#) was launched in 2015 with the aim of mapping best practices and boosting cooperation opportunities related to raw materials between the EU and five technologically advanced non-EU countries (Australia, Canada, Japan, South Africa and the United States).

In a truly cooperative approach, the INTRAW project has elaborated, in a series of workshops run in 2016, three **scenarios that describe the world of raw materials in 2050**. Given the current

uncertainties that global politics have to deal with, scenarios are indeed an excellent means to prepare for the future and to safeguard against developments that are not desirable, but yet still plausible. The final scenarios, named “Unlimited Trade”, “Sustainability Alliance” and “National Walls”, are now available on the INTRAW website at <http://intraw.eu/the-world-of-raw-materials-2050/> and are presented in more detail in a new brochure that you may download at <http://intraw.eu/media-corner>.



The next step ahead for the project consortium is now the **launch of the International Raw Materials Observatory** during the European Commission’s Raw Materials Week (6-10 November 2017). The Observatory is a new independent, apolitical, international not-for profit organisation, set up to support international cooperation on mineral raw materials. The launch of the Observatory intends to provide a glimpse on the services the Observatory will be offering to its members, namely **foresight dialogues with key influencers** and **match-making services** for organisations active along the minerals materials value chain. Two major events are scheduled during the Raw Materials Week: the official launch of the Observatory during the EU-Advanced Mining Countries conference on 7 November 2017 and an open roundtable on the challenges of international cooperation on 8 November 2017. More information: <http://intraw.eu/launch-of-the-international-raw-materials-observatory/>

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