

Sustainable Mining in the Arctic Region

21 October 2014 – 14.00-17.00

Venue: Stockholm Region EU Office, Avenue Marnix 28, Brussels

The County of Norrbotten and the County of Västerbotten in Northern Sweden, cordially invite you to a seminar on sustainable mining in the Arctic region.

Norrbotten and Västerbotten have a long tradition of mining and the rich minerals and metals deposits have played an important role in the economic and social development in the region. The region is a major player in the Raw Materials field, contributing to 90% of the production of iron ore in the EU and also providing other valuable minerals and metals e.g. copper and gold. In order to ensure the continued sustainable growth of the mining industry in the region, the regional authorities have together with a broad partnership of stakeholders prepared a regional mineral strategy that sets up goals and measures that will contribute to economic, social and environmentally sustainable mineral extraction in the region. The seminar will give an insight into the challenges and opportunities that exist in the region linked to the continued growth of the mining industry.

The seminar will be followed by a reception.

Registration

Please use the [online registration](#). You will receive a confirmation of your registration prior to the event.

We look forward to receiving your registration and to welcoming you on October 21.

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13.30 Registration and coffee

14.00-14.05 Opening and introduction

Mikael Janson

Director, North Sweden European Office

14.05-15.05 Sustainable Mining Policies in Sweden

The Regional Mineral Strategy of Norrbotten and Västerbotten

Sven-Erik Österberg, County Governor

The County Administrative Board of Norrbotten

Magdalena Andersson, County Governor

The County Administrative Board of Västerbotten

Jörgen Niemann, Strategic Manager Business Development

Region Västerbotten

The Mineral's Strategy of Sweden

Bengt Wennerstein, Counsellor for Industry Policy

Permanent Representation of Sweden to the EU

RTD for the strategic area Production, Materials and Natural Resources

Dan Andrée, Special Advisor

Vinnova, Sweden's innovation agency

15.05-15.35 European Policy for Raw Materials

The Raw Materials initiative

Anne Auffret, Policy officer

European Commission, Directorate General for Enterprise and Industry

EIT mission and strategy

Glória Nunes Rodrigues, Policy officer

European Commission - Directorate General for Education and Culture

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15.35-15.45 Break

15.45-17.00 Challenges and opportunities – ongoing activities

The perspective of the industry

Göran Bäckblom, Vice President Public Affairs
LKAB

From exploration to recycling

Pierre Heeroma, Director Group Strategy and Business Development
Boliden

RTDI – Mining and metallurgy

Jenny Greberg, PhD, Assistant Professor Mining & Rock Engineering
Deputy Director CAMM (Centre of Advanced Mining and Metallurgy)
Luleå University of Technology

Maria Magdalena Holmgren, Project Manager
Center for Advanced Mining and Metallurgy, CAMM
Luleå University of Technology

Mining and sustainable regional development

Ulf Wiberg, Professor in Economic Geography
Umeå University

Covenant Circular Economy 2022, a “Raw Materials commitment” towards sustainable mining, European Innovation Partnership on Raw Materials

Raymond van Ermen, Executive Director
European Partners for the Environment (EPE)

Polish Mining Industry

Wiktor Kowalczyk, President
The Lower Silesian Mining Cluster

17.00 Closing words

Moderator

Reception

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