# European Battery Raw Materials Conference 2024 – Pre-Day Workshop overview

**Title:** Interactive Workshop: Demystifying Policy, Regulation & Sustainable Practices for the European Battery Supply Chain

**Date:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2024

**Time:** 9:45-17:30

**Location:** Hotel Okura, Amsterdam

# Why Attend?

This workshop offers a unique opportunity to interact with top experts, participate in engaging discussions, and gain actionable insights. Equip yourself with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate the complexities of the European regulatory landscape and drive your business towards sustainable success.

# **Speakers:**

- Vlad Olteanu, Senior Counsel EU Law & Policy, Loyens & Loeff & Strategic Advisor, RECHARGE (European Association of the Advanced Rechargeable & Lithium Batteries Value Chain)
- Julia Poliscanova, Senior Director, Vehicles & Emobility, Transport & Environment (T&E)
- Bozorg Khanbaei, Policy Officer, Batteries European Partnership Association (BEPA)
- Kinga Timaru-Kast, Director for Public Affairs and Communication, RECHARGE
- Susannah McLaren, Head of Responsible Sourcing & Sustainability, Cobalt Institute
- Giorgio Corbetta, EU Affairs Director, EUROBAT
- Sophie Myers, Lead Sustainability Consultant, Minviro

# **Workshop Format:**

- **Presentations:** Expert-led sessions providing in-depth insights into each regulation and its business implications.
- **Panels:** Discussions with Europe's leading battery supply chain experts, focusing on real-world challenges and solutions.
- Case Studies: Interactive case studies to illustrate the practical application of regulatory requirements.
- Roundtables: Small group discussions to foster peer learning and networking.
- **Q&A Sessions:** Opportunities to ask specific questions and get expert advice.

#### **Benefits for Attendees:**

- **Enhanced Knowledge:** Gain a thorough understanding of the regulatory landscape and its impact on the battery supply chain.
- **Compliance Mastery:** Learn how to stay compliant with the latest regulations and avoid costly penalties.

- **Strategic Insights:** Discover how these regulations will affect business needs, profits, and strategic projects.
- **Practical Tools:** Access to practical tools and techniques for sustainable reporting and supply chain due diligence.

#### Who should attend:

This workshop is designed for 30-40 professionals involved in the battery supply chain, from upstream, midstream and downstream, as well as investment strategists, supply chain analysts and sustainability managers.

# **Workshop Objectives:**

- To enhance attendees' understanding of the European regulatory landscape affecting the battery supply chain.
- To provide practical knowledge on compliance, sustainable reporting, and supply chain due diligence.
- To illustrate the implications of these regulations on strategic projects and investments.

# **Key Topics:**

# 1. Regulations Overview:

- Critical Raw Materials Act (CRMA)
- o EU Batteries Regulation:
  - Sustainability and Decarbonisation
  - Battery Passport
  - Supply Chain Due Diligence
- Net Zero Industry Act (NZIA)
- o European Green Deal:
  - Carbon Tax
- End of Life Recycling

# 2. Life Cycle Assessments:

- Understanding the environmental impact of batteries from production to disposal.
- o Strategies for minimizing the carbon footprint.

#### 3. Compliance:

- o Key compliance requirements under the new regulations.
- Steps to ensure full regulatory compliance to avoid legal and financial repercussions.

### 4. Supply Chain Due Diligence:

- Best practices for maintaining transparency and accountability in the supply chain.
- o Tools and techniques for effective due diligence.

### 5. Sustainable Reporting:

- Reporting requirements for sustainability metrics.
- o How to prepare and present reports that meet regulatory standards.

# **Agenda:**

9:00 - Registration, Networking & Refreshments

#### 9:45 - Introduction & Ice Breaker

Bansri Shah, Head of Production, Fastmarkets

#### 10:00- Presentation: EU Batteries Regulation

- Sustainability and Decarbonisation
- Battery Passport
- Supply Chain Due Diligence

#### 10:15 - Presentation: Net Zero Industry Act (NZIA)

- European Green Deal:
  - Carbon Tax

Kinga Timaru-Kast, Director, Public Affairs & Communications

# 10:30 Presentation: Critical Raw Materials Act (CRMA)

- Exploring key regulatory milestones affecting the battery landscape
- How will Europe strive to be less dependent on global concentrated supply

Giorgio Corbetta, EU Public Affairs Director, EUROBAT

### 10:45 - Presentation: Battery Circularity & Recycling

- Circular battery economy
- End of Life Recycling
- Assessing 2026 and beyond: how best to prepare?

Julia Poliscanova, Senior Director, Vehicles & Emobility, Transport & Environment (T&E)

#### 11:00 - Recycling Case Study with Umicore

Peter Verhees, Techno-Commercial Manager, Battery Recycling Solutions, Umicore

# 11:20- Networking Break and Refreshments

# 11:50- Deep Dive Panel: European Battery Regulations – What is the True Impact Across the Supply Chain?

Key experts will come together for a panel discussion, exploring all the key regulatory updates, and dive deeper into all the key regulations discussed in the morning presentations.

- Batteries Directive what will change in 2025 with the new Batteries Regulation?
- Net Zero Industry Act what technologies will be crucial for decarbonisation?
- Critical Raw Materials Act what has happened since April and what does the future look like?
- Battery Circularity & Recycling how will the supply chain become fully circular?
- What do these regulatory changes mean for the battery supply chain?

#### **Moderator:**

Vlad Olteanu, Senior Counsel EU Law & Policy, Loyens & Loeff & Strategic Advisor, European Association of the Advanced Rechargeable & Lithium Batteries Value Chain (RECHARGE)

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#### 13:00 - Panel Q&A

#### 13:15 - Lunch & Networking Break

#### 14:15 - Welcome Back & Introduction from Roundtable Hosts

• Each of our roundtable experts and table hosts will spend a minute introducing themselves, and their table topic to the audience.

#### Table hosts:

- Vlad Olteanu, Senior Counsel EU Law & Policy, Loyens & Loeff & Strategic Advisor, RECHARGE (European Association of the Advanced Rechargeable & Lithium Batteries Value Chain)
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# 14:15- Breakout into Roundtable Discussions

• Delegates have the option to chose from one of the four roundtables, where they will spend 45 minutes with their industry leading expert and table host, as well as other peers, to take a deep dive into their chosen topic.

#### Roundtables

- EV and battery tariffs what could the future of trade policy look like?
  Moderators:
- Julia Poliscanova, Senior Director, Vehicles & Emobility, Transport & Environment (T&E)
- 2. Tackling environmental due diligence and decarbonisation in the battery industry where do we go from here?

**Moderators:** 

Susannah McLaren, Head of Responsible Sourcing & Sustainability, Cobalt Institute

- 3. How Viable is it for European companies to meet all regulatory requirements by 2027?
- 4. What are the biggest challenges with battery recycling policies?

• Don't worry if you didn't get to speak to all of our experts in the breakout sessions. Each expert will provide an overview of the key takeaways from their roundtable, and engage in a panel style Q&A, where you can ask any unanswered questions, you may have.

# 15:30 - Networking Break & Refreshments

# 16:00- Interactive Presentation: LCA and Sustainable Sourcing in the Critical Minerals Industry

- Introduction to LCA and relationship with regulations
- Supply chain transparency and innovations in track and trace technologies
- A case study across the battery value chain
- The opportunity for impact reduction by increasing circularity
- The future of LCA and reporting requirements

Sophie Myers, Lead Sustainability Consultant, Minviro

17:00 - End of Workshop & Networking

17:30 - Welcome Drinks (open to all delegates)