



# Critical Raw Materials for Electric Vehicles

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**Task 40: Introduction, objectives and developments 2017 – 2022**

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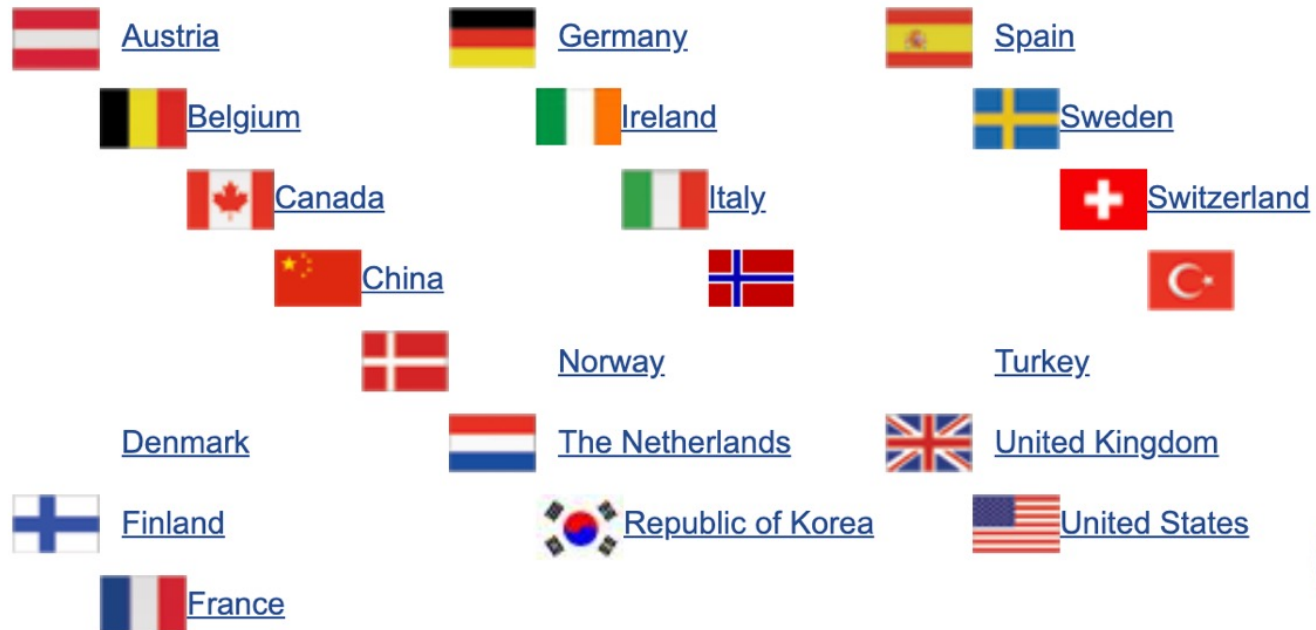
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# The Hybrid Electric Vehicle Technology Cooperation Programme

*An independent 19 country initiative in  
cooperation with the IEA and started in 1993*



***HEV TCP has started Task 40 CRM4EV in April 2018***

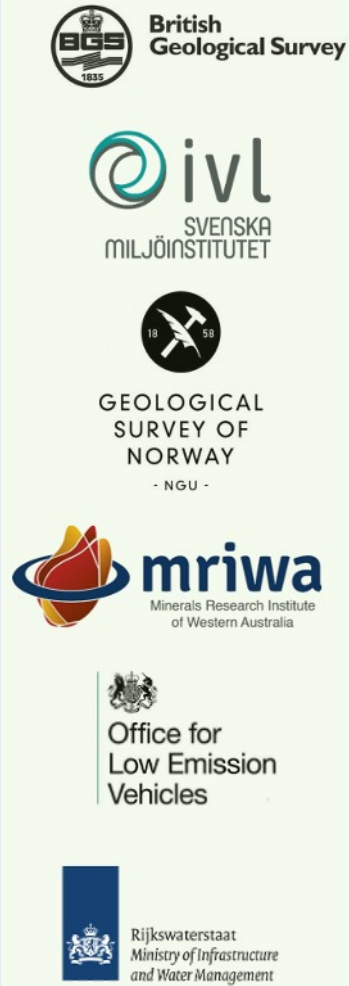


# CRM4EV participating countries and organisations 2018 - 2022

## IEA HEV Members



## Agencies



## Research



## Other participants



## Industry participants 4/2018 - 4/2021



# IEA HEV Task 40 CRM4EV

Connecting the  
raw material  
industry with  
electromobility

- **Mission**

- To supply objective information to the **Task 40 participants** & to **governmental policy makers** and agencies, industry decision makers and research institutes
- To facilitate international collaboration involving shared resources from multiple countries and organisations

- **Scope**

- Raising awareness (on the topic): expert networks, workshops, publications, and communication.
- Define supply and demand scenarios for EV deployment, battery technologies and key EV raw material requirements

# EVs and Critical Raw Materials:

*Stakeholders need reliable, transparent & up to date information*

## Critical Raw Materials - Supply

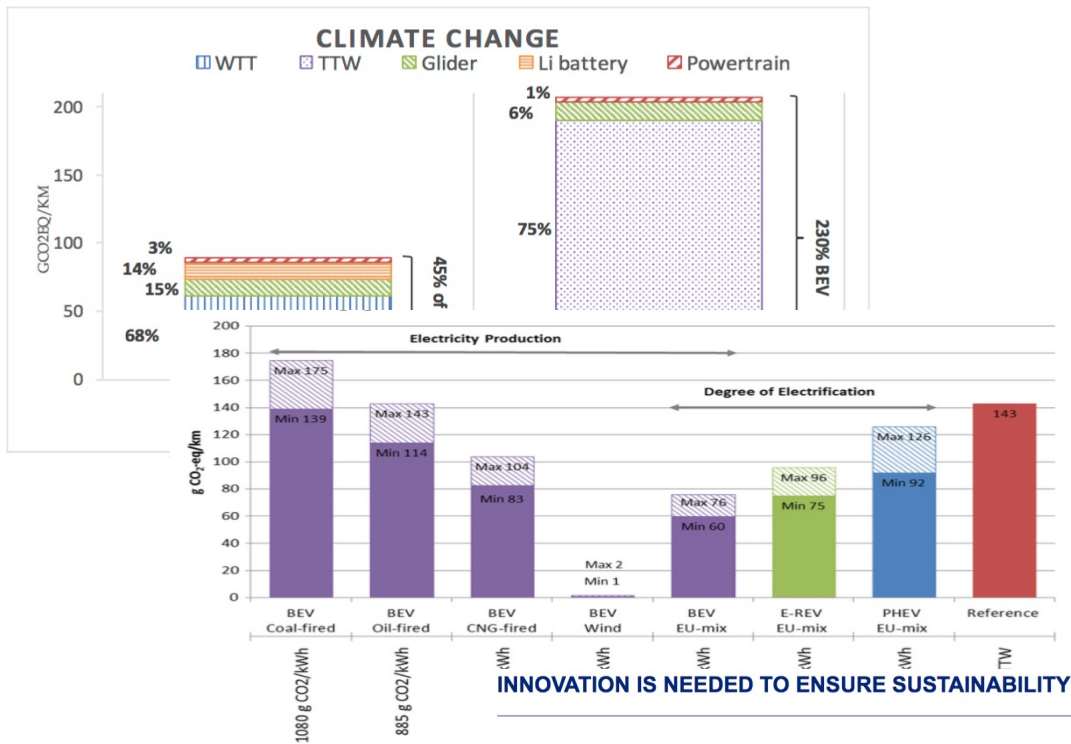
- Supply risks at short and long term?
- Environmental impacts?
- Social impacts?
- Recycling and the circular economy?
- *Li-Ni-Co-Cu-Graphite-Rare Earths*

## Electric Vehicles - Demand

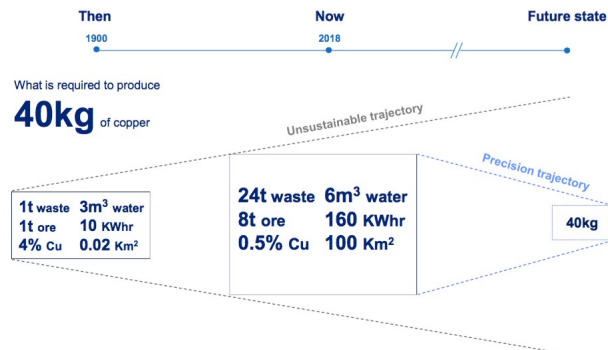
- How many, when, which type?
- When and to what extent will mass deployment happen
- How are EV technologies evolving which impact the type and quantity of CRMs required (per unit)?

**Geo-political risks were not specifically part of the scope**

# Reducing the Life Cycle impacts of EV batteries



- Entire EV lifecycle, raw materials key
- Focus GWP & primary energy demand
- Leveraging existing LCA studies and expertise of Task partners
- Harmonization of methodologies in existing CRM-LCA studies
- Current / future battery chemistries to consider in LCA



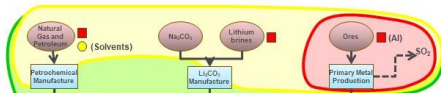
# Recycling in task 40 CRM4EV

## 2017 INTERNATIONAL LIB TRADE FLOWS

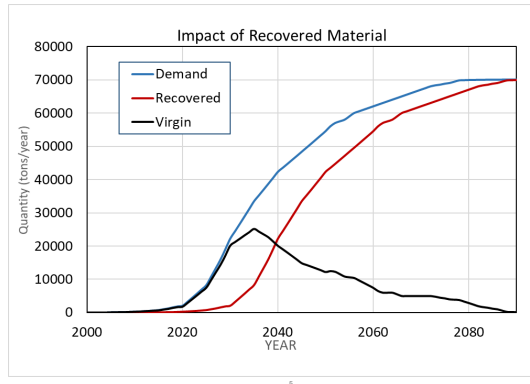
### SOME MAJOR ASSUMPTIONS



### LI-ION RECYCLING PROCESSES DISPLACE MATERIALS AT DIFFERENT PRODUCTION STAGES



### RECYCLING CAN REDUCE MATERIAL DEMAND... EVENTUALLY

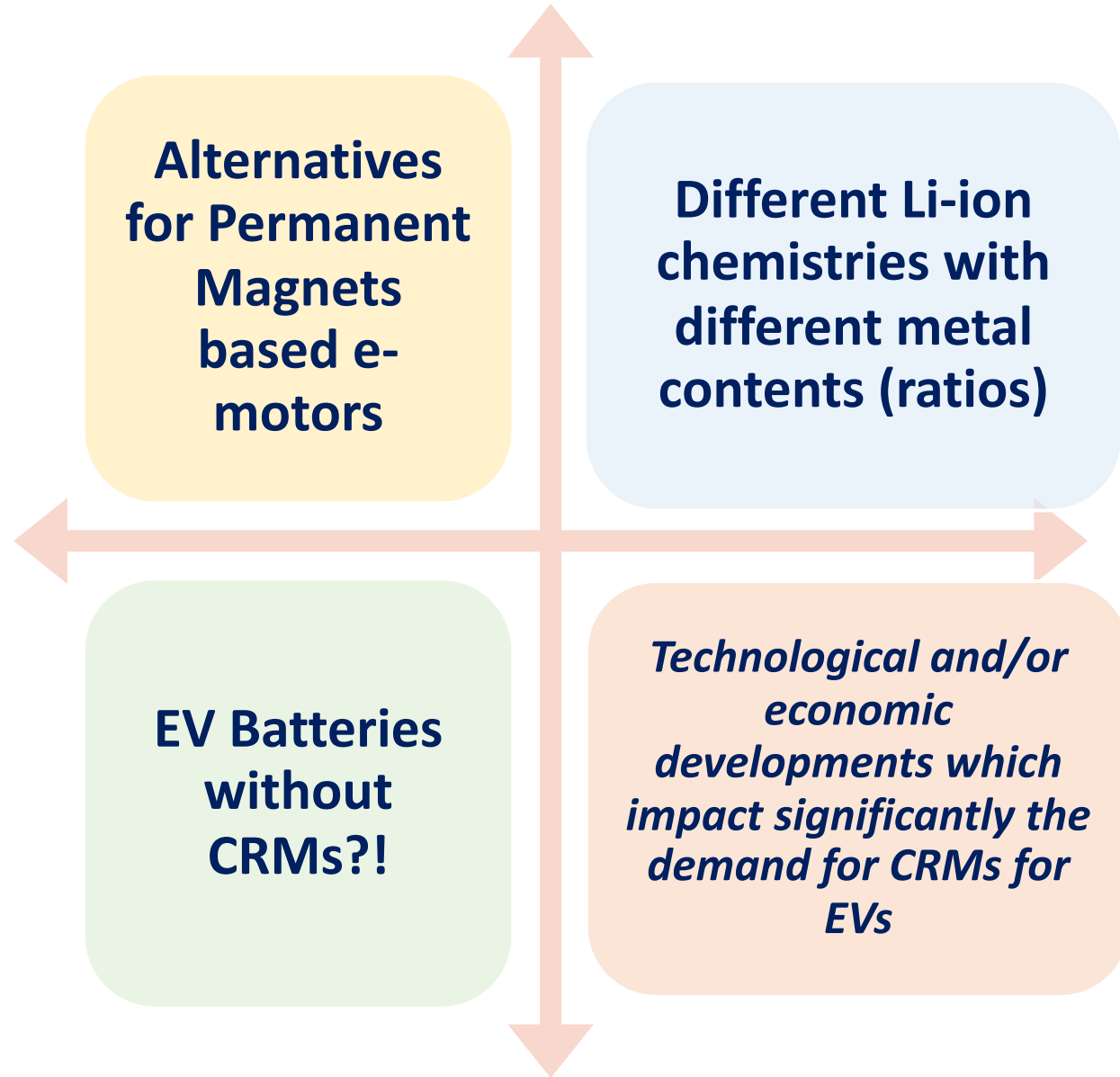


- Recycling as future source of raw materials (mass flow model, economics)
- Environmental impacts of recycling (input to Task 40 LCA model) versus use of virgin raw materials
- Evaluation of existing and future recycling processes (material yields, energy efficiency)



Also in scope:

Alternatives for  
Critical Raw  
Materials  
(applications)



# Task 40 CRM4EV: examples of outputs

- **Electric vehicle deployment, battery demand and raw material requirements scenarios (update every year)**
  - Passenger cars (Global, Fast movers, Rapid shift to zero/low-Cobalt battery chemistries)
  - Scenarios for all road vehicles and other battery applications
  - Impact of recycling, contained minerals stock (battery materials)
  - Passenger cars use of rare earth elements for electric drive and recycle potential
  - Avoided PGM mineral consumption scenario
- **Battery technologies paper (peer-reviewed by external experts)**
- **Meta study of (50+) EV and raw material forecasts**
- **3 Task 40 CRM4EV Workshops and site visits, virtual events as of 2020**
- **About 100 internal presentations by Task 40 participants and external experts and 15 presentations at external events**

# CRM4EV outputs

## Electric Vehicle transition scenarios

EV penetration 2030 likely to be (much) higher than forecasted

2019 of 14 million ton, resources 62 million ton; 2021: 21 million ton reserves and resources of 86 million ton)

Graphite: large potential for additional mining, also graphite is made through chemical

- Assume a strong domination of high nickel battery chemistries (2030 horizon); this concluded from the scenario details provided and CRM4EV analysis.

BEVs are lower in purchase cost than conventional cars around 2025, combined with lower fuel and maintenance cost this should accelerate growth

In many cases BEVs are already lower in TCO at present, lower taxes can be a deciding element

Battery market (GWh): Global scenarios, forecasts & targets 2030 for EV, ESS & CE

Scenario:	30% growth CRM4EV	40% growth CRM4EV	50% growth CRM4EV	GBA base	GBA target	EV30@30 midpoint	IEA STEPS	IEA SDS	BNEF	Road transport 100% electric "COP 21"

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Nickel demand (kton): CRM4EV scenarios "High LFP and High Mn Li-ion battery demand 2030" for EV

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### CRM4EV scenarios developed to date:

- Cover the external scenarios, both in BEV growth rate as well as battery chemistry mixes: CRM4EV "High NiCo Li-ion demand" scenario at 30% YoY growth
- Cover (much) higher BEV growth rates, in line with current trends and OEM/country ambitions (40% and 50%)
- Cover 3000 – 9000 GWh battery demand by 2030
- Cover the current trends in battery chemistries for commercial applications (LFP, high-Mn) as well as announced developments (High-Mn and LFP scenarios)
- Cover a higher penetration of electrification for heavy duty vehicles

### CRM4EV scenarios to be developed:

- Non-lithium based battery chemistries for commercial EV applications
- Faster than "expected" growth of Solid State Batteries
- Trends to reduce significantly (average) battery sizes of EVs

Scenario:	50% growth CRM4EV	GBA base	GBA target	EV30@30 midpoint	IEA STEPS	IEA SDS	BNEF	Road transport 100% electric "COP 21"
	8905	2332	3389	2651	1490	2980	1322	10230
	9195	2622	3679	2941	1687	3305	1612	10520
	97	89	92	90	88	90	82	97
	4400	1003	1398	1365	767	1463	706	4924
	2920	1061	1584		657	1584		3444
	1401							1487
	719	191	274	220	129	251	111	805
	820	214	290		109	263		918
	411							427
	1039	243	330	332	177	346	182	1189
		164	378		164	378		

Facts & Assumptions on batteries technology

Assumptions on key mineral availabilities and potential supply issues

External scenarios for (B)EV growth and sales

Assumptions on BEVs deployment

CRM4EV scenarios

## Battery and mineral demand scenarios

scenarios and external global scenarios

## April 2021: To execute additional work on new battery chemistries and technologies

- Significant developments in “zero/low” nickel/cobalt chemistries are on the horizon, we will evaluate status and potential impact
- Update of EV deployment scenarios, inclusion of commercial vehicles and buses
- Overall Li-ion battery demand (all applications): update
- Evaluation of 2021 studies and scenarios (IEA, BNEF)

*CRM4EV participants: 2018 – 2021: inclusion of industrial partners; final phase 2021 – 2022 focus on academic, expert and research stakeholders & avoid potential conflict of interest*

# Electric Vehicles & Policies 2015 - 2022

*180° turnaround*

*2015: 500k PEV*

*2019: 2.3 mio PEV*

*2021: 6.7 mio PEV*

*2022: > 10 mio PEV*



- **Up to 2015 considered to be a fantasy by (almost all) policymakers, industry & experts**
  - *Focus on Hydrogen, Natural Gas, ICE optimization.....*
- **In 2017 considered to be a nice but expensive niche solution with never more than a modest impact**
- **In 2019 industry and policymakers starting to accept it as short-term option to decarbonize transport**
- **In 2021: EV are the most important element to transition road transport to zero emission transport**
- **In 2022: War in Ukraine has / will further accelerate the transition from fossil fuels to renewables (= electricity) especially in Europe**