

Annual Conferences

Every November, the CMA (UK) hosts its Annual Conference in partnership with the Geological Society Business Forum. Our **3rd Annual Conference** in 2023, *The UK Opportunity for Critical Minerals*, was our biggest to date. We welcomed over 300 stakeholders from across the globe to Burlington House in London for a day of insightful panel discussions and presentations on building supply chain resilience.



The event attracted a diverse audience that highlighted the multidisciplinary nature of critical minerals. Some of our esteemed speakers included: David Stewart, **Agent-General for Queensland**; Hon. Ralph E. Goodale, **High Commissioner for Canada in the UK**; Ranj Pillai, **Premier of Yukon**; Hon. George Pirie, **Minister of Mines for Ontario**; HE Khalid Al-Mudaifer, **Vice-Minister of Mining Affairs for Saudi Arabia**; Natalie Camden, **Deputy Minister of Mines for Quebec**; and Nusrat Ghani MP, **Minister of Business and Trade for the UK**, who announced the release of the UK's Battery Strategy at our post-conference drinks reception.

Other organisations in attendance included Jaguar Land Rover, European Electronics Recyclers Association, National Manufacturing Institute Scotland, British Geological Survey, Innovate UK, Mining Association of the UK, Mineral Productions Association, Societe Generale, and the Society for Motor Manufacturers & Traders.

Membership Options

We offer three tiers of membership, but all members have an equal voice.

Junior Industry (<500 EE)

£5,500 per annum

Senior Industry (>500 EE)

£9,900 p/a

Academic Inst.

£1,100 p/a

To inquire about or apply for membership, go to criticalmineral.org/membership or contact kirsty@criticalmineral.org



CRITICAL MINERALS ASSOCIATION (UK)

The Critical Minerals Association (CMA) works to secure responsible critical mineral supply chains for UK policy ambitions and the global Net-Zero transition.

The CMA was founded in 2020 by Jeff Townsend and Kirsty Benham. Both of whom saw that UK's Green Industrial Revolution and Net Zero ambitions do not consider the monopolisation of today's critical mineral supply chains, and cannot be achieved without **a resilient and responsible supply of critical minerals**.

The Association **unites industry, academia and other actors** while pushing the government to address risks and disruptions in critical mineral supply chains. Our membership is diverse, aiming to **unite the entire value chain**. We represent small exploration firms to some of the largest mining companies globally, as well as consultancies, law firms, research institutions and support services.

Our Members



Membership Benefits

The CMA (UK) amplifies the voices of its members so they can collectively be at the forefront of influencing policy. Through the forums of our Working Groups, the Association prioritises members' concerns and:

- **Engages Government & Develops Policy:** We develop policy recommendations for advancing critical minerals supply resilience by bringing together expert knowledge and best practices across multiple sectors in the value chain.
- **Organises Events & Networking Across Sectors:** We organise convening and networking events, enabling our members to meet representatives from across UK and International Governments to hear from ministers and policymakers.
- **Produces Thought Leadership:** We produce technical reports, driven by members, for UK & International Governments, as well as wider stakeholders.
- **Provides Media & Outreach Opportunities:** We offer public speaking and engagement opportunities to our members via our media and event partnerships. Members also feature their announcements on our social media platforms and in our monthly newsletter, read by thousands around the globe.

APPG Events in 2023

As the **Secretariat to the the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Critical Minerals**, the Association creates unique opportunities for our members to meet officials and policy-makers from UK and foreign Governments. We organise events at the Houses of Parliament such as receptions and roundtables for foreign dignitaries, and knowledge-sharing forums on lithium and graphite.

Reception for HE the President of Zambia | The APPG for Critical Minerals welcomed UK Foreign Minister, the Rt Hon Andrew Mitchell, and His Excellency Mr Hakainde Hichilema and his delegation of Ministers, to the House of Lords for an evening celebrating the strengthening of UK-Zambian collaboration on critical minerals.



Minister Ghani in Conversation with Ed Conway | Then-chair of the APPG on Critical Minerals, Cheryl N Mackrory MP chaired an invite-only discussion at the Houses of Parliament between UK Business & Trade Minister Nusrat Ghani, the Economics Editor of Sky News, and a room of 60 industry members and academia.



Roundtable on Responsible Sourcing with UK EITI | After special introductions from Sir Tony Blair and Vice-Chair Baroness Northover, industry and government stakeholders were invited to share their experiences working with the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) in the UK and abroad.



The CMA also organises other events, such as:

- **Government Workshops:** In collaboration with other partners such as Satarla and IOM3, we deliver workshops and training sessions for government officials.
- **Webinars & Conferences:** We hosts many events on topics key to critical mineral supply chains, providing speaking opportunities for our members.
- **Networking Events:** We host cross-sector networking events, bringing together Industry, Government, Academia and support services to discuss diverse topics.



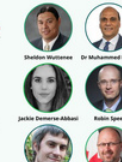
Call to Action for Next Generation Minerals | Together with the NERC-funded TARGET Mineral Resources Centre for Doctoral Training and Natural History Museum (NHM), we welcomed over 100 students, parents and teachers from across the UK to highlight exciting careers and diverse opportunities in the UK to work and study critical minerals.

CMA UK & UK Government at PDAC 2024 | We partnered to deliver a breakfast reception featuring speakers such as the British Consul General to Toronto, the British Deputy High Commissioner to Canada, and Canada's Minister for Innovation, Science & Industry. The event welcomed 200 attendees and featured additional presentations & panels.



First Nation Mining Delegation to the UK | With support from the CMA (UK), the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) hosted Indigenous Canadian leaders at the Geological Society in London for a series of roundtable discussions on the indigenous history of mining and the importance of community relations.

CMA (UK) Midstream Paper Launch | Members of industry and government were welcomed at the Materials Processing Institute for the launch of 'Midstream Processing & Refining: Unlocking Security of Supply', a report which was well-received and widely shared among UK, US and French government.



Critical Minerals Webinar with Government of Saskatchewan | To build on the UK-Canada MOU signed at PDAC 2023, we hosted a webinar with the Government of Saskatchewan to highlight critical minerals partnership opportunities and encourage further collaboration.

Southwest Trip with DBT & HM Treasury | We organised and joined UK Government on a 2-day tour of various mineral exploration and mine development sites in the Southwest of England, leading to the priority mentioning of critical minerals in HM Treasury's 2023 Autumn Statement.

