

Dialogue on Investing in Diversifying Critical Minerals Value Chains for Accelerating the Energy Transition

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Session Description

The meeting will focus on the critical role of sustainable finance in developing the infrastructure and capacity needed to responsibly exploit, process, and add value to these minerals and develop related industries along the value chain. Participants will discuss the importance of creating financial mechanisms that support long-term investments in mining, processing and industrial infrastructure in developing countries. The event will address the need for tailored investment approaches that consider the unique challenges of each country, particularly those with rich mineral resources but lacking the infrastructure and stable regulatory environments necessary to attract investment. The objective is to identify strategies that ensure investments in CETM-producing countries not only meet the immediate needs of the energy transition but also contribute to their long-term sustainability and mitigate the environmental impacts associated with mining.

Speakers



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