

# EIT Raw Materials: Support Centre for the Greek Raw Materials Community [GRAMASC]

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## **EIT RawMaterials – main points**

- EIT RawMaterials acts as an umbrella of connecting the EU triangle of Academia-Industry-Research.
- Main objective of EIT RawMaterials: to strengthen the EU Raw Materials sector by boosting competitiveness, growth and the attractiveness of the sector.

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- EIT RawMaterials acts as a business oriented Network for the EU enterprises. It is functioning in a business framework, with a Business Plan and Portfolio of services announced in a yearly basis.
- EIT RawMaterials adjusts its strategy and targets every year in accordance with the needs of the EU raw materials industry.
- Becoming part of EIT RawMaterials requires own contribution by every partner. However, this participation is considered to be an investment for the partners individually and the whole community of the EU Raw Materials Sector, having a common Return of Investment through the EIT RawMaterials actions and outcomes.

- Greece is a traditional mining region for Europe, with substantial primary and secondary resources, that significantly contributes to the EU supply in various raw materials.
- The excellence and competence of the Greek raw materials community is an asset for the European raw materials community. EIT RawMaterials provides the tools to transfer it to the other EU Member States.
- Greek raw materials community can claim excellence and competence from EIT RawMaterials. Its needs and research challenges can be addressed at a European level either through readily available solutions or common road mapping towards the solution.
- This transfer of excellence ensures a reliable pathway, reduced invest in time and research funds and brings benefits both for the national and the European raw materials sector.



- Greece is producing high-level Mining and Metallurgy Engineers, with high success rate at national and international level.
- The economic crisis has set boundaries to the exploitation of these high-level human resources.
- This prohibiting factor has to be transformed into opportunity by offering incentives to keep them within Greek borders and contribute over the boost of the Greek Raw Materials sector.
- The EIT RawMaterials makes this possible, with the development of alternative pathways and mainly by **blowing the business mentality to the new engineers.**
- This initiative will contribute to the strategic development of start-ups and SMEs that will answer to the needs of the Greek Raw Materials sector and will add to the recovery of the sector.



# Support Centre for the Greek Raw Materials Community - GRAMASC - The concept

- Laboratory of Metallurgy of National Technical University of Athens (NTUA) is an associated partner of EIT RawMaterials
- EIT RawMaterials and NTUA can serve as an intermediate facilitator to provide solutions and services to the Greek Raw Materials sector (industry, academia, governance) through the creation of the

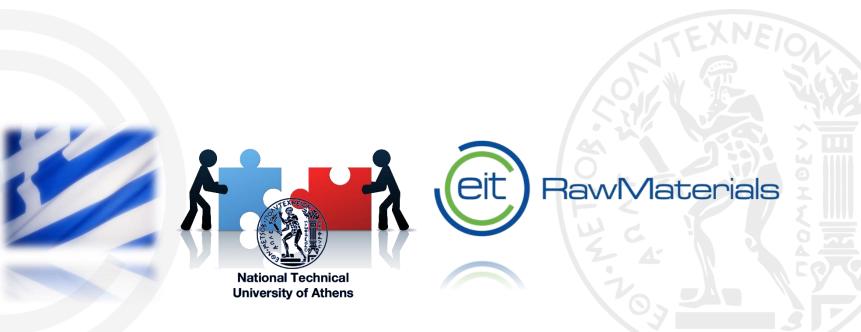
#### **EIT Raw Materials:**

### Support Centre for the Greek Raw Materials Community (GRAMASC)

 GRAMASC can form a vehicle for connecting all relevant stakeholders and play a vital role in promoting the competence and addressing the challenges and needs of the Greek Raw Materials community.



- GRAMASC will develop an information service and will provide communication about the EIT RawMaterials activities, but also about important projects, calls and strategies performed in Europe for the Raw Materials sector.
- GRAMASC will disseminate the EIT RawMaterials events in first stage and in second stage will ensure the participation of the interested Greek stakeholders in these events, even though not members.
- GRAMASC will promote the Greek agenda to the EIT RawMaterials and exert political pressure for inclusion of relevant issues raised by the Greek Raw Materials Community to the Business Plans.



- GRAMASC through the EIT RawMaterials will organise events to bring together the Greek and the European community for networking and matchmaking over common issues.
- Through GRAMASC, the Greek Raw Materials community will have uninterrupted access to the network services, even though not members.
- GRAMASC will act as a facilitator for addressing and resolving each issue with an individual approach.
- Services will include problem definition, roadmap actions, search within the network for existing solutions, identification of partners with a common issue, proposal organisation in funding schemes either inside or outside the EIT RawMaterials, feasibility studies, etc.

