

NOV. 17-18 BXLS

### **SCHEDULE:**

**DAY 2** (18 NOV.)

Antimony: The Element Europe Can't Ignore

Critical, strategic, indispensable

**8:45** Coffee and Registration

9:30 Welcome and Institutional Remarks

- Wim de Vos CEO, Campine
- **David Rose** Moderator

**9:45** Beyond Tariffs and Tensions: Crafting Europe's Competitive Edge in a Divided World

In a fragmented global landscape, Europe must rethink its industrial strategy to secure its economic future. Critical raw materials like antimony highlight the need for a resilient, competitive, and autonomous approach – balancing open trade with sovereignty, and innovation with security.

- Dr. Antonios Nestoras Founder and CEO, European Policy Innovation Council
- **James Watson** Director General, Eurometaux
- Peter Tom Jones Director, SIM2 KU Leuven

**10:30** Invisible but Essential: Antimony's Role in Europe's Green and Sovereign Future Often overlooked, antimony is vital to Europe's energy transition and strategic autonomy. It strengthens batteries, enhances solar technologies, and plays a key role in defence – from ammunition to flame-retardant materials. Unlocking its potential is essential for decarbonisation, innovation, and industrial resilience.

- Speaker on behalf of BSEF
- Francesco Gattiglio Vice President External Affairs, Albemarle Europe
- TBC

# 11:15 Antimony and Power: How China's Export Controls Are Redrawing the Industrial Map

China's dominance in antimony exports poses strategic risks for Europe. It threatens industrial competitiveness and highlights the need for diversification, stronger supply chains, and a unified response to safeguard economic and geopolitical stability.

- **Denis Redonnet** Deputy Director General of DG TRADE, European Commission
- Fabian Zuleeg Chief Executive, European Policy Centre

#### 12:00 Lunch and Networking

# 13:30 Closing the loop: The future of Antimony Recycling in Europe's Industrial Strategy

Antimony recycling is key to Europe's circular industrial strategy. Recovering antimony from waste streams can reduce import dependency, support sustainability goals, and strengthen supply chain resilience.

• Morvan Gaudin – Researcher, DEEEMines

## **14:00** Antimony in Innovation: Unlocking the Next Frontier in Materials and Technologies

Antimony is driving innovation in batteries, flame retardants, and semiconductors – but rising prices and supply risks challenge its future. Industries are exploring substitutes like zinc borate, and phosphorus compounds to balance performance, cost, and sustainability.

- Liam Farley Founder and CEO, Xcelsior Capital
- Nik Jovanovski Managing Director, Pela Global
- Scott Eldridge Chief Executive Officer, Military Metals Corp.

#### 14:45 Coffee Break

#### 15:15 Strategic Outlook: Antimony Market Update: Supply, Demand

Antimony demand is rising while supply remains constrained by geopolitical shifts and export controls. With prices surging and mining concentrated in few regions, Europe faces strategic decisions on diversification, recycling, and long-term resource planning.

- Cristina Belda Deputy Editor, Argus Media
- Nils Backeberg Founder and Director, Project Blue
- Stefan Muller CEO, DGWA

### **16:00** Wrap Up

• Raymond Devaux – President, I2A

19:00 Social Event