



ANTIMONY DAY 2025

## **Antimony: the Element Europe Can't Ignore**

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### **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

**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 Grattiglio** – 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
- TBC

### 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, DGW

**16:00** Wrap Up

- **Raymond Devaux** – President, I2A

**19:00** Social Event