MINERAL RAW MATERIALS AND ENERGY

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Most elements in the periodic table are essential to the innovative technologies required to address mankind's energy problems





Energy storage Connectivity Energy saving Catalysis (fuel cells)





Electricity generation and storage Lighting Elements specific to nuclear Supraconductors electricity generation Photovoltaics Permanent magnets for windmills and 1/8 The energy sector contributes to the rapid demand growth for a wide range of minerals and metals.

The production of minerals and metals requires in turn an important share of the global energy production (currently about 10.5%) and generates related emissions (CO2, sulfur and nitrogen oxydes, particulate matter, mercury from coal production, radionucleides from coal combustion and rare earth production...).

Some renewable energy production systems such as windmills allow to recover in 4-6 months the energy invested in their production, with a lifetime of 10-20 years.

Average annual world production growth rate observed for a selection of metals over a 50, 30 and 15 years period



Average additional annual amount of metals (in % of 2012 world production) required by the International Energy Agency 450 scenario

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Average energy required for the production of 1 tonne (in GJ per tonne, right scale, orange dots) and total energy required for the 2012 world production of a selection of metals (in PJ, left scale, blue bars)



Average annual amount of metals (in metric tonnes per MW) required by different energy production technologies





In 2050, the **cumulative** amount of concrete, steel, AI, Cu and glass sequestered in wind and solar facilities will be 2 to 8 times the 2010 world production. This comes in addition to all the requirements of 10 billion terrestrians in 2050!

Circular economy: absolute decoupling beween desired growth and its negative impacts. A long-term objective and many obstacles in its way

