The Role of Innovation in Strengthening Critical Minerals & Metals Supply Chains

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Why secure critical minerals & metals supply chains? Why is innovation important?

- Critical minerals & metals are key for clean energy technologies.
 - Essential for climate mitigation
 Industrial competitiveness
 Energy security
 - ⇒ Strong demand for critical minerals & metals.
- A few challenges to supply-chain security, and no ready solution:

 - Geographical concentration
 Long mining project timelines, etc...
- Innovation is key to making the supply chains robust and resilient.

Various Types of Innovation...

New extraction technologies

Reducing material intensity

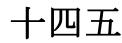
Material substitution

Recycling & Recovery

Innovation is a Top Focus in Key Government Strategies and Policies.



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