Quote from Rolf Kuby, Director General of Euromines:

Anyone who is willing to scrutinize the work of Euromines and its members objectively will ascertain two facts: mining is conducted at a uniquely high level of environmental protection in Europe, secondly, if we fail to do more and take mining more seriously in Europe, then the Green Deal will be made in China, with concomitant costs on human rights and environmental performance.

Our members support and will continue supporting, the EU Green Deal agenda, upholding and providing meaning to environmental standards and human rights in their operations. This is well documented in many of our past statements and above all through the outstanding actions of our members. They are leaders in global industry transformation, actively applying the strictest possible health, safety, and environmental standards.

Seeking to move forward from a situation of administrative shortcomings and concerns over inconsistencies and bottlenecks that entrench unpredictable procedures is part of any policy-making dialogue. We are open to discussing the rationale of our submissions with all parties interested in finding solutions. We look forward to cooperating with everyone who takes the responsible and sustainable transformation of European Industry seriously. As a major enabler of the Green Deal, we will continue to contribute to responsible and sustainable transformation in the EU. This can only happen with an increase in supply of responsibly produced raw materials.