Presentations



Business Lunch Talk about Future Topics in Raw Materials 21th March 2011 in Brussels

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Introduction

The latest Business Lunch Talk was held in Brussels on the 21th March 2011. About 30 participants from 11 EU Member and Associated States attended the meeting in order to discuss future topics in Raw Materials.

Attention towards raw materials for non-energetic industrial production has gathered increasing momentum with the adoption of "the raw materials initiative" in November 2008 and the Europe 2020 Strategy, including such flagships such as "Industrial policy for the globalisation era", "Innovation Union" and "Resource Efficiency". Materials for non-energetic applications were identified as a potential European Innovation Partnership in Innovation Union. Raw materials-related topics are also included or foreseen in FP7 in the Work Programme for Theme 4 "Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and New Production Technologies - NMP".

The presentations gave an overview of current activities in the field of raw materials, with emphasis on activities on the European level and national activities in France and Germany, and also outlined the challenges facing the world with ever increasing demands for industrial strategic raw materials, tackling both technological and non-technological barriers to innovation.

Keeping in mind that materials innovation is an important driver for all technical innovations and is increasingly impacting emerging technologies, Renzo Tomellini, Head of Unit "Added-value Materials" in the Research & Innovation Directorate-General, gave an insight into current European activities in raw materials. He highlighted that addressing the challenges of Raw Materials within the Commission requires co-ordination across Commission DGs. With regard to the European Innovation Partnerships, it was felt in the subsequent discussion that more consideration should be given to financial engineering and the involvement of the Member States.

Representatives of two European Technology Platforms, ETP SMR and EUMat, discussed the main issues of European Mining as well as those of the mineral and chemical industries related to the raw materials sector. Suggesting that the mining topics had not been supported at appropriate levels in FP6, Henryk Karás, the chairman of ETP Sustainable Mineral Resources, welcomed the return towards raw materials and mining topics in FP7. Manfred Diehl, representative of EUMat and Vice President for EU Governmental Affairs at Umicore, discussed the existing funding instruments and shared Umicore's vision of an 'ideal' funding programme, with continuous funding possibilities throughout the innovation chain from R&D to demo pilot plant. He identified this as another area characterised by the "European paradox", that EU has a world-leading position on many aspects of the scientific aspects of Raw Materials but often fails to convert this science into innovation.

In the presentations and following discussion, there was a consensus of opinion about the crucial fields of activities:

- Exploration and mining
- Substitution
- Recycling
- Resource efficiency

These pillars are reflected in the raw materials strategies of many Member States. In order to facilitate the identification of research priorities to be solved on European level, a collection of existing national strategies in Raw Materials was felt to be valuable. Starting with the website of the European Commission <u>http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/raw-materials/documents/index_en.htm</u> (where links to national raw materials strategies are listed) further links need to be compiled.

The Business Lunch Talk is a direct outcome of the FP6 Specific Support Action "SMART", a foresight activity in materials technology. Since the European strategic materials actions were felt to be fragmented, a networking platform "MaterialsEuroRoads" was set up after the SMART project to coordinate and accelerate efforts in this area. An annual meeting was also initiated to facilitate the dialogue between materials foresight activities / researchers and funding bodies in the Member States and in Europe as a whole.

After two meetings, the Annual Meeting of MaterialsEuroRoads (March 2007 in Paris and May 2008 in London) with fruitful discussion about the way forward in materials technology, the format of this meeting was improved by creating a more condensed version with respect to time frames and audience. This was the beginning of the "Business Lunch Talk", which first took place in Brussels in July 2008 and was followed by meetings in Brussels, in October 2009 and in February 2011.

These proceedings collect the four presentations and a speech given at the Business Lunch Talk on 21th March 2011. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the speakers for their stimulating presentations and also to Lee Vousden for his skilful moderation of the event. We also express our gratitude to the attendees for their contributions in the closing discussion.

We hope you find the presentations interesting and informative.

The National Delegates / National Contact Points for NMP of France, Germany and the United Kingdom

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Agenda for Business Lunch Talk about Future Topics in Raw Materials, 21th March 2011

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12.00	Arrival of the participants, lunch and coffee				
12.45	Opening ; Overview about the German funding activities in R Materials (Dr.Herbert Zeisel)				
12.55	Dr. Renzo Tomellini (European Commission; DG RTD/DGG3/C Research and innovation action in raw materials sector in Theme 4 NMP, including Innovation Partnerships on Raw Materials for a Modern Society				
13.25	Dr. François Piuzzi (Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche, CEA) <i>Raw Materials Initiatives in France</i>				
13.45	Mr. Henryk Karás (Chairman ETP SMR) <i>Implementation Action Plan of the ETP SMR</i>				
14.05	Dr. Manfred Diehl (Umicore, EUMat) Raw Materials: Research activities of academia and industry in Germany				
14:25 Discussion	 What are the joint interest of the member states, industry (ETPs) and academia in raw materials? Which research priorities should be solved on European level? Which are the appropriate funding instruments? 				
15:00	End of the event; Coffee and possibility for informal discussions				

















Funding measure "MatRessource" within the BMBF Programme WING Materials for a resource efficient industry and society - MatRessource

Substitution, efficient use of materials and (Nano-)Recycling

Development in innovative materials with regard to substitution of materials, increased materials yields, recycling of nanomaterials

Corrosion protection

Extending the operating lifetime of components and industrial plants , increasing efficiency in energy production, reduction of environmental impact

Catalysis and process optimisation

Securing the raw materials supply, enhancement of the materials efficiency in order to protect the environment and to secure the quality of life, Process optimisation and process safety

Proposal submission: February 2011 and 2012











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Impact ofAdvanced Material Technology

Impact of advanced material technology on ICT, Energy & Biotechnology (% growth attributable to advanced materials)

	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020	2030
ІСТ	15	25	40	55	65	75	85
Energy	10	15	30	45	55	65	70
Biotechnology	5	10	20	30	45	55	65

Advanced materials have an earlier & greater impact in ICT (incl. electronics), followed by Energy (incl. construction) and Biotechnology (incl. health)

Source: Sanford M. Moskowitz, « The Advanced Materials Revolution », John Wiley & Sons Inc, 2009



























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What are European Innovation Partnerships?

WHY?

To pool efforts for breakthroughs

WHAT?

They are a new way of **bringing together public and private actors** at EU, national and regional level to tackle the big challenges we face such as climate change, energy and food security, health and an ageing population. These challenges also represent opportunities for new business and the Partnerships will aim to give the EU a first-mover advantage in these markets.

WHEN?

The first Partnership deals with <u>active and healthy ageing</u> and aims to add an average of two years of healthy life for everyone in Europe.











































as proposed in ANCRE Annua	al meeting in march)			
duration: 10 ans	Global Running Cost: 2	00 M€(without public salaries		
beginning 2012	infrastructure: 30 M€			
Coordination: CNRS				
Public establishments	<u>Companies</u>	International networ		
BRGM, CEA, CNRS, Ifremer Universities, and « Grandes Ecoles » <u>Funding Agencies</u> ANR, ADEME, FUI,	 > Areva, Eramet, Imeris, Renault, Rhodia, St Gobain, Veolia > « Pôles de compétitivité » > Agences régionales de développement > SME, 	 Europe (ERA-NET) Germany, UK, Finland, Ungary, Slovaclia, Sweden, North America Canada (Quebec) Africa and ACP countries 		

















Source, GTK, Finland



ETP SMR stakeholders representing the					
mineral industry sector in Europe					
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GTK, Finland;	Producers;				









New situation of extractive industry in the EU from the year 2007.

Public introduction of the EC Working Document *SEC (2007) 771* in June 2007 by DG Ent. & Industry which described the situation of non-energy raw materials branch in the EU.

Main topics of the document:

1. Importance of raw materials for the EU economy.

2. Trends on the international raw material markets.

3. Risks associated with the supply of raw materials for the EU economy.

4. Lack of the European policy in non-energy raw materials.













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7	NCBIR	Poland
8	BMBF	Germany
9	BIS	UK







EIP - the opportunity for European economy and for European mineral sector: Novel technologies for exploration, minerals extraction and processing; process control through intelligent IT based systems; New technological processes for treatment of and extraction of polymetallic materials; Innovative methods for gaining value from waste; Complete utilization of resources from secondary materials and scrap treatment to development of combined highly-efficient technologies for metals recovery from scraps and multi-metallic and multimaterial (e-scrap) waste.







Umicore view on an "ideal" FP 8 Programme

Europe in the past has been facing the problem that many excellent R&D results could not be transferred into market products and business for European industry, but were finally marketed by Asian companies. This lack of innovation is also mirrored by the present FP 7 Programme which focuses on R&D and small pilot scale and is ending there. There is no opportunity for companies to receive funding for the next step towards a market product and this step is requiring more effort, expenditures and comprehends higher risk.

At the same time, Europe has demonstrated continuous leadership in the industry for technology materials for key applications, such as automotive catalysts, and new developments, such as energy storage, renewable energies, flat panel displays or energy efficient lighting.

Many European and particular German companies excel in metal based material solutions and are world-leader in their respective fields: Heraeus, H.C. Starck, Chemetall, Süd-Chemie, Plansee, BASF, Umicore, Johnson Matthey and Rhodia to name but a few. This European leadership in technology materials depends heavily on intensive continuous research and development.

Due to its expertise in materials science, combined with a structural shortage of natural resources, Europe has historically been at the forefront of recycling technologies. Our recycling industries have developed and deployed best-in-class technologies and have been at the vanguard of developing a more sustainable landscape for industry and consumers alike. These technologies are also essential in increasing the resource security for Europe. The Raw Materials Initiative addresses this issue which has relevance for many Directorates General.

The new tool of PPPs, which are very much end consumer and market pull driven, in the present structure implies the risk that crucial development work in tier 4 or 5 companies (and that is in most of the cases materials technology) is not on the radar screen of this very much market driven approach. However, none of the grand societal challenges can be solved without further progress or break throughs in materials technology.

How could a FP 8 structure overcome the above-mentioned issues? In my view there is no one fits all solution. So our proposal would go into 2 different models supplementing each other.

1. For some well defined areas we would form small efficient clusters of major stakeholders from industry, where universities, institutes or even municipalities and regions could be associated. These clusters should comprise in a well defined area the whole value chain from raw material providers to end consumer manufacturers and in order to close the material loop recycling. There is already a quite good example with the existing JTIs, where Umicore is a member of the Hydrogen and Fuel Cell JTI. However, the complex legal structure and the double administration is major drawback, but can be overcome. The advantage is that major stakeholders in the respective area are setting their own ambitious targets and discuss and decide on the roadmap how to achieve those targets. All projects have to be in line with the roadmap.

A 2nd example going the same direction is the German Electro-Mobility Platform, which is under formation. Again here major stakeholders, predominantly from industry, are defining a 10 years programme in order to bring Germany by 2020 into a globally leading position in electro-mobility. This is only feasible if the approach again comprises the whole value chain and when the activities over the value chain are highly aligned. Again from the start materials technology and recycling have a major emphasis there.



We believe for several European key areas a limited number of those highly efficient industrial clusters could be established. When the whole value chain is involved and the development processes are adjusted over the value chain it is driven by end consumer needs and guaranties that basic R&D in materials can be as quick as possible transferred into market products.

2. For other core topics not organised as such industrial cluster a broader more general set of programmes should be established. Here it is crucial that these programmes are addressing different sectors of the development chain from fundamental R&D over pilot to 1st demo or semi industrial scale plants. Already today we have a similar structure with FP 7 aiming at fundamental and applied research, CIP for pilot and LIFE+ for demo and 1st mover industrialisation. However these programmes have completely different addressees so that they cannot build on each other. Ideal would be if a consortium, which successfully terminated an R&D project, could without big time gap go into the next phase in the same or in another programme and continue with process development and up scaling into pilot. Again after a successful pilot funding for a 1st demo or semi industrial pilot plant should be available. Project durations should be kept flexible according to the progress which could shorten the allover timeline from research to market product.

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