### Acquisition Brief — MineralSovereignty.com (EN)



### **Asset proposed**

- **Domain name:** MineralSovereignty.com (.com, exact-match)
- **Nature:** descriptive digital asset designed as a neutral banner for the concept of *mineral sovereignty*:

the ability of a state, regional bloc (EU, G7, etc.) or industrial ecosystem to secure, over time, robust, diversified and sustainable value chains for critical and strategic raw materials (lithium, cobalt, nickel, copper, rare earths, magnesium, graphite, etc.) that are essential to green, digital, defence and industrial transitions.

### Not included:

- No advisory services (strategy, M&A, industrial policy, ESG, geopolitics).
- No brokerage, trading or intermediation activity on raw materials.
- No software, database, proprietary model or certified methodology.
- No label, certification or official opinion on supply security, sustainability or human rights.

### **Contacts (suggested)**

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#### 1. Purpose of this document

This document is intended to help a decision-making body (Cabinet, Ministry, Agency, Board, Executive Committee) assess:

- what the asset MineralSovereignty.com actually is (and is not);
- how the concept of *mineral sovereignty* fits into the 2025–2035 landscape;
- potential use cases for a state, regional bloc, industrial consortium or private actor;
- how an exact-match .com can serve as a neutral banner for programmes, observatories, indices, data platforms or public-private alliances;
- a simple, secure acquisition process compatible with institutional practices.

This document is a **conceptual acquisition note**.

It does **not** provide legal, financial, tax, environmental, social or medical advice and is **not** a regulated marketing communication.

### 2. What MineralSovereignty.com is / is not

### 2.1 Definition - "mineral sovereignty"

**MineralSovereignty.com** is a descriptive .com domain name for the concept of *mineral* sovereignty, understood as:

The capacity of a state, regional bloc, alliance or industrial ecosystem to secure resilient, diversified and sustainable value chains for critical and strategic raw materials required for its climate, digital, defence and competitiveness objectives.

In the European Union, this logic is reflected in the **Critical Raw Materials Act (CRMA)**, which sets 2030 benchmarks to:

- **extract** at least 10 % of the EU's annual consumption of certain strategic raw materials domestically;
- process at least 40 % of that annual consumption within the EU;
- recycle at least 25 % of those volumes;
- ensure that no more than 65 % of the EU's annual needs for each strategic raw material at any relevant stage of processing comes from a single third country. European Commission+1

#### Mineral sovereignty, in this sense, covers:

- reducing over-reliance on a handful of countries or firms for extraction, refining and processing; <u>Intereconomics+1</u>
- developing domestic capacities (mines, refineries, metallurgy, recycling); MINES
   PARIS PSL+1
- managing environmental, social and governance impacts along supply chains;
   SYSTEMIO+1
- arbitraging between new extraction, substitution, circularity and demand-side efficiency.

### **MineralSovereignty.com** is designed as a neutral banner for:

- "Mineral Sovereignty Frameworks" in industrial, energy, defence and economic security strategies;
- observatories, dashboards and indexes on mineral vulnerability and resilience;
- taskforces or councils on critical raw materials;
- **labs** or think tanks focusing on critical material supply chains (batteries, permanent magnets, defence, electronics);
- **data rooms** and collaborative platforms for strategic extraction–processing–recycling projects.

### 2.2 What MineralSovereignty.com is not

#### MineralSovereignty.com is **not**:

- a public authority, regulator or official agency;
- a mining, metals or recycling operator;
- a certified industrial policy or ESG tool;
- a registered trademark of a financial, industrial or consulting service;
- an official standard of the EU or any international organisation.

#### The seller:

- does not provide any regulated service (investment advice, asset management, rating, legal or regulatory advice);
- does not take a position on specific mining projects or on the social and environmental performance of such projects.

The acquirer remains solely responsible for:

- all services, content, tools and alliances deployed under MineralSovereignty.com;
- complying with all applicable legal, regulatory and contractual obligations;
- conducting appropriate due diligence on human rights, climate, environment and communities.

#### 3. Target audience for MineralSovereignty.com

# **Public institutions & policy community**

- European institutions and Commission services (industry, internal market, energy, climate, research, defence). <u>Marché Intérieur, Industrie, PME+1</u>
- National governments and ministries (Industry, Energy, Mines, Environment, Economy, Defence, Foreign Affairs). <u>IRIS+1</u>
- Economic security agencies, sovereign investment funds, export credit agencies.
- Standard-setting bodies, industrial alliances and strategic project platforms.

#### **Industrial sectors**

- Mining and metals groups (base metals, specialty metals, rare earths).
- Battery and EV value chains, wind and solar industries, hydrogen, grids and power equipment. <u>Marché Intérieur, Industrie, PME+1</u>
- Defence, aerospace and space industries.
- Electronics and advanced compute (semiconductors, data centres, Al hardware).

# **Ecosystem & knowledge actors**

- Think tanks and foundations working on raw materials, climate, industrial policy and justice issues. <u>Greenpeace+1</u>
- Universities, geology schools, mining institutes, engineering schools. MINES PARIS - PSL+1
- Global consulting firms (industry, raw materials, climate, geopolitics).

#### 4. Why MineralSovereignty.com is strategic (2025–2035)

#### 4.1 Critical raw materials at the core of transitions

EU lists of **critical** and **strategic** raw materials highlight the importance of metals and minerals for:

- clean energy technologies (wind, solar, grids, electrolysers, batteries);
- digital infrastructure (semiconductors, data centres, AI, telecoms);
- aerospace, defence and space. Marché Intérieur, Industrie, PME+1

Demand projections show multi-fold increases (6× to 12× for certain metals by 2030–2050), putting structural pressure on supply chains. Marché Intérieur, Industrie, PME+1

### 4.2 From dependency to sovereignty strategies

The EU remains highly dependent on a small number of third countries for extraction and especially refining of many critical materials, with China dominating several segments of mining and processing. <a href="Intereconomics+1">Intereconomics+1</a>

The **CRMA** and national strategies are designed to:

- diversify imports and build reliable partnerships;
- accelerate domestic projects in mining and processing; <u>Learn and Connect+1</u>
- scale up circularity and recycling of CRM-rich components;
- reduce excessive dependence on any single country or supplier.

Mineral sovereignty becomes a core **economic security** and **industrial resilience** topic. IRIS+1

#### 4.3 Geopolitics & economic security doctrines

Recent debates on export controls, mineral deals, sanctions and new economic security doctrines in Europe and the UK confirm the strategic sensitivity of critical minerals.

Reuters+1

MineralSovereignty.com provides a neutral, intelligible banner to:

- frame these issues at the level of a state, bloc or sector;
- convene public-private dialogue (mining, metals, tech, finance, diplomacy);
- communicate with partners, investors and citizens in a language that is explicit and non-corporate.

#### 4.4 Why an exact-match .com matters

- **Conceptual clarity:** *Mineral sovereignty* is already used in policy, academic and civil society debates, and is directly intelligible to international audiences. <a href="Ifri+1">Ifri+1</a>
- **Board-level readability:** the pairing of *mineral* and *sovereignty* speaks to industry, energy, defence, strategy, finance and foreign affairs leaders.
- Defensible semantic position: an exact-match .com allows the acquirer to anchor a narrative and conceptual framework without being tied to a single corporate brand.
- **Flexible deployment:** the name can support a public programme, alliance, lab, data platform or think tank without predetermining the business model.

#### 5. Illustrative use cases

### 1. "Mineral Sovereignty Taskforce" (state / EU / regional bloc)

- Inter-ministerial governance linking industrial policy, energy, defence, climate and foreign affairs. <u>Marché Intérieur, Industrie, PME+1</u>
- 2030–2040 roadmap for extraction, refining, substitution, recycling and "mining diplomacy".
- Neutral interface with companies, regions and international partners.

### 2. "Mineral Sovereignty Observatory & Index"

- Public or public-private observatory hosting:
  - o dashboards on dependencies by metal / country / sector;
  - resilience indicators (diversification, domestic capacities, recycling, innovation);
  - o regular publications and risk scenarios.
- Mineral Sovereignty Index rating countries or sectors by vulnerability.

### 3. "Critical Mineral Supply Chains Hub" data platform

Under MineralSovereignty.com:

 neutral portal aggregating datasets, studies and reference documents on critical mineral supply chains;  secure API and data room for strategic projects (mines, refineries, recycling, cross-border corridors).

#### 4. "Mineral Sovereignty Lab" (research & policy)

- joint lab between universities, industry and institutions, modelling value chains,
   ESG risks and transition scenarios;
- knowledge hub informing public policy and investment decisions.

(All examples are illustrative only and do not bind the seller.)

# 6. Related assets — "Critical Materials & Solvency Stack" (optional)

Depending on the acquirer's strategy, MineralSovereignty.com can be:

- used alone as a central mineral sovereignty banner;
- optionally combined with other descriptive assets (e.g. ClimateSolvency.com, EnergySolvency.com, Co2Capacity.com, Quantique.io, etc.) to articulate a broader narrative around transition risks, solvency and critical infrastructures.

Other assets are **not** included by default in the sale of MineralSovereignty.com. They may only be considered in the context of separate discussions and subject to specific agreement.

The seller does not claim any territorial or sector-specific exclusivity; the acquirer remains fully responsible for positioning, branding and scope decisions.

### 7. Legal & responsibility framework

The seller only transfers the domain name MineralSovereignty.com.

- No advisory, brokerage, modelling, audit or certification service is provided.
- No legal, financial, tax, environmental, social or scientific opinion is given in this document.
- The seller is **not**:
  - o a public authority;
  - a regulator;
  - a rating agency;
  - o an official body in charge of critical raw materials.

#### The acquirer:

- remains solely responsible for all services, content, models, methodologies and communications deployed under MineralSovereignty.com;
- must rely on its own advisers (legal, tax, ESG, climate, human rights, compliance) for any use of the domain;
- is responsible for complying with all applicable laws, regulations, voluntary standards and best practices in relevant jurisdictions.

#### This document:

- is not an offer of financial products or regulated services;
- does not guarantee any environmental, social, industrial or financial performance;
- does not create any affiliation with a state, institution, regulator or international organisation.

# 8. Typical acquisition process

A simple acquisition process, adjustable to the acquirer's internal rules, can be structured as follows:

#### 1. Initial contact & NDA

- o initial contact via **contact@mineralsovereignty.com**;
- o optional bilateral non-disclosure agreement (NDA).

#### 2. Strategic discussions

- clarification of intended uses (public programme, taskforce, observatory, data platform, lab);
- o discussion of a potential bundle with other descriptive assets, if relevant.

#### 3. Formal offer

- scope (MineralSovereignty.com alone, or combined with other assets if available);
- o proposed terms and transfer timeline.

#### 4. Escrow-based security

 use of a recognised domain-name escrow service to secure payment and transfer; o coordination with the acquirer's legal, finance and IT teams.

### 5. Domain transfer

- o change of registrant with the registrar;
- o possible support for DNS cut-over and technical transition.

# 6. Closing & communication

- o optional public announcement coordinated with the acquirer;
- o or full confidentiality, at the acquirer's discretion.

#### 9. Contact

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