



RELiEF Newsletter Issue 4

**Welcome to RELiEF's newest newsletter of July 2024!
Find out about our latest accomplishments:**

Critical Raw Material's act entry force: A discussion with our partner EXTRACTHIVE

The entry into force of the [Critical Raw Materials Act](#) is a major milestone for the mineral industry, aiming at ensuring a diverse, secure, and sustainable supply of critical raw materials for the EU's industry. For the RELiEF project, this also participates in the competitiveness of our consortium by recycling Lithium for secondary sources and in the same time ensuring the EU's independency for non EU's sources.

Our Work Package 2 Leader, Frederic Goettmann, CEO from Extractive, has answered our questions considering what this represents for him, his company and the RELiEF project.

The full interview can be read here: <https://lithium-relief.eu/news/critical-raw-materials-act-adopted-a-reflection-with-our-partner-extractives-ceo-frederic-goettmann>

RELiEF's 2nd General Assembly

On June 12th and 13th, 2024, the RELiEF Consortium met in Lappeenranta, Finland for the second General Assembly. This was the occasion for the partners to discuss the conclusions of some Work Packages as well as introducing the new steps that will conduct the project into a decreasing EU's dependence on raw materials by recycling lithium through secondary sources.

You can find out more about the Meeting here: <https://lithium-relief.eu/news/relief-partners-gather-in-finland-for-raw-minerals-conference-and-annual-meeting>



Exploitation pathways



RELiEF present at Xplorer conference

RELiEF partners engaged before their annual meeting into the first edition of the Xplorer Conference, which aimed at discussing and addressing challenges and opportunities and a way-forward for a mineral-centered way of living, under the motto “Mining and Minerals amid Geopolitics and Energy Transition”. Not only have some partners from LUT made presentations during the conference, but they also engaged into a poster pitched-session which presented the project and its exploitation pathways.

Curious about the meeting? Read the presentation made by RELiEF’s partners in [this article](#) here and on [the conference website](#).

Electrochemistry: ZSW present in Italy to discuss RELiEF's results

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