

INVITATION

3rd workshop of the project

“Enhancing European Society Awareness of Raw Materials” – aRAWness

WHEN & WHERE

Thursday, 20th October 2016
starting at 9 am

Geological Survey of Slovenia
Dimičeva ulica 14, Ljubljana



REGISTRATION

via website
<http://kroznogospodarstvoarawness.eventbrite.com>
until Monday, 17.10.2016

Participation in the workshop is free of charge!

PROJECT aRAWness

The society awareness of raw materials (RM) and circular economy varies across Europe, due to diverse framework conditions in the member states and regions of the European Union. For instance the degree of open-mindedness for new technologies and innovations in raw materials differs in European regions depending on respective economic path dependencies on the one hand and contemporary political measures to increase the society awareness for raw materials, here focusing on the circular economy, on the other hand.

With project aRAWness we want to improve the foundation of decision-making at the local and national level to raise awareness for a European society with regard to the circular economy and provide a better understanding of European citizens in the field of RM.

aRAWness is a one-year project, coordinated by the RWTH Aachen University (Germany) where Geological Survey of Slovenia (GeoZS) is one of six project partners. The project is financed by the EIT RawMaterials.

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WORKSHOP TOPICS

- Increased resource efficiency in mineral and metallurgical processes (Slovenia) - new products from waste and solutions for increased reuse of process residues
- Recycling and material chain optimization for „End-of-Life“ products (Slovenia)
- Replacement of critical (CRM) and dangerous substances in products for optimal performance (Slovenia)
- How to raise awareness of the importance of critical (CRM) and secondary mineral resources in everyday life?
- What is the best way to promote circular economy among general public / employees of public services / governmental institutions / decision makers?
- Overcoming the administrative barriers during creation of new business ideas in the field of RM and circular economy
- **Your suggestions on activities to be funded by KIC EIT RawMaterials in the future!**

Project partners:



About EIT RawMaterials KIC

EIT RawMaterials (EIT RM) is a KIC (Knowledge and Innovation Community) who wants to fully exploit the potential between industry and research and educational institutions and revive the human capital in the mineral resources (MR) sector.

The EIT RM has chosen **four focus markets** on which it will concentrate its initial activities: ICT, energy supply, machinery & equipment, and mobility. The first call for project partners (finished in 2015) is focused on **6 KAVA** (KIC Value Added Activities) **activities**: network of infrastructures, master education, PhD education, lifelong education, wider society learning and business creation & support.

Every year EIT RM publishes a call for above mentioned project proposals, and upscaling projects, incubator services, boosting start-up companies, promoting the growth of small and medium-sized enterprises, and financing start-up companies and products or technologies.

Geological Survey of Slovenia (GeoZS) is one of two Slovenian partners. At KIC EIT RM call for projects also **institution or businesses that are not KIC partners** may participate by contacting one of the partners.

More info about KIC EIT RM at <http://eitrawmaterials.eu/>.

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