

PRESS RELEASE

Back in 2022, the clustering workshop “Production of Raw Material for Batteries from European Sources” led to what we hope will be long-lasting synergies and collaborations between research and industry - **the Cluster HUB**.

There is no better day than today, the **International Day of Friendship**, to show the world our collaborative community with the same mission – to foster the knowledge necessary to drive **a more sustainable and circular production of raw materials** for the European battery industry.

The projects’ association aims not only to provide general information on technological progress, but also **to address new challenges**, such as:

- The high cost of resources exploration activities.
- The geological uncertainty.
- The optimisation of the processing and refining technologies for the upgrading of minerals and metals from side streams and industrial waste streams.

On the occasion of the International Day of Friendship, Nader Akil, EU Business Operations Manager at PNO Innovation N.V., and the initiator of the Cluster HUB concept, said: *“In the spirit of International Day of Friendship, I am proud to celebrate the commitment to collaboration fostered by the Cluster HUB. Our collective efforts within the EU context exemplify the power of partnership in **driving innovation and sustainability in the battery sector**. And we strongly believe that this dynamic research-industry exchange can provide support to the current policy context. Together, we are not only addressing critical challenges but also **paving the way for a sustainable and economically vibrant future for Europe through reinforced partnership and mutual growth.**”*

The Cluster HUB currently encompasses **approximately 100 organisations** driving the production and recycling of raw materials for battery applications from primary and secondary resources and **covering the entire value chain of the battery production**.

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