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FAB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

& CANADA–EU RAW MATERIALS CONFERENCE

THURSDAY

3 DECEMBER 2026

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14:00	Conference Opening
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FAB Annual General Meeting

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12:30–13:45

Networking lunch and conference registration

Open to registered conference participants

OPENING | WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

14:00–14:20

Opening remarks and welcome

H.E. Vera Alexander, Ambassador of Canada to Germany
Stefan Rouenhoff, State Secretary, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWE) — requested, not yet confirmed
Dr José B. Pateiro Fernández, Chairman, FAB
Indicative organisers, if time permits: Dr.-Ing. Sven-Uwe Schulz (DERA) and Dr Martin Wedig (FAB)

I | SUPPLY SECURITY & MINERAL EXPLORATION

14:20–14:45

Critical Raw Materials and Industrial Resilience: Supply Risks and Adaptation Strategies of German Firms – Results from a Company Survey

Dr Adriana Sonia Neligan | German Economic Institute (IW)

14:45–15:10

Critical Mineral Assessments in Northern America – Methodology and Results of Using Advanced Hybrid AI Methods for Mineral Predictive Mapping

Andreas Knobloch | Managing Director, Beak Consultants GmbH

II | PROJECTS & INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

15:10–15:35

Baymag – A Canadian Mining Company with German Roots

Franz Xaver Spachtholz | Refratechnik Holding GmbH (participation to be confirmed)

15:35–16:00

Northern Graphite – The Opportunity for a Resilient Supply Chain of Natural Graphite and Battery Anode Material

Hugues Jacquemin | CEO, Northern Graphite Corporation

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From resources to resilient value chains

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME / CONTINUED

Thursday, 3 December 2026 | Embassy of Canada, Berlin

II | PROJECTS & INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES / CONTINUED

16:00–16:25 — **Beneath the Arctic: Unlocking Greenland's Helium and Geothermal Potential**
Thomas Abraham-James | CEO, Pulsar Helium Inc.

16:25–16:50 — **Neotech Metal's Apatite-Hosted REE Deposit: a clear path to sustainable critical minerals**
Reagan Glazier, BSc | CEO & Director, Neotech Metals Corp.

16:50–17:05 — **Coffee break & networking**
Refreshments and conversations with speakers and partners

17:05–17:10 — **The Role of DGWA in Financing Mining Projects**
Stefan Müller | DGWA

III | PROCESSING, CIRCULARITY & DIGITAL MINING

17:10–17:35 — **MFE Magnesium for Europe – Why Germany Is an Attractive Place to Process Raw Materials**
Albrecht von Kempis | Managing Director, VonKempisResources GmbH

17:35–18:00 — **Recycling of Calcium Sulfate**
Tomasz Stawski | Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing (BAM) (participation to be confirmed)

18:00–18:25 — **How Digital Electrification De-risks Mines in Complex Environments**
Nils Janssen | Head of Business Development Mining, Innomotics GmbH

DISCUSSION | CONNECTING OPPORTUNITIES

18:25–18:40 — **Expert exchange & audience Q&A;**
Investment, exploration, processing and technology partnerships between Canada and Europe

18:40–18:55 — **Award of FAB Honorary Membership**
Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr. h.c. mult. Friedrich-W. Wellmer | Former President, Federal Institute for Geosciences and Natural Resources (BGR)

18:55–19:00 — **Closing remarks**
Conclusions and outlook from the organisers

FROM 19:00 — **Evening get-together & networking dinner**
Informal networking with participants and speakers

Conference language: English | Participation free of charge; advance registration requested
Programme subject to confirmation of speakers and individual slots.