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# Newsflash

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The Copper Mark extends warm wishes to our Participants, Partners and stakeholders for a successful 2026.

We are entering a pivotal year for our organisation as we prepare to evolve and advance our work on several fronts, including via our forthcoming Responsible Metals Value Chain Platform and the Consolidated Mining Standard Initiative. The year ahead brings great potential for us to do more to boost responsible production across mineral and metal value chains around the globe.

# 2026!



## Thank you

We sincerely thank everyone who responded to our calls for Independent Chair and Directors for our evolved Board of Directors, which are now closed. All the applications are now under review ahead of the appointments to come later this year.

## Upcoming events



Executive Director Michèle Brühlhart will join a [conference panel on 11 February](#) exploring the potential of the Consolidated Mining Standard Initiative (CMSI) from a business perspective.



9-12 February 2026

CTICC, Cape Town

Earlier that week in Cape Town, the Copper Mark is helping to organise a 9 February side event covering the latest CMSI updates, in partnership with the High Commission of Canada in South Africa and the Mining Association of Canada. [Click here to register for the event.](#)

In March, Copper Mark Director Greg Radford will attend the PDAC 2026 convention in Toronto, Canada. During the event, Greg will moderate a side event on 3 March that where participants will discuss the latest developments in the CMSI. [Click here to register for the event.](#)

## Value Chain

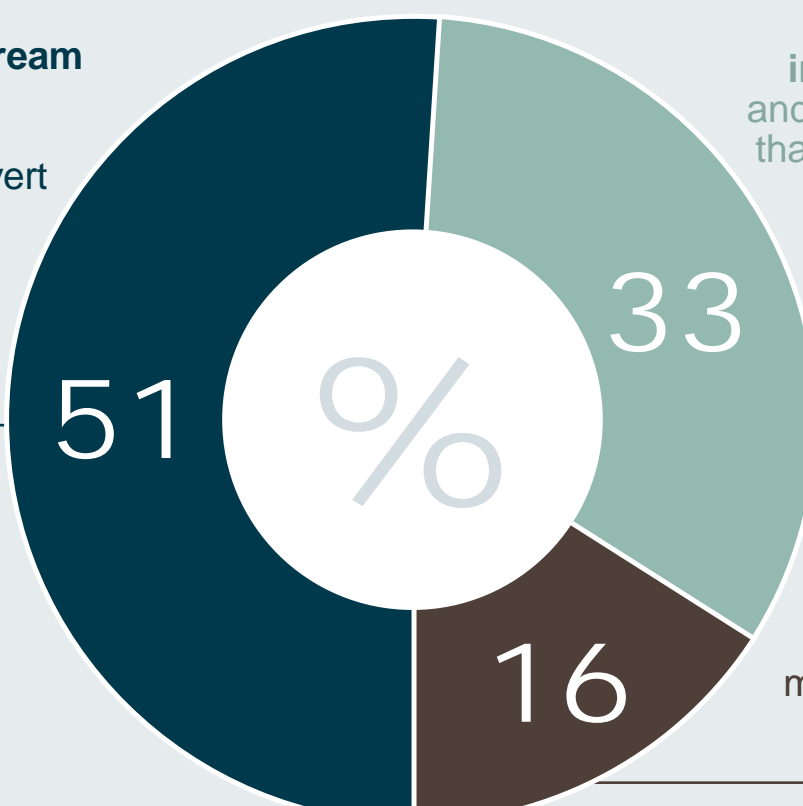
We know that responsible production requires commitment and cooperation across the value chain—from mine site to end user. That's why we are preparing to launch our Responsible Metals Value Chain Platform (VC Platform) later this year.

Through the VC Platform, diverse actors can connect with our network of producers and other stakeholders. It will host a community dedicated to fostering the value-chain-wide transparency that is required to strengthen vertical links and connect responsible actors who mine, fabricate, transform and recycle metals.

To find out more and to learn about how to become a VC Platform Partner [follow this link.](#)

Our **104 Recipient** sites have demonstrated responsible copper, molybdenum, nickel and zinc production **across the value chain.**

**51% are downstream** of mining. Sites that smelt, refine, roast, blend, convert or fabricate metal products.



**33% are integrated** mining and processing sites that both extract ore and process it.

**16% are standalone** mining operations.

## Congratulations to our newest Recipients

- Antofagasta's **Minera Los Pelambres** mine has successfully completed its reassessment for The Copper Mark and The Molybdenum Mark
- We have awarded The Zinc Mark to **Boliden's Odda smelter**, representing our very first Recipient in Norway (pictured below)



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