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We are delighted to invite you to the Official Launch of the 3 REE Permanent Magnet Hubs of the PERmanent MAGnet Network for the European Transition (PERMANET) on Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> of April 2025.

Co-funded by the European Commission, PERMANET drives innovation across the full Rare Earth Element (REE) permanent magnet value chain. It is shaped around **Three Interconnected Tech HUBs**.

The aim of the HUBs is to provide a collaborative infrastructure that will enable EU companies and quadruple helix stakeholders to connect, collaborate and contribute to improve European self-sustainability in rare earth elements. PERMANET HUBs therefore materialize **REE permanent magnet communities** with the aim to drive innovation and enhance European resilience in sourcing, processing, producing and recycling REE permanent magnet.

We thus invite you to the introduction of the **Sustainable REE Supply HUB**, **Circular REE Innovation HUB**, and **Advanced Manufacturing & Testing HUB** — three strategic initiatives designed to strengthen Europe's resilience in rare earth element (REE) sourcing, recycling, and magnet production.

The purpose of the event is not only to officially launch the three interconnected **Tech HUBs** within the **PERMANET Project**: it is also to understand the needs of each of the three deployment areas, engage stakeholders towards future collaboration and funding opportunities, and integrate the EU-wide ecosystem into one, coherent network.

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## AGENDA

General informations	
12:45 - 13:00	<b>Registration</b>
13:00- 13:10	<b>Welcome and presentation of the purpose of the event</b> <i>Simona Kneževič, Head of Industrial Association, TECOS, (Slovenia)</i>
13:10 - 13:25	<b>PERMANET – supporting the resilient value chain of the REE PM</b> <i>Peter Fleming, Project Manager, TECNICAS REUNIDAS (Spain)</i>
13:25-13:40	<b>REMHUB - advancing EU excellence in REE and PM through a dedicated business and innovation hub</b> <i>Merie Kannampuzha, REMHub Project Manager, CLIC Innovation Ltd (Finland)</i>
13:40 - 13:55	<b>Boosting investment in critical technologies in Europe: Strategic Technologies for Europe Platform (STEP)</b> <i>Benoit Esmanne, Policy officer, STEP Task Force at European Commission, Directorate-General for Budget – DG BUDG (Belgium)</i>
13:55 - 14:40	<b>Enabling the EU REE PM Value Chain: 3 interconnected PERMANET TECH HUBS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hub 1 – Sustainable REE Supply</b> <i>Peter Fleming, Project Manager, TECNICAS REUNIDAS (Spain)</i></li> <li>• <b>Hub 2 – Circular REE Innovation</b> <i>Lama Itani, Business Development Manager, SOLVAY (France)</i></li> <li>• <b>Hub 3 – Innovative PM Production and End-Use</b> <i>Tullio Tolio, Full Professor of Manufacturing, Politecnico di Milano (Italy)</i></li> </ul>
14:40 - 15:00	<b>Breakout rooms – Building and Scaling Collaborative PERMANET Hubs to address EU Needs : from Challenges to Action Lines</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hub 1 – Sustainable REE Supply</b> <i>Kristiina Jokelainen, Iberian Sustainable Mining Cluste and PERMANET Operational Coordinator (Spain)</i></li> <li>• <b>Hub 2 – Circular REE Innovation</b> <i>Marc Menschaert, Lead Industrial Innovation Expert, N-ABLE (France)</i></li> <li>• <b>Hub 3 – Innovative PM Production and End-Use</b> <i>Simona Kneževič, Head of Industrial Association, TECOS, (Slovenia)</i></li> </ul>
15:00 - 15:20	<b>Action plans for the HUBS and conclusions</b> <i>Simona Kneževič, Head of Industrial Association, TECOS, (Slovenia)</i>

Please register via the following web page: [HUBs launching event - PERMANET - TECOS](#)

You can attend the event by clicking on the following link:

<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/e42d677d-35d3-4c67-9439-5c550079b92e@ab1d285c-27d4-499e-8d22-0d2ca141fc7c>

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