Africa's Green Minerals Workshop:
From vision to rules

Day 3 Recap
Two sessions, one agenda
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1,888
significant deposits mapped across 4 regional economic communities (preliminary)

73%
of the world's mined cobalt came from the DRC in 2025 (USGS)

1.5 billion
people in one continental market under the AfCFTA

THE MESSAGE

The gap is coordination, institutional knowledge and binding rules. Strategy sets what to build. Law and one voice make it happen.

KEY ACTION PILLARS

01 **Legal harmonization.** Make rules binding with African model clauses.

02 **Collective bargaining.** Joint procurement turns Africa from price taker into market maker.

03 **Local value retention.** Map future demand and build regional hubs that share skills, power and water.

04 **Domestic and diversified funding.** Set up an Africa Green Minerals Fund, modelled on the African Energy Bank.

05 **Inclusive governance.** Write prior information, non-retaliation and access to remedy into national law, with a real say for women, youth and artisanal miners.

NEXT STEPS

- Refine the draft guidance with the agreed ESG criteria
- Settle the secretariat's legal basis and harmonization vehicles
- Run long-range market analysis and compare regional frameworks
- Finalize expert lists, communication plans and outreach