

# EIT RawMaterials PhD training: Enabling new approaches

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### EIT RawMaterials PhD training: How?

- Exposure to the largest consortium around metallic and mineral raw materials in the world: candidates will meet potential future employees, customers, and colleagues
- International and intersectoral mobility: each PhD candidate works in two different countries and will gain experience in both academic and private sectors
- Training in entrepreneurship and innovation skills: apart from frequent contacts with the industry partner of their project, the entrepreneurial mindset of PhD candidates will be stimulated by specific training
- Training in market and technology intelligence: understanding the boundary conditions of the minerals and metals markets, both technologically and economically





## Focus areas of current EIT RawMaterials PhD courses/programmes

- Functional Materials
  - New materials for aerospace sector and nanotechnology applications
- Circular Economy
  - Material design for circularity
  - Production management for circularity
  - Entrepreneurship in circular industries
- Big data, simulation and automation
  - Realtime measurements in drilling together with use of scientific databases
  - Data analytics to optimise mineral processing
- Industry/RTO placement
  - PhD candidates' placement especially in SME's to understand the business logic of smaller niche companies



### **Functional Materials**

# IDS-FunMat. Functional Materials & Innovation

#### Motivation

- Designing materials, instead of just selecting what's out there, ought to be able to enable radicially new approaches to designing products so that they better solve challenges
- Getting functional materials into use requires innovation skills
- Educational solution 2 year programme, including
  - Entrepreneurship, technology intelligence, project and risk management, and other innovation skills
  - Eco-design and life-cyclde assessments
  - Industry interaction
- Further information
  - https://idsfunmat.u-bordeaux.fr





# Circular Economy

### **CEESIMP.** Circular Economy Entrepreneurship in System Integrated Metals Processing

#### Motivation

- In their future careers, students need to be able to access the economic impact of their research; and, industry needs to develop more circular economy solutions
- Educational solution (online course + summer school)
  - Online: Gain insights into innovation; and, how materials and material processing can be designed to eliminate waste and maximise future recycling
  - Summer school: Solve an industry challange; and get coaching on pitching
- Further information

https://eitrawmaterials.eu/course/suscritmat/





Field: Material design

## SusCritMat. Sustainable Management of Critical Raw Materials

#### Motiviation

- Certain raw materials e.g magnetic materials play a vital function in many types of products
- Supplies of such raw materials, particularly within Europe, are limited: critical raw materials

- Educational solution (short courses)
  - Enhance awareness of critical raw materials
  - Develop life cycle and design skills in order to recover critical raw materials from products
- Further information

https://eitrawmaterials.eu/course/suscritmat/





Field: Industrial Ecology

### CE-COSP. Circular Economy and Raw Material Competence for Sustainable Production

#### Motivation

- A key solution to climate change is to minimise waste and maximise reuse, remanufacturing and recycling, (circular economy) - which requires an overview
- Products however tend to be produced in 'isolated' manufacturing stages
- Educational solution (course)
  - PhD students working on the topic of product and manufacturing design gain an overview of car manufacturing via a journey along the value chain
  - At each stage of the journey, students need to reflect on how to include eircular economy aspects in their research
- Further information: https://eitrawmaterials.eu/course/cecosp/



#### Field: Management of Technology



# DOCSUMCube. Entrepreneurship in the Circular Economy

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- In their future careers, students need to be able to access the economic impact of their research; and, industry needs to develop more circular economy solutions
- Educational solution (summer school)
  - Students join a summer school where they:
    - Work together on industry challenges
    - Receive coaching on how to assess the economic and organisational impacts of technologies
    - Gain experience of pitching solutions to industry
- Further information

http://www.circulareconomy.education





## TOP STARS. Innovation challenge for PhD Students

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https://eitrawmaterials.eu/events/top-stars-2018/





### Big data, simulation and automation

### MIDICON. Modern process data analytics in mineral production

#### Motivation

- Scientific modelling and the merging real time sensing technologies is now making it possible to use Industry 4.0 techniques to design and operate mineral production plants
- Educational solution (course)
  - Introduction to key industry 4.0 topics
  - Site visite and Industry challenge
  - Groups work to research the challenge and devise a solution
  - Coaching on business assessments and industry pitching
- Further information

https://openlearning.aalto.fi/enrol/index.php?id=56





### I-EDDA-RS. Innovative Exploration Drilling and Data Acquistion Research School

- Motivation
  - A wide range of new meaurement techniques are becoming available for use in exploration and drilling. People need to know that these techniques exist; and, how to make a scientific assessmenet of the incoming data - in order to optimise future exploration and drilling activities.
- Educational solution a programme for PhD students about
  - How geoscientific methods can be used to discover new, deep mineral deposits
  - How to design and plan in-situ studies (exploration drilling) in order to make best use of incoming real time data
  - How to learn more by synthesing exploration results with the scientific knowledge
- And, enables students to practically apply their knowledge in a very deep drilling system
- Further information: https://www.iedda.eu/





Field: Raw materials processing and recycling



## Industry / RTO Placement

## ADMA. Gaining R&D work experiences in industry/RTOs

- Motivation
  - Industry and RTOs employ more PhD graduates than universities
  - Students don't get R&D experiences in industry/RTOs
- Educational solution
  - Match PhD students with relevant industry/RTO
  - Prepare students for a placement in industry/RTO
  - Enable PhD students to go on a placement
  - Facilitate learning from that experience
- Further information

http://www.oulu.fi/adma/







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### EIT RawMaterials PhD training: Why?



Gain industry experience and solve challenges

Apply research based concepts to exploration, mineral processing and design



