# Report on the Responsible Minerals Sourcing Inquiry Briefings 2023

# **♦** Purpose

The briefing sessions were held to explain the background and latest relevant trends of responsible minerals sourcing to working level personnel of manufacturing companies, etc. in the supply chain that share similar challenges relating to responsible minerals sourcing survey and due diligence, and deepen their understanding on the importance of the survey and due diligence.

### **♦** Organizer

The Education and PR Team of JEITA Responsible Minerals Trade Working Group

#### **♦** Schedule

	Date/Time		Form	Special Lecture		Individual
				METI	JOGMEC	Consultations
Tokyo ①	June 30		Hybrid	Live 1	ecture	Conducted at each
Tokyo ②	July 3	14:00	Hybrid (WEB + on-site)	Video-recorded lecture	Live lecture	site after the briefing session
Osaka	July 6	16:00	On-site (Held only on-site)	Video-recorded lecture		(16:00 - 17:00)
Nagoya	July 7		,	Live lecture	Video-recorded lecture	

#### **♦ Program of the Inquiry Briefing:**

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Opening Speech (approx. 10 min.)				
	* Explanation of activities of the Responsible Minerals Trade Working Group, latest trends, etc.			
<b>Special Lecture</b>	(approx. 60 min.)			
"Policy Trends regarding Mineral Resources"				
	Mr. Hiromu Nobutoki, Agency for Natural Resources and Energy, Mineral and Natural			
	Resources Division, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry			
"Material Flow of Mineral Resources"				
	Ms. Tomoe Oguchi, Assistant Section Chief, Research Division, Metals Strategy			
	Department, Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation (JOGMEC)			
Background of "Re	esponsible Minerals Sourcing" and Administrative Work for the Survey			
	(approx. 45 min.)			
	Member of the Education and PR Team, JEITA Responsible Minerals Trade Working			
	Group			
Question and Answ	ver Session (approx. 15 min.)			
Closing				
* Individual consul	tations were conducted after briefing sessions (only to participants attending on-site)			

### Number of Participants

	Date/Time	Number of Participants			Reference
		Total	Participation by WEB	Participation	(Number of Participating Companies)
Tokyo ①	June 30	1,636	1,559	on-site	1,270 companies
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Tokyo ②	July 3	971	903	68	(арргол.)
Osaka	July 6	82		82	
Nagoya	July 7	62		62	
Fina	Final Total		2,462	289	

#### **♦** Outline Report

Companies have conducted "Conflict Minerals Survey" ever since the enactment, in July 2010, of Section 1502 (the Conflict Minerals Provision) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act) in which manufacturers and certain other companies listed on the U.S. stock exchanges were required to file reports on conflict minerals (tin, tantalum, tungsten, and gold) and disclose relevant information to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). However, due to the "EU Conflict Minerals Regulation" applied from 2021 and other changes in the environment, the scope of minerals, areas and risks that should be taken into consideration by companies at the time of mineral sourcing, as part of the actions regarding "Responsible Mineral Sourcing", have expanded, making it necessary to further examine future measures taking into consideration such trends.

In the context of the above, the Responsible Minerals Trade Working Group (Working Group) has, again this year, hosted Responsible Minerals Sourcing Inquiry Briefings in order to assist manufacturing companies in the supply chain that share similar challenges. At the briefings, the presenters (members of the Working Group) explained the changes in the environment and trends of regulations that is the background of actions for "Responsible Minerals Sourcing", other trends that have impact on the survey and due diligence activities, efforts required to downstream companies regarding due diligence, and forms used in the survey of 2023 (Conflict Minerals Reporting Template (CMRT) and Extended Mineral Reporting Template (EMRT)) and notes thereof.

For this year's special lecture, Mr. Hiromu Nobutoki (Agency for Natural Resources and Energy, Mineral and Natural Resources Division), explained the overall picture of the mineral resources policy taking into consideration carbon neutral and the enhancement of the supply chain. Also, Ms. Tomoe Koguchi of JOGMEC gave explanations of the material flow regarding rare earth and graphite, enhancing the understanding of the participants regarding the latest policy trend in mineral resources and the material flow of minerals (from the reserve, production and import of minerals).

In addition, to contribute to companies dealing with responsible minerals sourcing, individual consultations were conducted by the presenters at each site after the briefing session.

# Tokyo Osaka Nagoya







[Special Lecture]



[Mr. butoki, METI]



[Ms. Oguchi, JOGMEC]

# [Individual Consultations]







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### **Outline of the Briefing**

	Date	Facilitator	Presenter	Question and Answer
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Tokyo ①	June 30	Sumitomo Electric	Fujitsu Limited,	KOA Corporation, NEC
		Device Innovations,	Sharp Corporation	Corporation, Japan Aviation
		Inc.		Electronics Industry, Limited
Tokyo 2	July 3	Sharp Corporation	Hitachi, Ltd.	Canon Inc., JVC Kenwood
			Alps Alpine Co., Ltd.	Corporation, TDK Corporation
Osaka	July 6	Panasonic Industry	Sharp Corporation	Kyocera Corporation, OMRON
		Co., Ltd.	Murata Manufacturing	Corporation, ROHM Co., Ltd.
			Co., Ltd.	
Nagoya	July 7	Sharp Corporation	Kyocera Corporation	Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
			Makita Corporation	Makita Corporation

Apart from the above, Konica Minolta, Ltd., Toshiba Corporation, Pioneer Corporation, Taiyo Yuden Co., Ltd., Renesas Electronics Corporation participated in the preparation of these briefing sessions.