



# Call for experts

to represent ECOS in the field of

## Critical Raw Materials

Application deadline: 31/01/2024

ECOS is looking for experts in the field of critical raw materials to represent and defend environmental interests in the development of standards and related policies. Our experts provide us with technical and scientific input and represent ECOS in standardisation processes and multi-stakeholder discussions.

ECOS is an international NGO with a network of members and experts advocating for environmentally-friendly technical standards, policies and laws. With more than 20 years of experience, ECOS represents over 50 national and European members, including the *European Environmental Bureau*, *Friends of the Earth Europe*, *Transport & Environment* and *WWF*. ECOS is a partner organisation of the standardisation organisations CEN and CENELEC, a member of ETSI, an ITU-T Sector Member and a liaison organisation to IEC & ISO. Learn more: [www.ecostandard.org](http://www.ecostandard.org)

Critical raw materials are used in a growing array of products needed for the energy transition, including renewable energy technologies, electronic and electrical equipment, and batteries for electric vehicles. However, environmental issues related to the extraction of limited natural resources and unstable supply chains need to be addressed. Circular economy strategies play a critical role in reducing the demand for virgin raw materials, as well as increasing EU supply security and resilience. Policies and standards are currently in the making to unlock the sustainability potential of raw materials value chains.

Interested candidates should be able to demonstrate in-depth technical and scientific knowledge on sustainability of the CRM value chains and circular economy strategies to enhance their retention in the economy.

The nominated experts will:

- Participate in technical meetings of [CEN](#) (and possibly [ISO](#)) to promote ECOS position;
- Prepare technical input through official comments and contribution to ECOS position papers;
- Report to and liaise with the responsible ECOS Programme Manager;
- Exchange information with ECOS member organisations and other experts when needed.

### ECOS offers:

- A daily fee for preparation of meetings, participation and reporting, as well as other relevant tasks;
- Reimbursement of travel costs;
- Per diem to cover accommodation and subsistence costs.

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Please send your CV and cover letter **outlining your motivation and demonstrating your suitability to support and represent ECOS to Rita Tedesco** [rita.tedesco@ecostandard.org](mailto:rita.tedesco@ecostandard.org) by 31/01/2024 COB. Applications will be assessed by the secretariat on a rolling basis, applying ECOS procurement policy. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

