Energy & Minerals: A Match Made in Hades



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We provide an opportunity for great people to *partner* with great clients in a collaborative, respectful and entrepreneurial 'One Team' culture.



6 Regions

Projects on every continent



100+ Offices

In over 10 countries



2000+ Global Staff

A collaborative 'One Team' culture



30+ Technical Services

Environment, engineering, advisory



What can the Minerals Industry do?



Long Term Storage

Energy storage or CO₂ storage are both options



Essential Minerals

Old and 'new' materials



Heating/Cooling

Warm groundwater combined with heat pumps





Geothermal Heating & Cooling



- 65% of Sweden's residential heating comes from geothermal heat
- UK & Ireland have better potential than Sweden
- Temperatures of 20-40°C not unusual in underground mines
- Combined with heat pumps (driven by renewable energy) there is potential to provide district residential heating
- District heat pumps with COP of c. 3-7
- Possible to combine heating and cooling at the same time

Heat output (kW)	Electrical input (kW)	СОР	Electrical input (%)	Notes
10	2.9	3.5	29%	Typical Residential
1200	273	4.4	23%	Bergheim - 2k residents
13200	4328	3.05	33%	Drammen - 63k residents

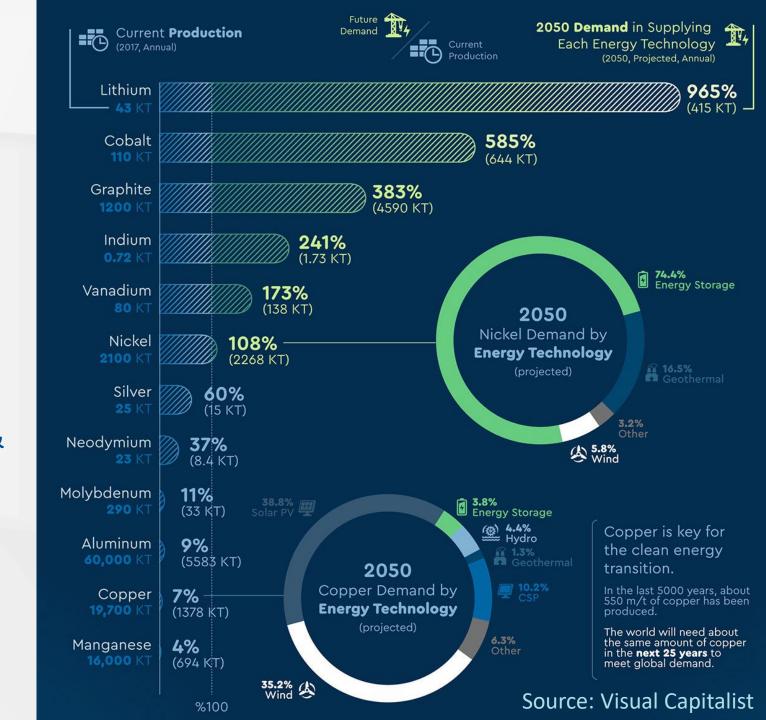




Essential Minerals



- Renewables far more metalintense than oil, gas & coal
- Copper dispersed grid, electric cars, use in turbines
- Lithium, nickel & cobalt batteries
- Neodymium magnets
- Silicon, silver, cadmium, gallium & tellurium – solar PV
- Cement & aggregate for pads/roads





Geological Storage



- Hydrogen storage:
 - Depleted oil & gas Reservoirs
 - Deep saline aquifers
 - Old mines
- Compressed Air Energy Storage
 - Hydrostor (400MW & 500MW)
 - Salt mines/other mines
 - Shallow voids?
- CCUS
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 - Deep saline aquifers
 - Old mines?

BUT, there is increasing competition for storage...





Source: Hydrostor



What next?

- Partnerships
 - Supply
 - Advocacy
- After mining space enhancement
- Retrofit
- Design early
- Site selection/Co-location
- New technologies?
- What's stopping us?



