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Fostering Responsible & Fair Artisanal  
Small-Scale Mining in Western Africa.



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## Artisanal Small-Scale Mining in Western Africa:

- Funded by EIT Raw Materials – A European initiative funded by the EU, aimed at securing raw materials supply by driving innovation, education, and entrepreneurship.
- Integration of blockchain and IoT technologies.
- Platform to track minerals' origin, ownership, and provenance.
- Focus on Social License to Operate (SLO) and community development.

## Participating Companies



## Vision and Objectives

**Vision:** Transform Liberia's mining sector into a globally recognized model of innovation and efficiency.



### Objectives:

- Enhance transparency and traceability in the mining sector.
- Promote fair and equitable mining practices.
- Drive technological advancements in mineral tracking.
- Foster economic growth and community development.

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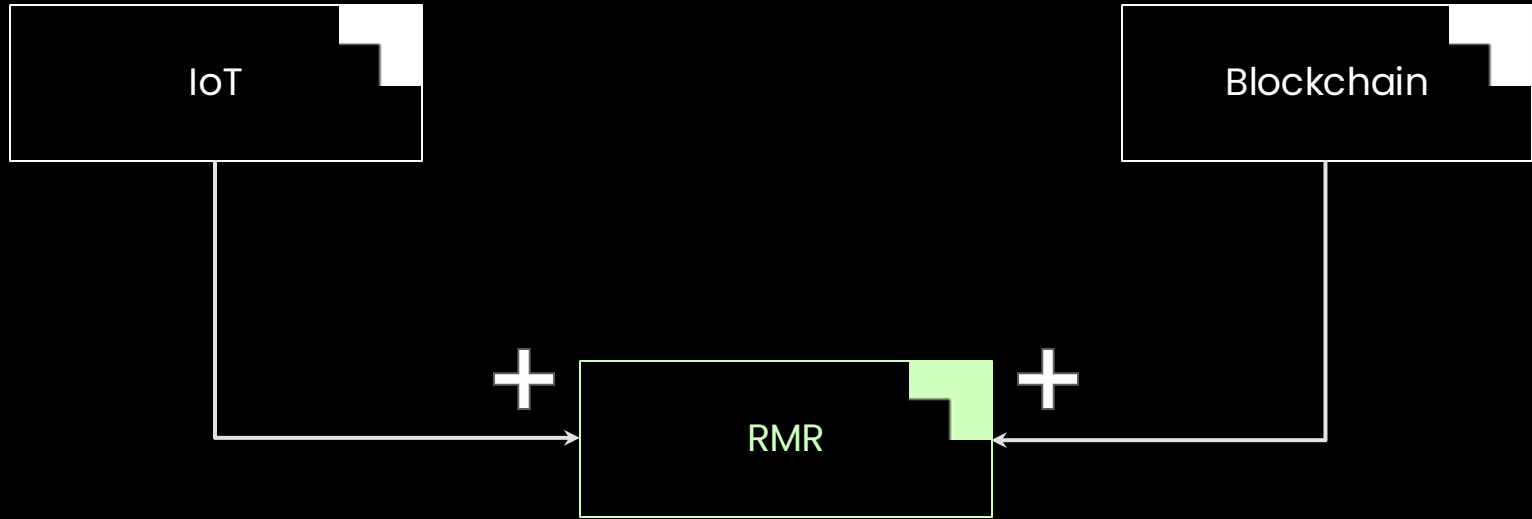
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# The two ingredients of the project

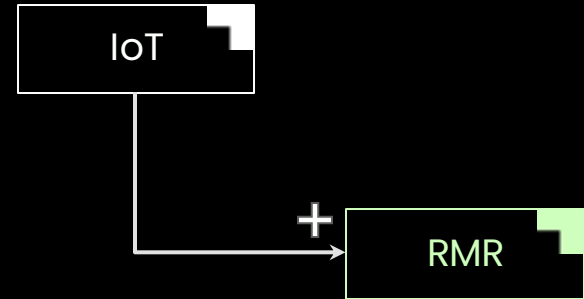


# The Role of IoT in Enhancing Tantalum Traceability

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IoT devices are **vital** for ensuring **reliable** and **secure** traceability in the tantalum supply chain:

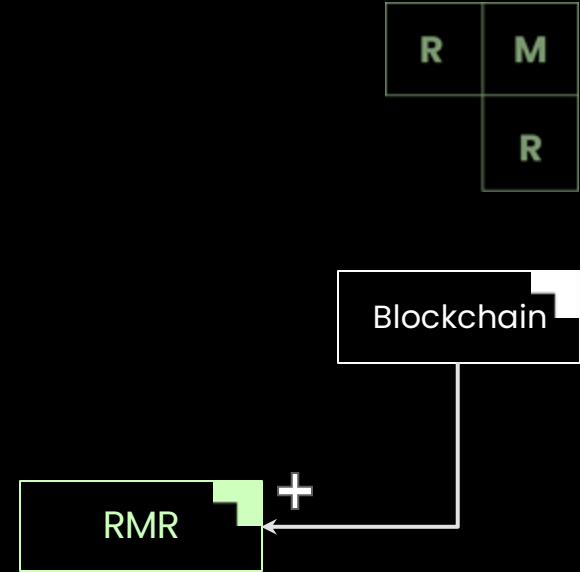
- **Continuous Monitoring:** IoT sensors, such as ambient light sensors and Inertial Measurement Units (IMUs), provide real-time data on barrel conditions and transport movements.
- **Anomaly Detection:** On-device Machine Learning algorithms analyze sensor data to identify potential tampering or irregularities during the journey from Africa to the EU.
- **Data Integrity:** Critical information is stored locally, enabling seamless tracking and validation of each step in the supply chain.



# The role of the Blockchain (BC)

Blockchain technology serves as a **secure**, unchangeable and **non-falsifiable** record in raw material traceability:

- **Data Security and Immutability:** Each transaction is securely recorded using cryptographic principles, making it immutable and resistant to tampering.
- **Distributed Accessibility:** The decentralized ledger is accessible to all supply chain stakeholders, promoting transparency and accountability.
- **Cross-Verification:** Blockchain cross-verifies data collected from IoT devices, minimizing errors and detecting anomalies.



# Benefits of Blockchain and IoT in the Raw Material Radar (RMR) Project



## 1. Enhanced Traceability & Transparency

Blockchain creates an immutable record of raw materials, while IoT sensors provide real-time data, ensuring end-to-end visibility and accurate tracking.

## 2. Regulatory Compliance

Blockchain automates compliance with standards like the OECD Due Diligence Guidance, while IoT captures real-time ESG metrics, ensuring adherence to international regulations.

## 3. Supply Chain Efficiency

Smart contracts and IoT optimize logistics, reduce delays, and streamline inventory management, lowering operational costs and environmental impact.

## 4. Supporting Circular Economy

Lifecycle tracking via blockchain and IoT helps recyclers recover valuable materials, reducing waste and promoting sustainable resource use.



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