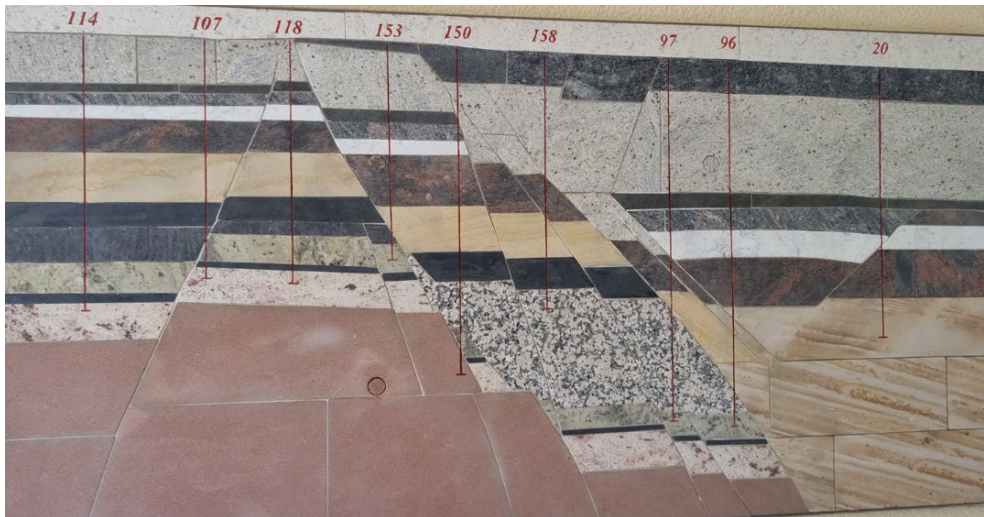


PERC Deep Mineralised Brines Working Group

Newsletter #1:

PERC Launches Deep Mineralised Brines Working Group



Cross-section illustrating the geology and structure of the Upper Rhine Graben
(artwork made of polished stone slabs)

PERC has established a Deep Mineralised Brines Working Group to address the assessment and reporting challenges associated with lithium-bearing geothermal and sedimentary basin brines in Europe. The group's objectives are to support robust and consistent treatment of dynamic brine systems within CRIRSCO-aligned reporting frameworks.

As its first task, in March 2026 the group submitted comments to the Canadian Institute of Mining (CIM) on its draft *Leading Practice Guidelines for Sedimentary Basin and Geothermal Brine-Hosted Lithium Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves Estimation*.

- *CIM Draft guidelines are available at:*
 - <https://www.cim.org/news/2026/draft-cim-lithium-brines-lp-guidelines/>
- *PERC's comments are available at:*
 - <https://nextcloud.percstandard.org/index.php/s/y7t3wj6C2pXP6xG>

Moving forward, the group will conduct further review of existing reporting standards, with possible development of brine-specific terminology and definitions, and consideration of potential amendments to PERC guidance and/or the preparation of dedicated leading practice documentation.

The initiative brings together expertise from mineral reporting, hydrogeology, geochemistry, and geothermal energy, reflecting the multidisciplinary nature of deep brine projects. The current group includes representatives from industry, consultancy, and academia.

PERC welcomes expressions of interest from professionals with relevant technical, regulatory, or reporting experience. We are particularly interested in gaining representation from anyone experienced in oil and gas resource and reserve estimation.

Anyone interested in joining the Working Group is invited to contact Michael Palmer at mpalmer@srk.co.uk.

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