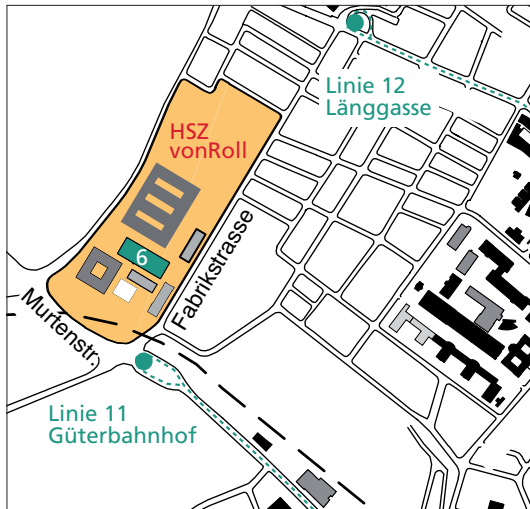


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The extraction, trade and consumption of metals, rare ores and fossil fuels have numerous social, economic, political and ecological implications for countries worldwide. Producers and users of these resources very often have diverging needs and interests, and therefore different priorities when it comes to issues of governance. The various actors between producers and consumers add considerably to the complexity.

Consequently, extractive industries are a much debated topic and often controversially so. Particularly given the global nature of the issue. With the increasing scarcity of energy and metal resources, sustainable solutions to dealing with extractive industries become ever more important and debates are often highly politicised. In such contested contexts, knowledge is one critical element to devise pathways to sustainable solutions.

With its anniversary conference, the KFPE addresses the topic of extractive industries through the lens of science and research partnerships. It does so by presenting reflections and results from case studies conducted in different geographic contexts. Philippe Le Billon, one of the most renowned scholars in this field and Ricardo Giesecke, former Minister for Environment of Peru, share particular insights into the extractive industries.

By serving as a platform for discussion and integrating the views of civil society, enterprises in the commodity sector and politics, the conference reaches beyond the scientific community. Initiating and facilitating dialogue among stakeholders is one of KFPE's core objectives. It builds on the strong conviction that joint research teams are a vital prerequisite to producing research findings which are especially suitable in tackling the challenges of global transformations.



Programme

- 13.00 **Arrival & Registration**
- 13.30 **Welcome**
Mauro Dell'Ambrogio, State Secretary for Education, Research and Innovation
- 13.40 **Introduction**
Danielle Lalive d'Epinau (moderation)
- A Panopticon of the Extractive Industries**
- 13.45 **Governing the Extractive Industries: Major Challenges**
Philippe Le Billon, University of British Columbia, Canada
- Commentary from a Business Perspective**
Markus Nöthiger, Zug Commodity Association
- Commentary from a Civil Society Perspective**
Lorenz Kummer, SWISSAID
- Research Partnerships and Their Contribution**
- 15.00 **Democracy between Neo-Extractivism and Social Development**
Stephan Rist, University of Bern
Ricardo Giesecke, former Minister for Environment, Peru
- Gold Mining Communities in the Peruvian Amazon**
Carole Baudin, He ARC Ingénierie/EDANA, Neuchâtel
- 15.45 Break
- 16.15 **Health Impact Assessment in the Extractive Industry**
Mirko Winkler, Swiss TPH, University of Basel
- Switzerland and the Extractive Industries Sector**
- 17.00 **Opportunities for Swiss Legislation (in German and French)**
Carlo Sommaruga, Member of the National Council (SP)
Maja Ingold, Member of the National Council (EVP)
Michael Fahrbach, Head Corporate Sustainability, Glencore plc
- 18.00 **Closing Remarks**
Laurent Goetschel, KFPE President
- 18.15 **Reception**