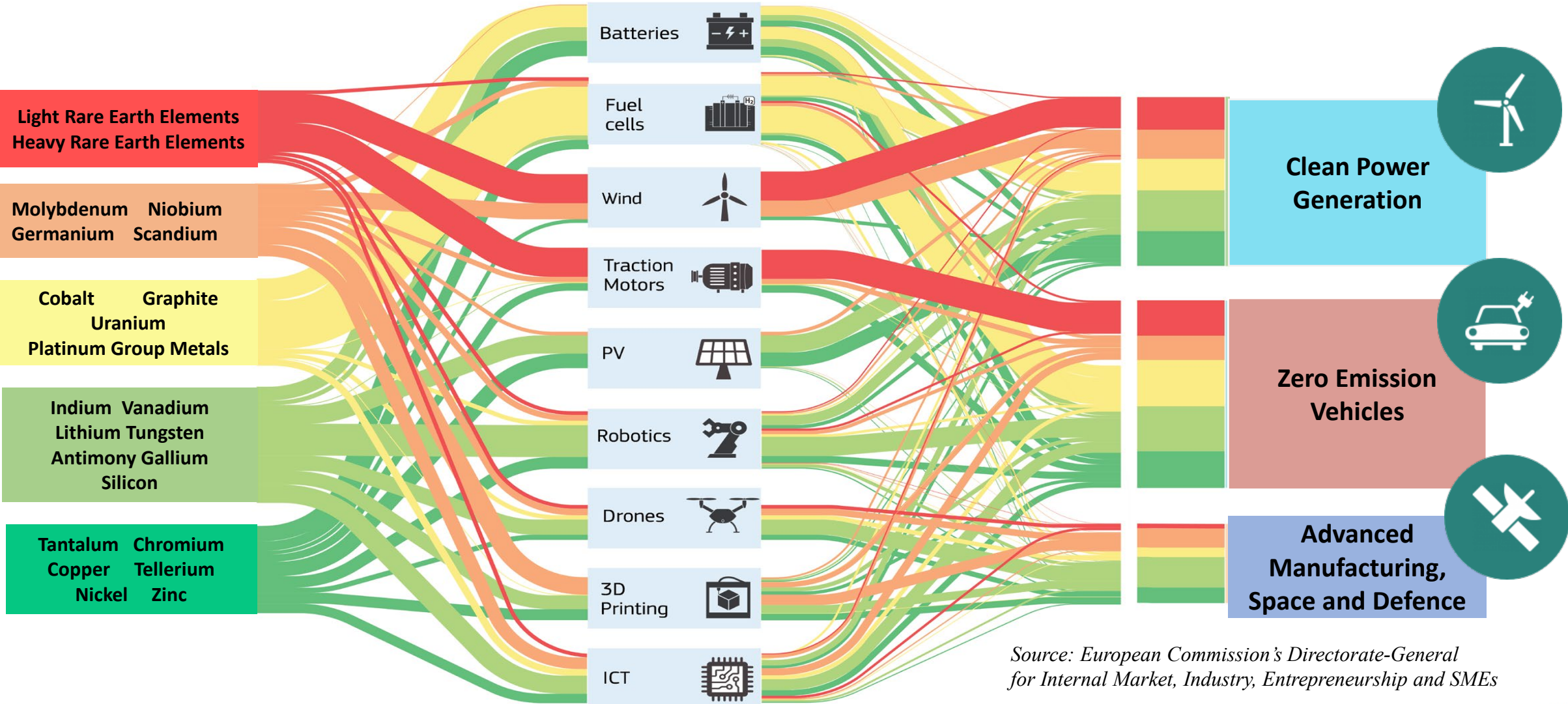
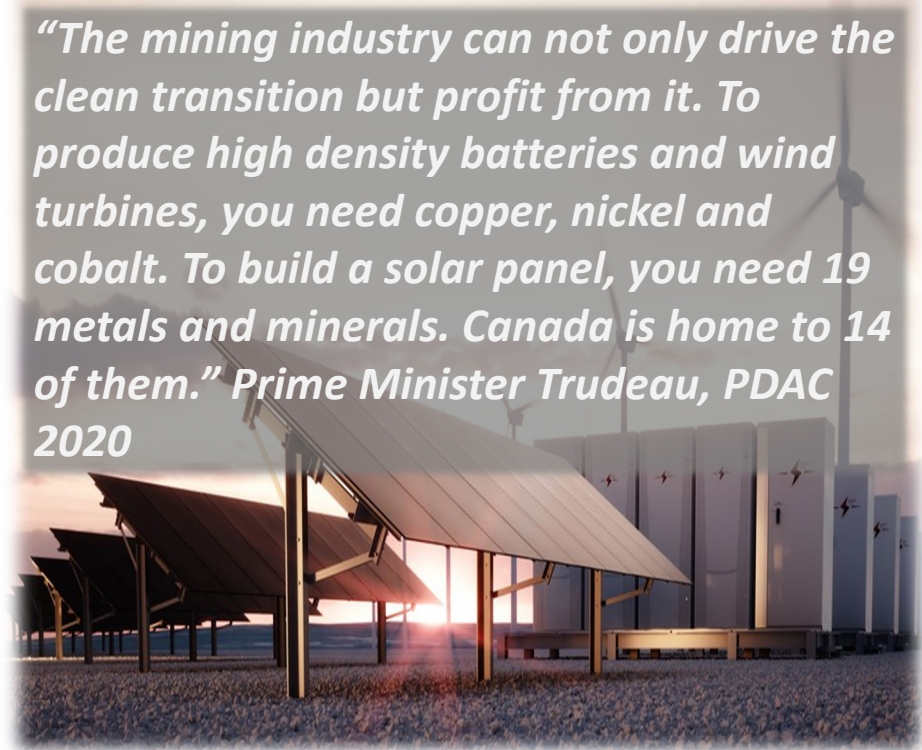
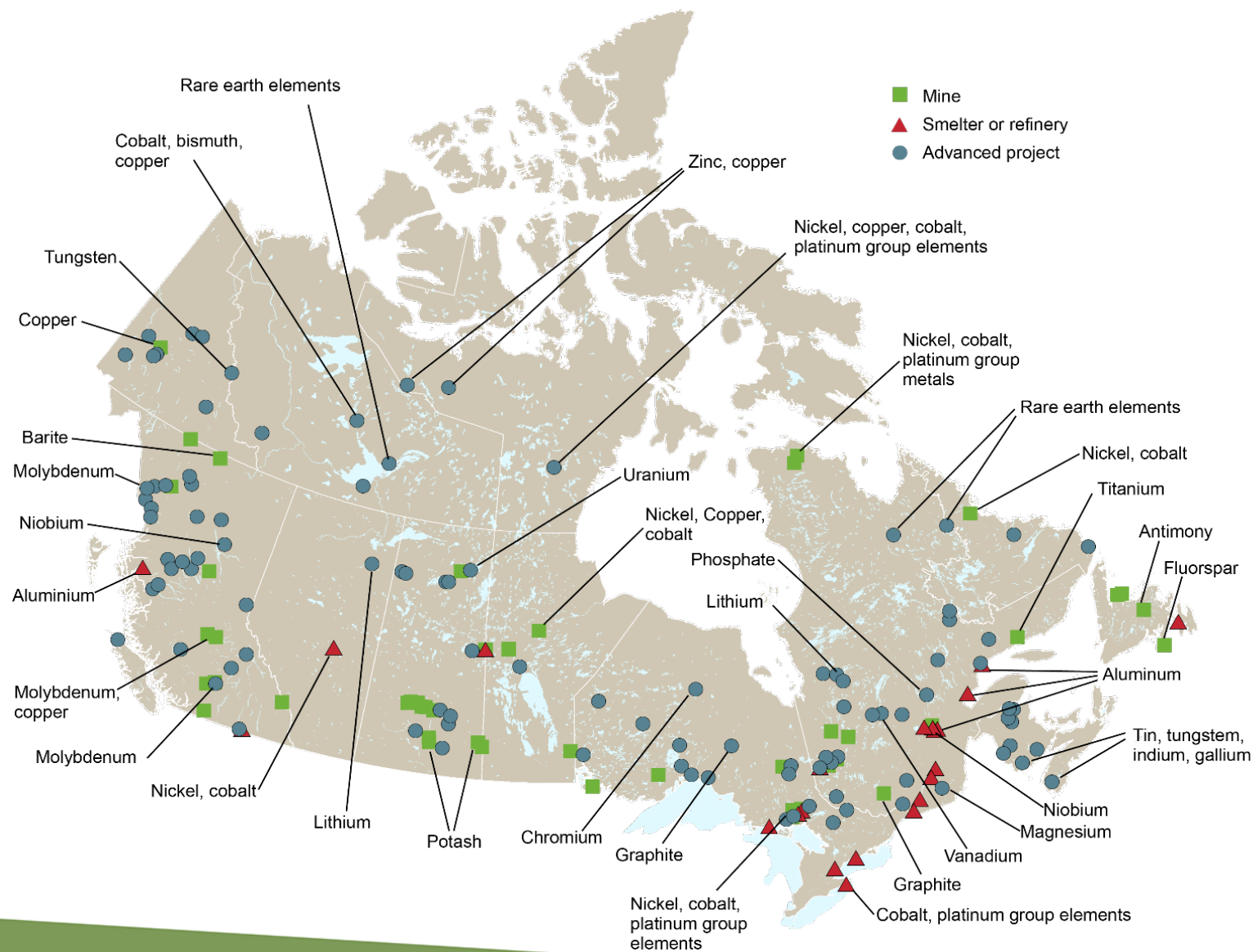


# Critical Minerals are the Building Blocks for the Clean and Digital Economy



Source: European Commission's Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs

# Canada is Home to a Wide Variety of Critical Minerals



*“The mining industry can not only drive the clean transition but profit from it. To produce high density batteries and wind turbines, you need copper, nickel and cobalt. To build a solar panel, you need 19 metals and minerals. Canada is home to 14 of them.” Prime Minister Trudeau, PDAC 2020*

**Canada is a top global producer:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> for potash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> for niobium and uranium
- 3<sup>rd</sup> for palladium and titanium
- 4<sup>th</sup> for aluminum, indium and platinum
- 5<sup>th</sup> for graphite and nickel

# Defining Criticality – Canada’s Critical Mineral List

- The Government of Canada released Canada’s Critical Minerals List on March 11, 2021
- List of 31 minerals are:
  - Essential to Canada’s economic security;
  - Required for Canada’s transition to a low-carbon economy; and
  - A potential sustainable source for our partners.
- The list provides greater certainty and predictability to industry, investors, provinces and territories and Canada’s international partners on Canada’s mineral priorities
- Will enable targeted policy actions to address pressure points in critical minerals supply chains and secure growth opportunities

