

## New partnership for Nickel Institute and China Nonferrous Metals Industry Association

### Memorandum of Understanding between Nickel Institute and China Nonferrous Metals Industry Association

**LONDON, UK** – 29 October 2019 – The Nickel Institute and the China Nonferrous Metals Industry Association (CNIA) today announced that they have signed a Memorandum of Understanding. The MoU will enable the smoother flow of information relating to nickel environmental and health sciences, regulation and applications in China, as well as the development of specific projects such as the advancement of new applications, standards, research or technology related to the safe and effective use of nickel.

Dr. Hudson Bates, Nickel Institute President said, “Nickel is a metal of today and of the future, enabling durable infrastructure with a low lifecycle cost and propelling sustainable development in batteries and other green energy initiatives as well as ensuring safe food and clean water.

“The China Nonferrous Metals Industry Association is an important bridge between industry and government in the largest producing and using economy for nickel. It is an excellent partner for delivering the potential of nickel in the future.”

China is highly significant to the nickel industry. It is the largest producer and user of nickel and has sustained the highest growth globally in both aspects for more than a decade.

Mr. Qu anxun Chen, President of the China Nonferrous Metals Industry Association said, “The Nickel Institute is the highly respected body for the nickel industry globally. Today’s partnership will enable CNIA to increase its insight into the global nickel industry. It will enhance its capacity to provide science-based information on nickel and its applications to the Chinese government and contribute to the development of effective regulations and standards as well as the promotion of research & development and applications for nickel at home and abroad.”

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**China Nonferrous Metals Industry Association** (CNIA) was founded in 2001 and is a non-profit organization based in Beijing, China. CNIA is the only national nonferrous metals industry (NMI) association dedicated exclusively to the legal interests of its membership which covers enterprises, institutions and other stakeholders in the NMI. With a legal status and a self-regulating system, CNIA provides services to the government and its members as a bridge to boost the development of the NMI. CNIA is overseen by the State Asset Supervision and Administration Commission (SASAC) and registered at the Ministry of Civil Affairs (MOCA).

<http://chinania.org.cn/>

**Nickel Institute** is the global association of leading primary nickel producers. Its mission is to promote and support the use of nickel in appropriate applications. NI grows and supports markets for new and existing nickel applications including stainless steel; and promotes sound science, risk management, and socio-economic benefit as the basis for public policy and regulation. Through its science division NiPERA Inc. ([www.nipera.org](http://www.nipera.org)), the NI also undertakes leading-edge scientific research relevant to human health and the environment. NI is the centre of excellence for information on nickel and nickel-containing materials and has offices in Asia, Europe and North America. [www.nickelinstitute.org](http://www.nickelinstitute.org)