Critical Minerals Institute Announces Masterclass “Command Capital & Military Metals” – July 24, 2025

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Toronto, ON – July 21, 2025 – The Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) today unveiled the next session in its acclaimed Masterclass series, **“Command Capital & Military Metals,”** scheduled for **Thursday, July 24, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST**.

Headlining the one-hour program are two of the sector’s most sought-after thinkers:

- **Jack Lifton** – Co-Chair, CMI; long-time industry guru based in Detroit, whose decades-deep expertise spans rare earths, and most of the critical minerals needed for defense supply chains.
- **Christopher Ecclestone** – Founder & CEO, **Hallgarten + Company** (U.K.); widely read principal mining strategist whose independent research regularly influences global capital markets.

The interactive discussion will be **moderated by Melissa “Mel” Sanderson**, CMI Co-Chair and former U.S. diplomat who and is quickly establishing herself as one of the most highly sought after speakers in the industry.

A Convergence of Two Perspectives

Ecclestone and Lifton approach the military-metals nexus from complementary angles: one frames the **geopolitical chessboard of export controls and capital flows**, the other dissects the **material intensity that modern defense platforms demand**.

"*Chinese **dual-use** export bans have become a geopolitical lever; relax them and you can pull the rug from under Western supply-chain strategies,*" said **Christopher Ecclestone**, previewing his analysis of antimony, tungsten, and beryllium—all metals he believes "*too many players misprice because they ignore Beijing's ability to toggle policy overnight.*"

"*For each person in the military, the demand for critical minerals is about **ten times** that of a civilian. Critical minerals are **necessary** for the military; they're **nice** for the public,*" noted **Jack Lifton**, underscoring why rare earths, gallium, germanium, and high-temperature alloys have become indispensable to aerospace, naval, and land-systems engineering.

Together, the pair will chart how **capital markets, policy shifts, and materials science intersect**—and why investors who understand that nexus can gain a decisive edge.

Event Details

Title	CMI Masterclass: *Command Capital & Military Metals*
Date / Time	Thursday, July 24, 2025 · 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. EST
Format	Live virtual session (recording available to registrants)
Registration	Complimentary for CMI members · US$25 for non-members Click Here to Register

About the Critical Minerals Institute (CMI)

CMI is the **Brain Trust of the Critical Minerals Economy**—a global hub connecting companies, capital markets, and policymakers through Masterclasses, the weekly *Critical Minerals Report*, bespoke research, and board-level advisory services. Backed by its media parent **InvestorNews Inc.**, whose content receives over **120 million annual impressions** across Google News, Bloomberg, Reuters, and major AI platforms, CMI pairs unrivalled visibility with deep technical insight.

Save the date for **CMI Summit V** (May 13-14, 2026, Toronto): "*Command Capital in Critical Minerals – Aligning Government Priorities with Private Equity*."

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