

# Pat Ryan of Ucore Rare Metals Inc. to Deliver High-Impact Keynote Address on “Critical Minerals, Tariffs, and Collaboration: Fueling North American Independence” at CMI Summit IV

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TORONTO, ONTARIO – April 25, 2025 – The [Critical Minerals Institute](#) (CMI) is proud to announce [Pat Ryan](#), Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of [Ucore Rare Metals Inc.](#) (TSXV: UCU | OTCQX: UURAF), as a featured keynote speaker at the upcoming [CMI Summit IV](#), scheduled for May 13–14, 2025, at the National Club in Toronto, Ontario. Mr. Ryan’s speech, titled “Critical Minerals, Tariffs, and Collaboration: Fueling North American Independence,” promises to ignite crucial discussions about the strategic future of North America’s critical minerals landscape.

Pat Ryan, an influential thought leader in the critical minerals and rare earths sector, will address the urgent need for integrated cross-border strategies, focused capital investment, and united policy frameworks. His insights will highlight opportunities and challenges facing industries vital to North America’s economic security, particularly automotive and technology sectors dependent on stable and secure critical minerals supplies.

Ahead of his keynote address, Pat Ryan remarked:

*“North American independence in critical minerals cannot be achieved through isolated efforts. It demands visionary collaboration, targeted capital infusion, and strategic alliances between Canada and the U.S. We must dismantle fragmented tariffs and regulatory barriers and jointly invest in robust infrastructure that benefits both nations. Our future economic prosperity and security depend on proactively building resilient supply chains—this isn’t just strategic business sense; it’s an absolute necessity for North American competitiveness.”*

This year’s CMI Summit IV—“The War for Critical Minerals and Capital Resources”—captures the urgency and geopolitical complexities surrounding global competition for strategic resources. Ryan’s keynote will be a central highlight of an extraordinary event featuring world-class speakers across expertly moderated panels, making the summit a must-attend event for anyone invested in the future of critical minerals.

Tracy Hughes, Founder and Executive Director of the CMI, emphasized the significance of Ryan’s participation:

“Pat Ryan’s expertise provides essential insights at a critical juncture. His unique experience with tariffs, the automotive supply chain, and cross-border initiatives makes his perspective indispensable. Ucore’s innovative RapidSX™ Demonstration Plant in Kingston, Ontario, supported by a significant U.S. Department of Defense contract, and the development of their Louisiana Strategic Metals Complex (SMC) clearly illustrate the practical impacts of his leadership. His keynote underscores the immense potential and critical need for collaborative investment and integrated North American supply chain solutions.”

## **Event Details**

## **CMI Summit IV: The War for Critical Minerals and Capital Resources**

**Dates:** May 13–14, 2025

**Location:** The National Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

**Website:** [CriticalMineralSummit.com](https://CriticalMineralSummit.com)

To register or secure a **CMI Summit IV 2-day Delegates Pass**, [click here](#).

### **About Ucore Rare Metals Inc.**

Ucore Rare Metals Inc. (TSXV: UCU | OTCQX: UURAF) is focused on rare- and critical-metal resources, extraction, beneficiation, and separation technologies with the potential for production, growth, and scalability. Ucore's vision and plan is to become a leading advanced technology company, providing best-in-class metal separation products and services to the mining and mineral extraction industry.

Through strategic partnerships, this plan includes disrupting the People's Republic of China's control of the North American REE supply chain through the near-term establishment of a heavy and light rare-earth processing facility in the U.S. State of Louisiana, subsequent Strategic Metal Complexes in Canada and Alaska and the longer-term development of Ucore's 100% controlled Bokan-Dotson Ridge Rare Heavy REE Project on Prince of Wales Island in Southeast Alaska, USA.

Ucore is listed on the TSXV under the trading symbol "UCU" and in the United States on the OTC Markets' OTCQX® Best Market under the ticker symbol "UURAF."

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The Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) is a trusted global leader

in connecting companies, capital markets, and experts in the critical minerals industry. By combining in-depth research, thought leadership, and extensive industry expertise, CMI provides exclusive insights, invaluable resources, and robust networking opportunities that empower its members to thrive in a rapidly evolving global marketplace. Through collaboration with businesses, governments, and other stakeholders, CMI addresses both the challenges and opportunities within the critical minerals sector, highlighting the value, sustainability, and strategic importance of these essential materials. As a result, CMI ensures its members are equipped to drive innovation, lead in cutting-edge technology, and fuel industrial advancement worldwide.

Our **CMI [offerings](#)** include exclusive Masterclasses and the weekly Technology Metals Report (TMR), which provide pivotal industry insights. The theme for our 2025 summit, “The War for Critical Minerals and Capital Resources,” focuses on uniting industry leaders to address the pressing issues facing the global critical minerals market. This premier event, CMI Summit IV, is set to take place on May 13-14, 2025, at the National Club in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The CMI Summit aims to foster strategic partnerships and develop actionable solutions that support the growing demand for critical minerals, crucial for the advancement of clean energy, technology, and national security.

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