

Tuan Tran Joins the Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) as the Newest Board Member

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April 16, 2024 – The [Critical Minerals Institute](#) (CMI) is proud to announce the appointment of Tuan Tran as its latest board member, effective immediately. Tuan, a seasoned professional with over two decades of experience in private equity, investment banking, and equity research, brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the CMI Board.

“Tuan’s joining the board is a significant step for the Critical Minerals Institute, enabling us to further our mission of driving progress in the critical minerals industry. His wealth of experience and strategic insight are crucial additions to our efforts, supporting the sector’s growth and its vital role in the transition to a carbon-neutral economy,” stated Tracy Weslosky, Executive Director of the CMI.

As a Partner and Investment Committee Member at [Ara Partners](#), a private equity firm with a focus on industrial decarbonization and a portfolio of approximately \$5.6 billion, Tuan has been at the forefront of building companies that significantly reduce carbon emissions. Ara Partners invests across several sectors, including industrial & manufacturing, energy efficiency & green fuels, chemicals & materials, and food & agriculture. Tuan’s role at Ara involves overseeing all aspects of the firm’s investment process, highlighting his comprehensive understanding of the financial landscape and commitment to sustainable growth.

Before joining Ara Partners, Tuan Tran significantly impacted Intervale Capital as a Partner and Investment Committee Member,

where he was pivotal in growing the firm's \$1.3 billion portfolio into a leader in the energy technology, industrial and environmental services sectors, driving top-quartile investor returns through his deal execution, firm building, and portfolio management skills. Tuan began his career on Wall Street, where he had significant Mergers & Acquisitions experience across New York, Tokyo, and Hong Kong. A Harvard University graduate, he dedicates time to community service, volunteering with "Little Brothers, Friends of the Elderly" and mentoring via the Harvard Alumni Association, showcasing his commitment to professional excellence and community involvement.

Tuan Tran adds: "I am honored to join the distinguished Board of Directors of the Critical Minerals Institute. CMI has been at the industry forefront advising policy makers and business leaders on the strategic importance of Western supply chains for critical minerals key to the decarbonization of transport, energy, battery storage, and other hard-to-abate sectors. Given its global network and industry insights, the Critical Minerals Institute is uniquely positioned to promote collaboration and successful partnerships essential to advancing the energy transition and a lower-carbon future."

The [Critical Minerals Institute](#) (CMI) is a global hub established to foster collaboration and expertise in the critical minerals market, offering a central point for business resources, networking, and government contracts. With its 'think tank' of leading specialists, CMI provides strategic insights and innovative solutions, alongside exclusive access to resources like a monthly Masterclass and weekly Technology Metals Report (TMR), to advance the industry.

Tuan Tran, Partner and Investment Committee Member at [Ara Partners](#) is slated as the keynote speaker for the upcoming [Critical Minerals Institute Summit III](#), scheduled for

August 21-22, 2024, in Toronto, Canada, highlighting the sector's prospects and hurdles.

About Critical Minerals Institute (CMI):

The [Critical Minerals Institute](#) (CMI) is a global entity established to cultivate collaboration and specialized knowledge within the critical minerals market. It acts as a central hub for businesses, capital markets, and professionals seeking vital business-to-business resources, government contracts, and networking opportunities with experts and services in the sector. CMI is dedicated to navigating the challenges and seizing the opportunities in this field through a mix of expert consultation, strategic alliances, and focused services and products. Integral to its offerings is the CMI 'think tank,' a collective of leading minds and specialists that provides in-depth analysis, strategic insights, and innovative solutions to advance the critical minerals industry. The Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) membership package offers access to exclusive resources including a monthly Masterclass and a weekly Technology Metals Report (TMR), along with preferential rates for industry events. **Join the CMI, [click here](#)**

The Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) Summit III

Join us at the prestigious National Club in Toronto for the third iteration of the CMI Summit, a landmark 2-day gathering at the cutting edge of the critical minerals sector. Slated for August 21st and 22nd, 2024, the CMI Summit III, under the theme "Achieving Critical Minerals Mastery in Today's Markets," promises to be an essential confluence for industry frontrunners, investors, and experts. **Attend the CMI Summit III, [click here](#)**

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