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Study on Rare Earths and Their Recycling

An independent study by the Öko-Institut

During recent years technological innovations resulted in manifold applications using rare earths which lead to a steep increase in their demand. A relevant share of the increasing demand is caused by so-called “green technologies”. The action in the fields of recycling should be started now without further delay as it will take a minimum of five to ten years for the first large-size implementation to take place. The research for substitution options and efficiency should also be reinforced as soon as possible.

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