

STRATEGIC PROJECT

São Miguel Paulista Refinery Restart Project

Description of project

The São Miguel Paulista Refinery Restart Project is a processing project located in São Paulo, Brazil. This project entails refurbishing and restarting operations at an existing “stand alone” plant with the aim to refine nickel and cobalt. These operations are estimated to cover around 3% of EU’s annual nickel consumption and 4% of annual EU cobalt consumption. The refinery product will be specialised, high grade nickel and cobalt metal, which can be applied for the construction of high-performance alloys, plating, the chemical industry, and battery supplies.

Benefit for the EU and Brazil

This project intends to supply both refined nickel and cobalt products to Brazilian and European markets, including subsidiaries of strategically important European companies. This project therefore contributes directly to the EU’s goals of securing critical raw materials and enhancing supply chain resilience. Furthermore, the project will contribute positive impacts on employment in both Europe and Brazil. The project promoter intends to utilise the technical expertise of European companies, while drawing workforce for construction and operations from local communities which have practical experience, technical skills and operating expertise developed during the previous operation of the refinery. The project directly employs around 330 people.

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Project Name:

São Miguel Paulista Refinery Restart Project

Project Type:

Processing

Strategic Raw Material:

Refined Nickel metal and Cobalt metal

Project Promoter:

Jervois Brasil Metalurgia Ltda.

Project Country:

Brazil

Estimated Starting Date of Production:

2026

UNFC Classification:

E1 // F1 // G2

Website of the Strategic Project:

<https://www.jervoisglobal.com>