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Welcome to February! Here's what's new from the Critical Issues Program:

- On January 26th we held our most recent webinar, "Tracking the Global Supply of Critical Materials", which featured speakers Nedal Nassar from the U.S. Geological Survey and Vitor Correia from the European Federation of Geologists. The speakers provided a global framework for understanding the criticality of mineral resources, followed by a discussion of how the U.S. and the European Union gather information and develop tools to ensure a secure national and global supply of mineral resources; identify and quantify vulnerabilities in this supply; and stimulate co-operation, innovation, education, and communication efforts. Thank you to the more than 750 people who registered and over 400 who attended live. If you missed the live webinar you can find a video recording, copies of the presenters' slides, and additional resources by clicking here.
- If you're new to our program, or just interested in what we've been up to lately, check out our review of 2017 to see where we've been and get a better idea of where we're going. If you'd like to join us as a collaborator, you can e-mail us any time at cipinfo@agiweb.org.
- Applications for our three summer internships in the Policy & Critical Issues programs (undergraduate to Master's level) are open until March 1st. If you have any questions about these internships, contact us at govt@agiweb.org.
- For more updates and information from the Critical Issues Program, including details of upcoming events, you can always subscribe to our mailing lists or follow us at @AGI_Updates for a wide range of geoscience topics.
- We also invite you to follow @AGI_Policy for the most policy-relevant information, and check out the Geoscience Policy Annual Review, 2017, for a summary of the year's policy developments.

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