

Kazakhstan to Become No. 2 Gallium Producer Globally as Eurasian Resources Group Inks a Long-term Deal to Supply Gallium to Mitsubishi Corporation RtM Japan Ltd



During the state visit of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev to Japan, Eurasian Resources Group (ERG), a global metals and mining company, signed a contract for gallium supply with Mitsubishi Corporation RtM Japan Ltd. This is one of the Group's key projects focused on critical minerals. More than US\$20 million will be invested in the construction of the gallium production site. The project will create about 70 jobs. The new facility will produce 15 tonnes of gallium per year. Production is expected to start in Q3 2026. As a result, Kazakhstan will rank second globally among the producers of this commodity.

Shukhrat Ibragimov, Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer at ERG, said: *"In his Address, the Head of State emphasised the vital importance of rare-earth metals and critical minerals, and the need for close integration into global production and supply chains. Gallium is crucially important as it is an integral part of modern technologies, especially electronics."*

Thus, our project is fully aligned with the goals set by the President. As we launch gallium production and start to supply it to Mitsubishi Corporation RtM Japan Ltd. in the future, this will demonstrate that, by developing domestic operations, we can transform strategic resources into competitive products and strengthen Kazakhstan's position on the market for high-technology materials."

Gallium will be produced from process solutions of the Pavlodar Aluminium Plant, part of Aluminium of Kazakhstan JSC, using best available technology developed in-house by ERG Research and Development. This technology helps improve the quality of the core product, alumina, reduce losses, and recover gallium from extremely low-grade ores to produce a valuable, strategically important high-purity metal.