

COMPANY PROFILE

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SLN

For over 138 years, SLN has been the historical mining and metallurgical operator in New Caledonia. Essentially focused on the production of ferronickel, whose commercialization is managed by the Eramet group, SLN also generates by-products whose slag (Ferronickel slag) reaches nearly 2 Mt/yr.

Despite the use of slag in embankments and building aggregates locally, the New Caledonian market consumes only a minor portion of the annual production. SLN wants to intensify its international marketing efforts to export this by-product which fits perfectly within the framework of circular economy.

Recognized as a compliant aggregate (French and Australian standards), slag 0/4 is usable for construction. Marketed for export under the name «SLAND», this sand is destined for the market of concrete, construction and public works as aggregate (coarse sand or filler); the cement market as a cement substitute (SCM), in the same way as blast furnace slag mixed with clinker to produce commercial «green» cements; niche markets such as the sanding of structures (Garnet) before painting.

As part of its international development, expansion, SLN is primarily interested in moving to the South Pacific markets (Australia, Melanesia, and Island States). In 2017, SLN established an entity in Australia to accelerate the prospecting and search for contracts there. A sales and marketing manager (Thibault de Saint-Vaulry) lives in Sydney full time.

In April 2018, the company made the first shipment of more than 22,500 tons of «SLAND» for major road infrastructure work to Vanuatu.