

## **Extraction of Raw materials could rise 60% by 2060**

The United Nations' flagship Global Resources Outlook report is the portrait of a juggernaut. Due to be published later this month by the UN's International Resource Panel, it highlights how global consumption of raw materials, having increased four-fold since 1970, is set to rise by a further 60% by 2060. Natural resource extraction has soared by almost 400% since 1970 due to industrialisation, urbanisation and population growth. The stripping of Earth's natural materials is already responsible for 60% of global heating impacts, including land use change, 40% of air pollution impact, and more than 90% of global water stress and land-related biodiversity loss.