



# How can exploitation of mineral resources in South Greenland be achieved in a sustainable way?



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# Agenda



- A brief introduction to South Greenland
- The opportunities in mining
- Sustainable development in general
- **The Case: Kvanefjeld Multi-Element Project in South Greenland**
- Summery of sustainability



# Greenland

2.175.600 km<sup>2</sup> area  
1.833.900 km<sup>2</sup> ice  
...341.700 km<sup>2</sup> land

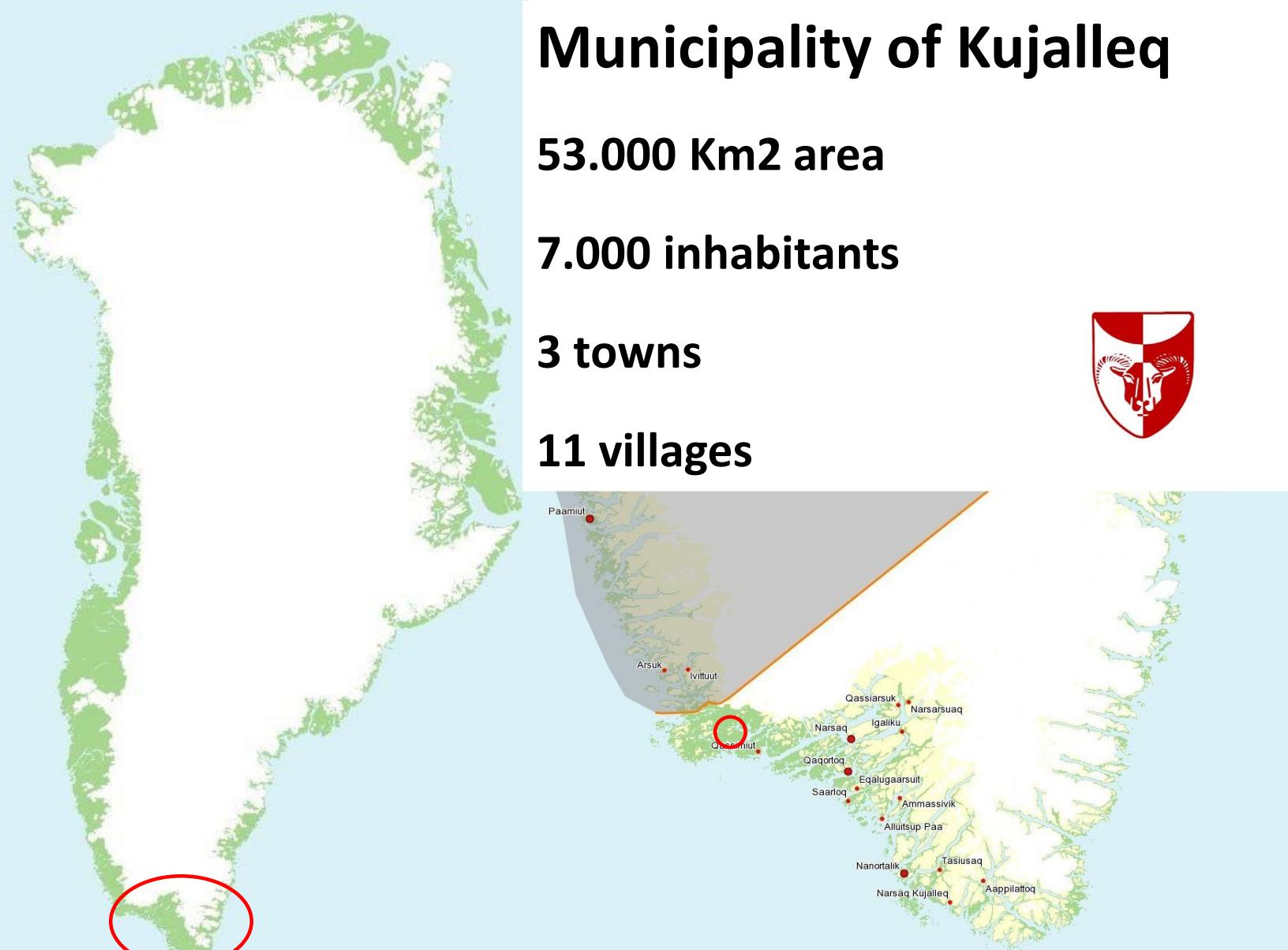
56.000 inhabitants

18 towns

4 municipalities

Nuuk the Capitol (15.000)





# Municipality of Kujalleq

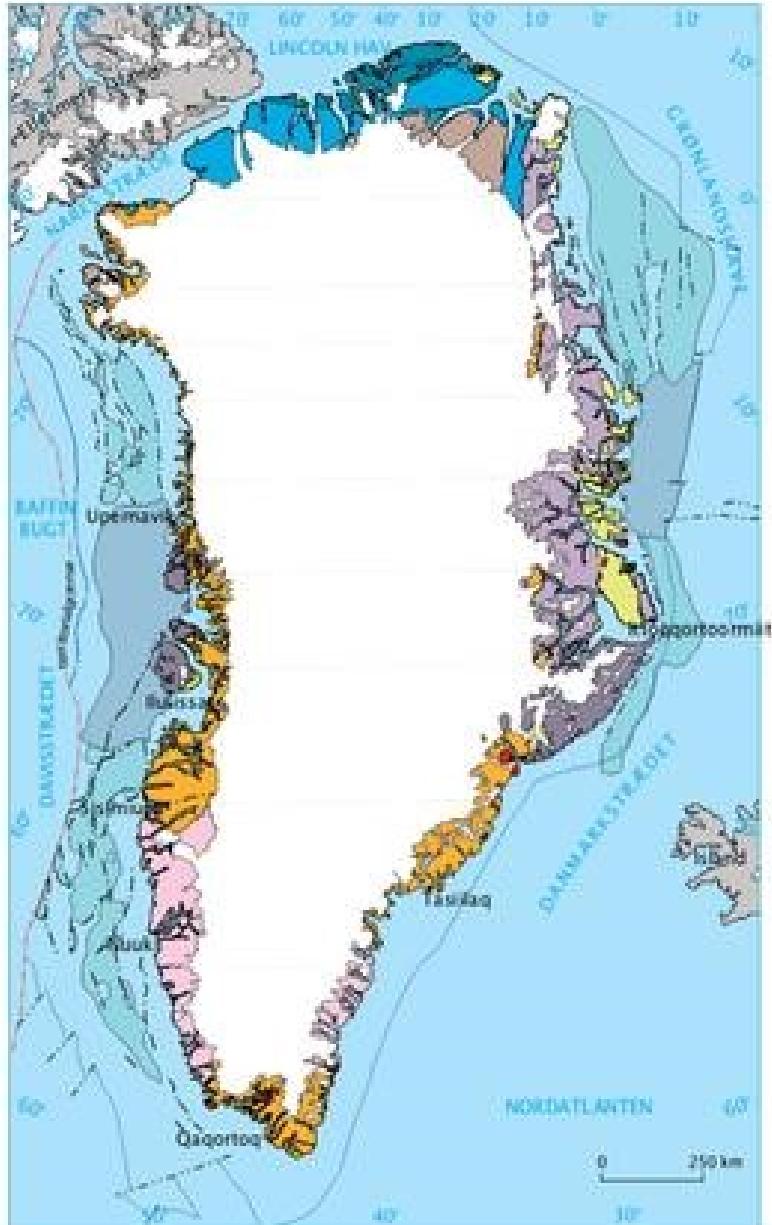
**53.000 Km<sup>2</sup> area**

**7.000 inhabitants**

**3 towns**

**11 villages**

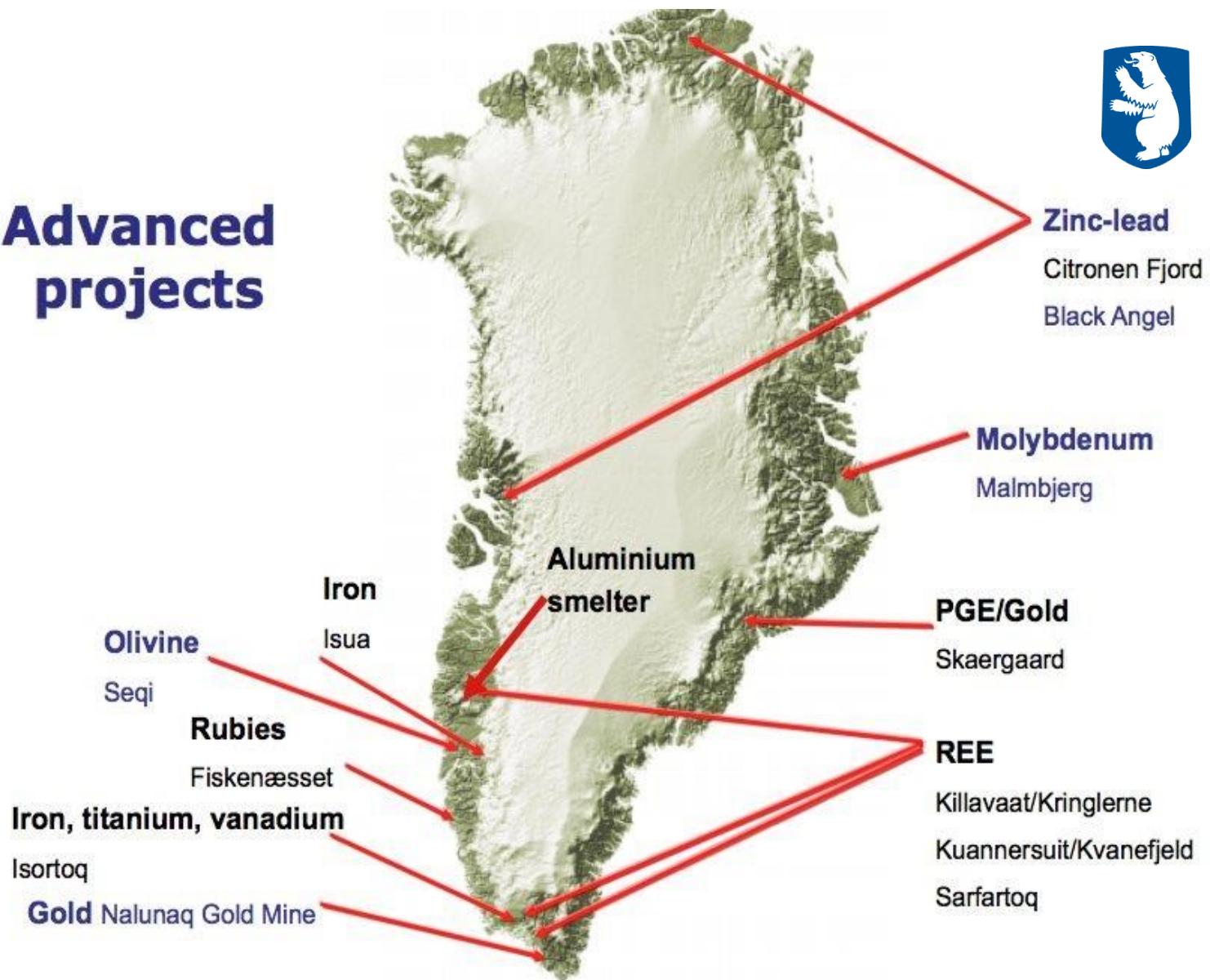


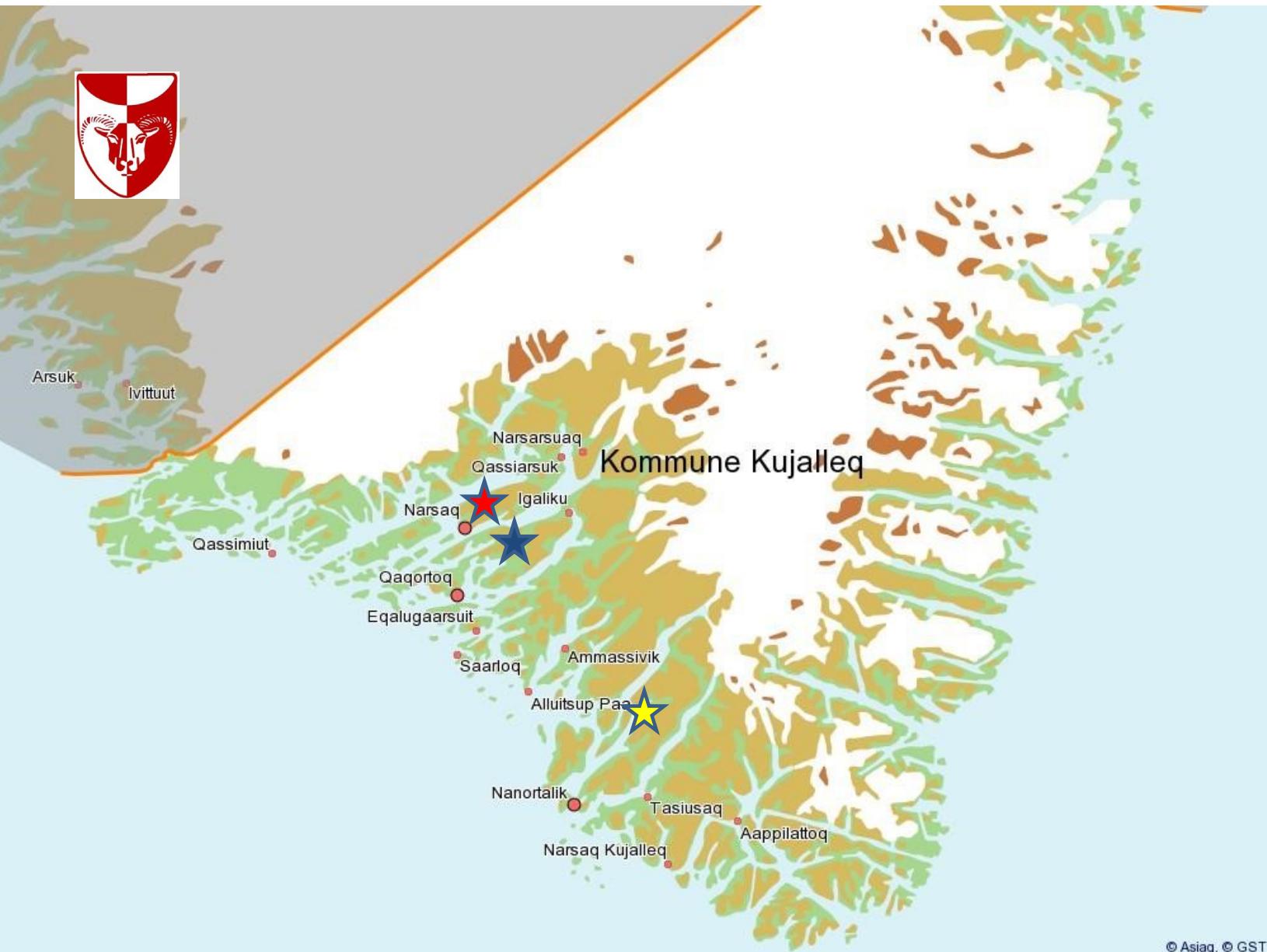


## Geology



## Advanced projects







# Authorities

## Responsibility of the Self – Government of Greenland

- **The Ministry of Industry and Mineral Resources (MIM)**
  - ... is responsible for **strategy-making, policy-making, legal issues, marketing** of mineral resources in Greenland and **socioeconomic issues** related to mineral resources activities, such as Social Impact Assessments, Impact Benefit Agreements and royalty schemes. The Ministry deals with geological issues through the Department of Geology.
- **The Mineral Licence and Safety Authority (MLSA)**
  - ... is the one-door authority. Licensees and other parties covered by the Mineral Resources Act communicate with the MLSA and receive all notifications, documents and decisions from the MLSA. The MLSA is the overall administrative authority for **licences** and mineral resources activities, and is the authority for **safety** matters including supervision and inspections.
- **Environment Agency for the Mineral Resources Activities (EAMRA)**
  - ... is the administrative authority for environmental matters relating to mineral resources activities, including **protection of the environment and nature**, environmental liability and environmental impact assessments.



# Sustainability in general

- Economy
- Social
- Environmental



# Tools



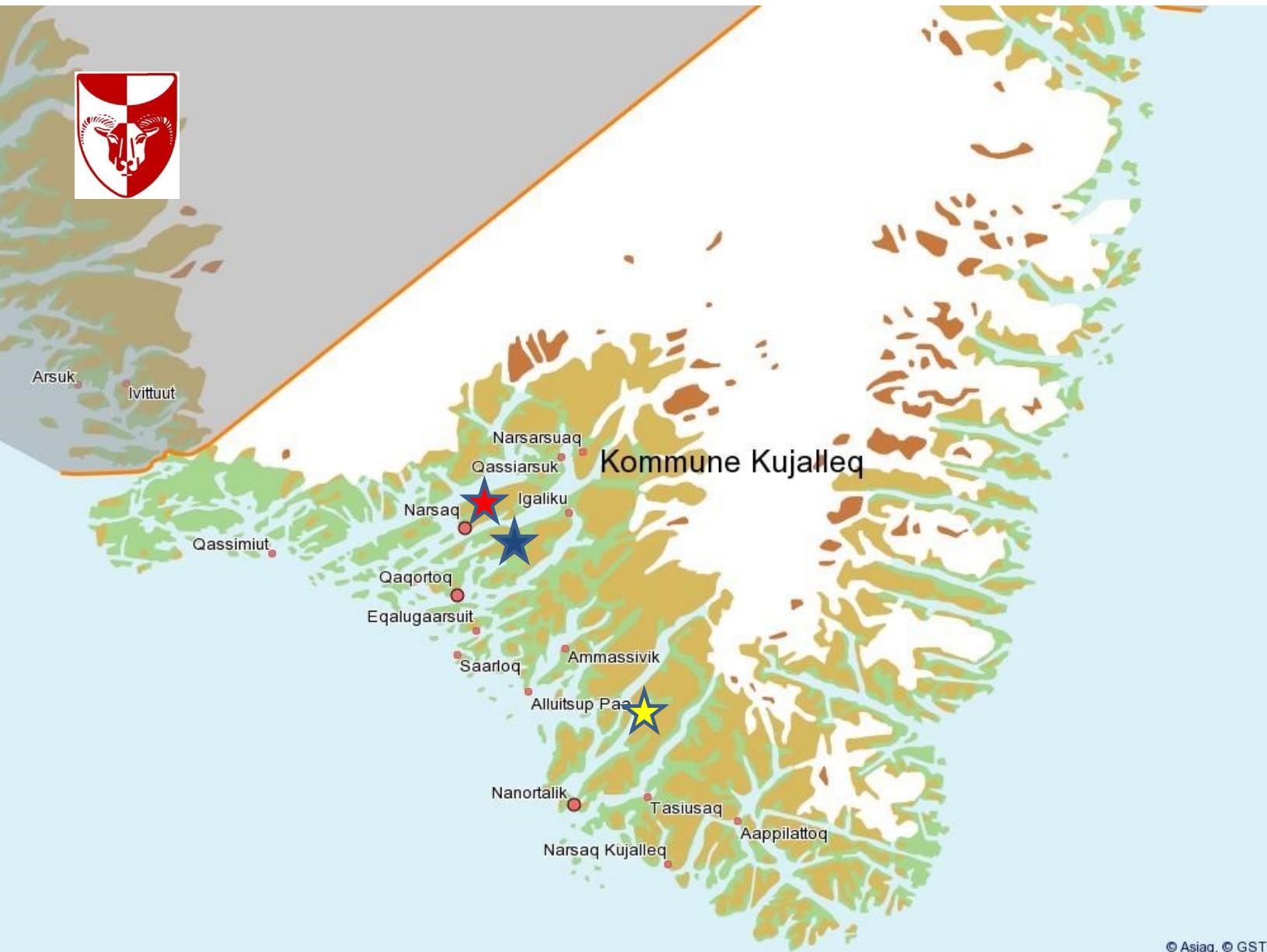
- **EIA – Environmental Impact Assessment**
- **SIA – Social Impact Assessment**
- **IBA – Impact Benefit Agreement**



# Kvanefjeld Multi-Element Project

## Narsaq - South Greenland

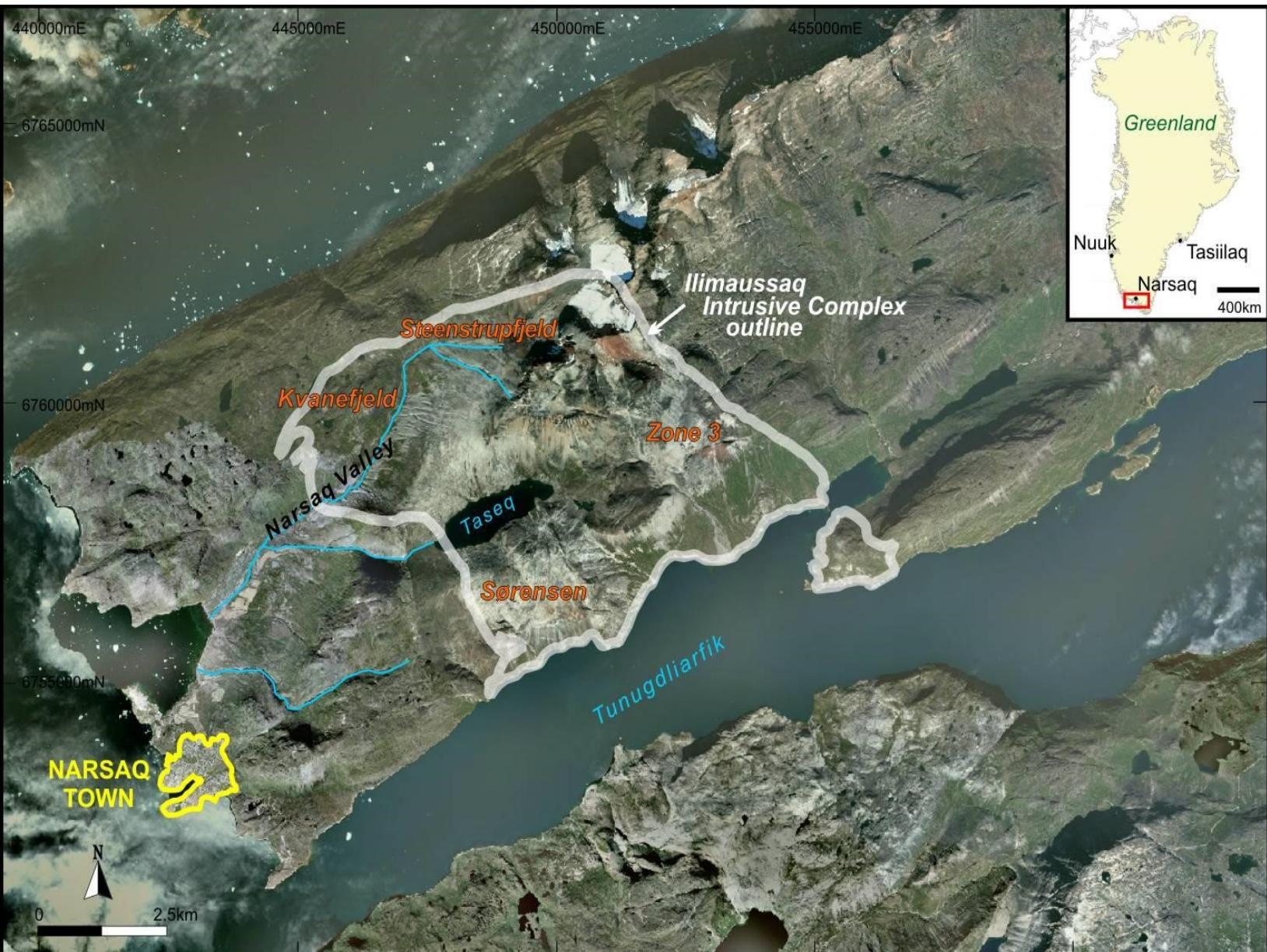




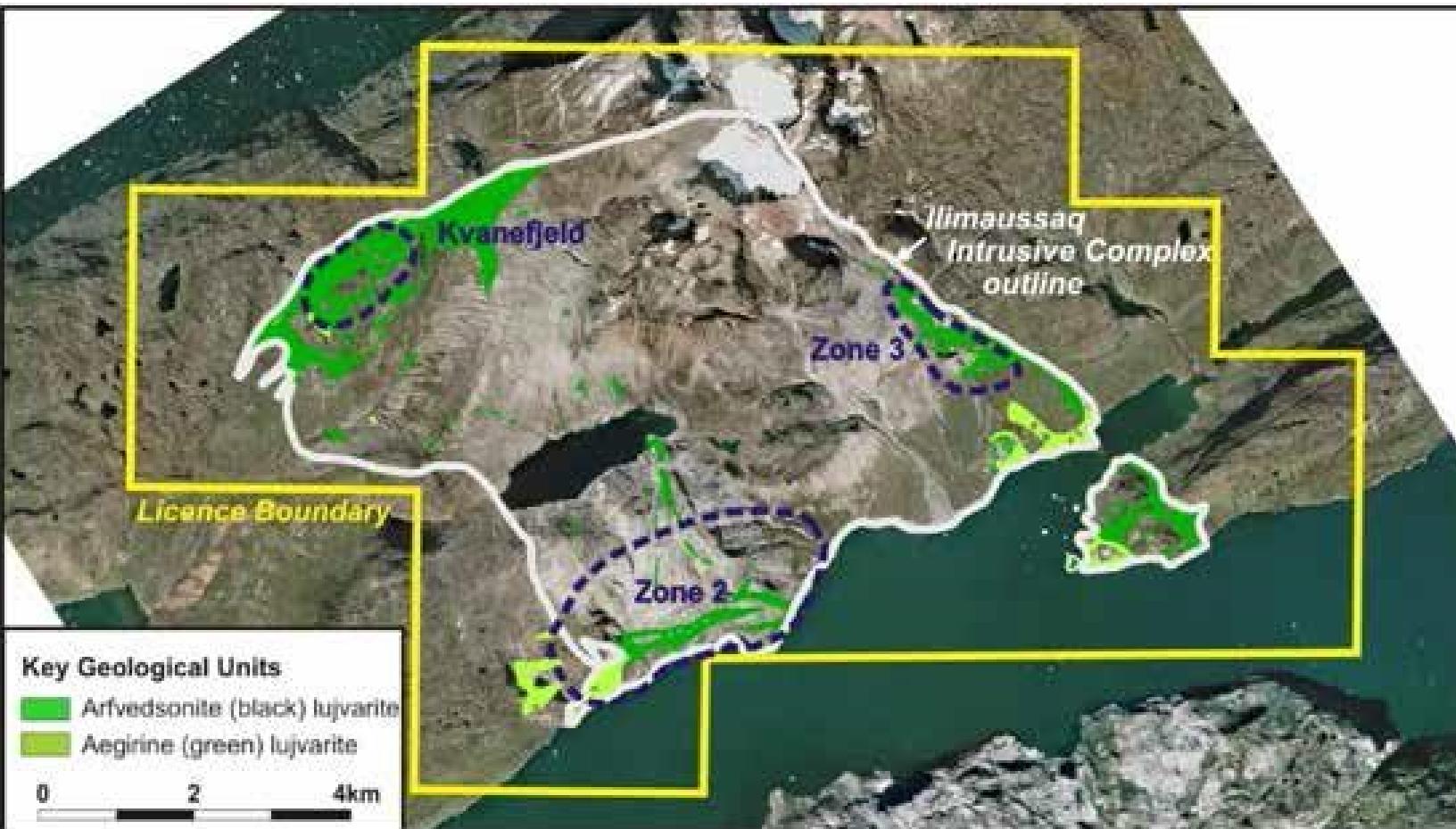








# Lujvarite





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- Rear Earth Elements (REE)
  - lanthanum, cerium, praseodymium, neodymium, samarium, europium, gadolinium, terbium, dysprosium, holmium, erbium, thulium, ytterbium og lutetium
- Uranium
- Thorium
- Granite, quartz, etc



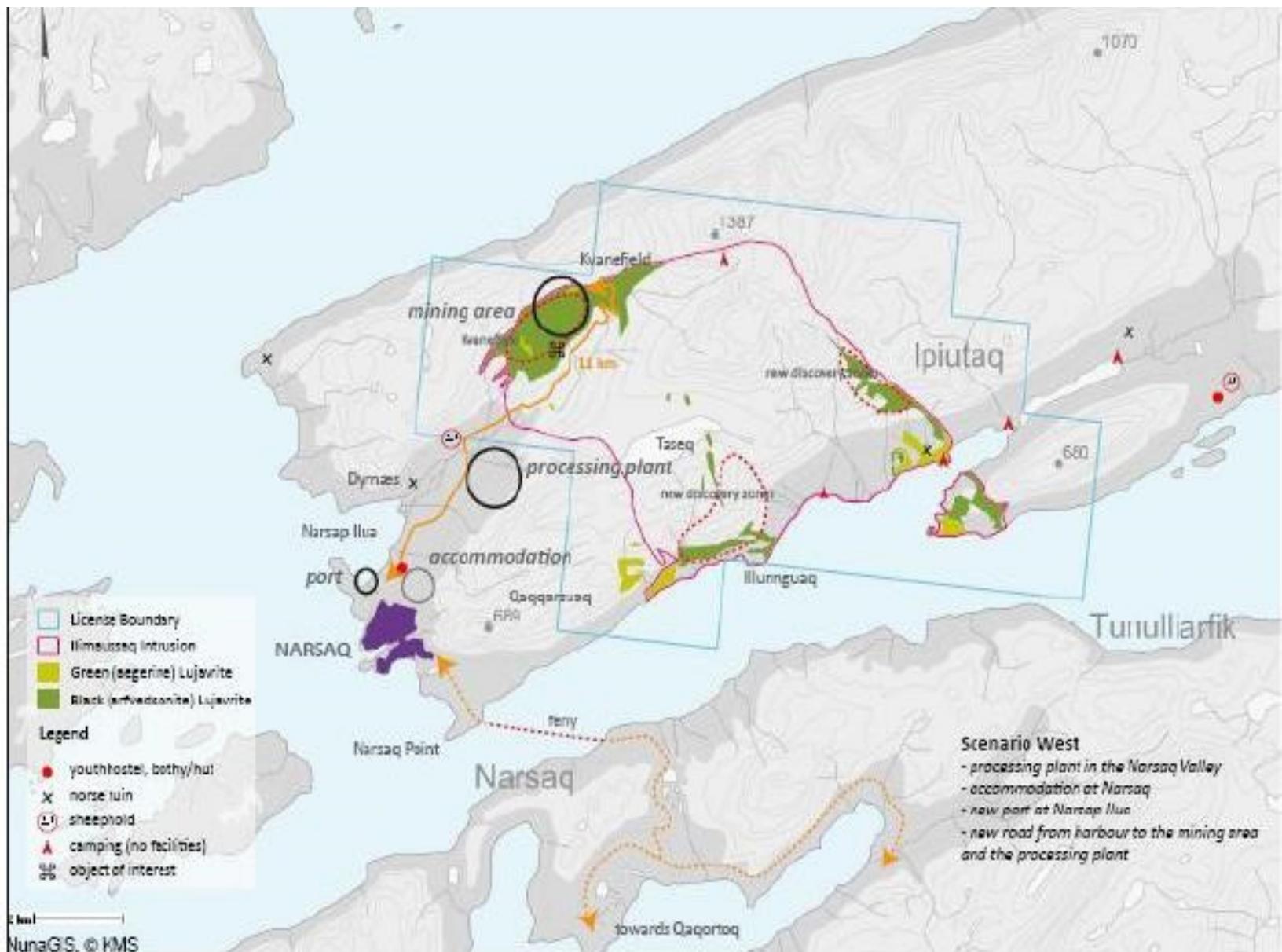
**Baseline study**

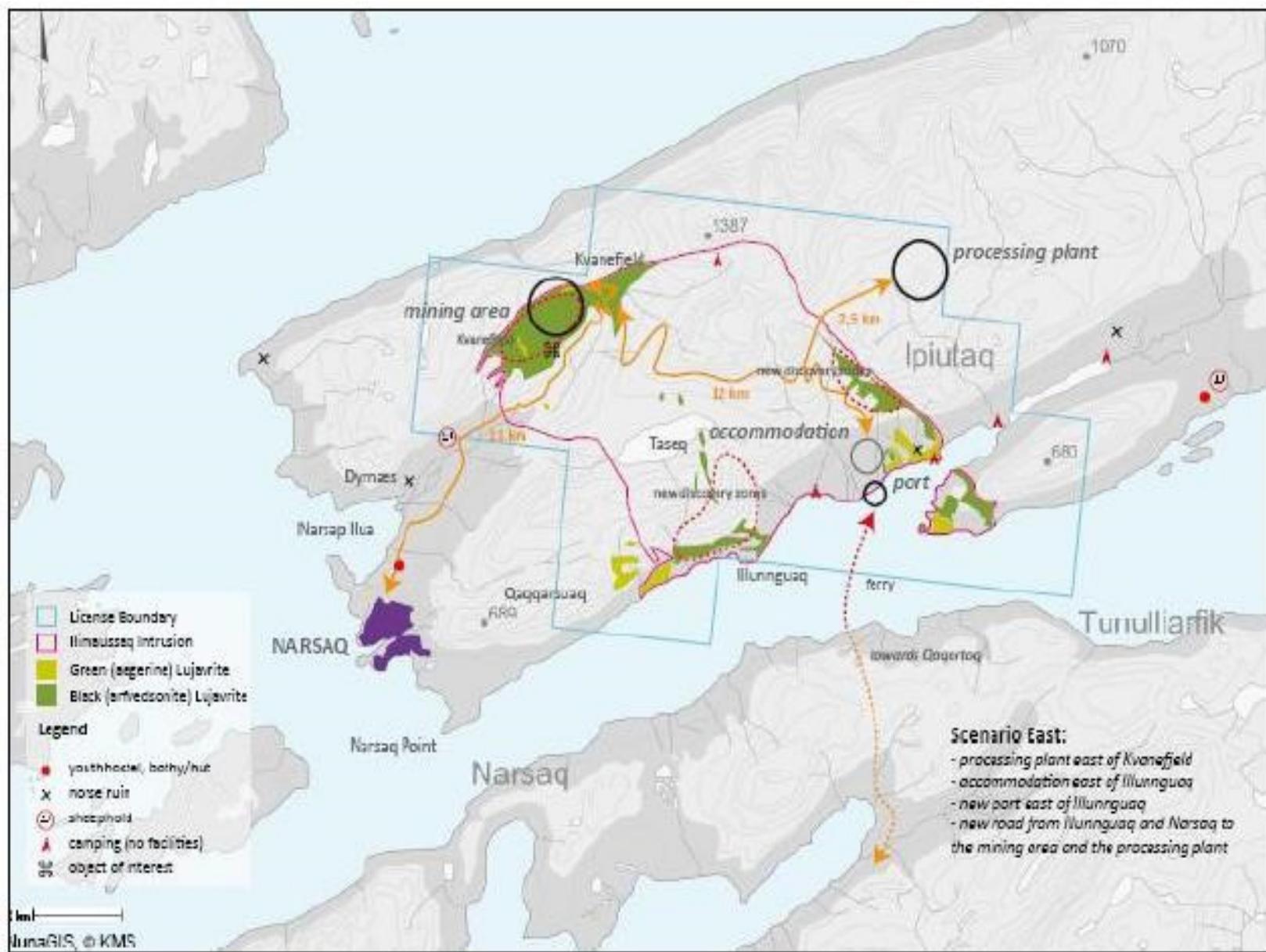


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# Summery of sustainability



- **The total impact – on the globe!**
  - Climate change
  - Energy Sink
  - Security
- **The national interests**
  - Economy
  - Independence
  - Development
- **The local interests**
  - Health
  - Environment
  - Economy (local employment)

# **Qujanaq – Tak – Thank's**

A wide-angle photograph of a fjord landscape. In the foreground, there is a body of water. Behind it, a massive glacier flows through a narrow valley between two ranges of mountains. The mountains on the left are covered in green vegetation, while those on the right are rocky and reddish-brown. Some snow is visible on the peaks of the right-hand range.

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