



**ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING**

IGF 2019

October 7-11, 2019
Palais des Nations, Geneva
MINING IN A CHANGING CLIMATE

AGENDA

Monday, October 7 – Intergovernmental Workshop (Government Delegates Only)

Tuesday, October 8 – Annual General Meeting Day 1

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	LOCATION
08:00 – 10:00	Registration and Security	Pregny Gate
10:00 – 11:15	SESSION 1: Formal Opening and Secretariat Update	Room XXVI
11:15 – 11:45	Morning Networking Break	
11:45 – 13:00	SESSION 2: Impacts and Policies of Mining in a Changing Climate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This session will explore the AGM's theme and provide the global context for key topics in future sessions, including global climate commitments, low-carbon trends, policy implications for governments, and measures to address adaptation and mitigation in the mining sector. 	Room XXVI
	SESSION 3: Partnerships for Change: Fostering voluntary sustainability initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How can partnerships in the mining sector ensure a more sustainable supply chain? An expert panel will discuss how voluntary sustainability initiatives can contribute to the sector's sustainable development when done collaboratively and the need for harmony among the growing number of multi-metals initiatives. 	Room XXV
13:00 – 15:00	LUNCH (14:30 – 15:00) – Gender Considerations in Human Rights Due Diligence. Interactive session led by Action Aid, Solidaridad and Simavi.	Room XXV

Tuesday, October 8 – Annual General Meeting Day 1

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	LOCATION
15:00 – 16:15	SESSION 4: Risks and Opportunities: Climate change adaptation in mining <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate change presents the mining sector with an increasing number of risks and opportunities, both today and in the future. This session will focus on identifying the key impacts of climate change on the mining sector, and discuss how the sector—including governments and companies—is responding to adapt to negative impacts and increase 	Room XXVI
	SESSION 5: Strengthening Environmental and Social Impact Assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitting processes that address the timing, scope and development of environmental and social impact assessment (ESIA) processes can contribute to environmental, social and economic sustainable development. This session will explore various approaches, challenges and opportunities for effective ESIA governance. 	Room XXV
16:15 – 16:45	Afternoon Networking Break	
16:45 – 18:00	SESSION 6: Renewable Energy and Effective Policy Frameworks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How can the mining sector integrate more use of renewable energy to reduce and mitigate its carbon emissions? This session will discuss case studies and ways governments can incentivize and create effective policy frameworks. 	Room XXVI
	SESSION 7: ASM Strategy Marketplace <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The development and implementation of ASM management strategies can present a significant path for countries toward strengthening the governance of their ASM sectors, to help ensure the increasing contribution of the sector to livelihoods and sustainable development. This marketplace session will explore active efforts among member states to manage the challenges and opportunities associated with ASM within their countries. 	Room XXV
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Wednesday, October 9 – Annual General Meeting Day 2

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	LOCATION
08:00 – 10:00	Registration and Security	Pregny Gate
10:00 – 11:15	SESSION 8: Government Strategies for Low-Carbon Minerals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This session will present new global research on commodities and climate change while highlighting government strategies needed to help economies transition to a lower-carbon economy. 	Room XXVI
	SESSION 9: Stranded Mineral Assets and the Future of Mining: Evidence and practice assets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The panel discussion will focus on the risks and opportunities posed by asset stranding, the policy implications for mineral-dependent countries, and practical steps being taken by mining companies to manage risks and profitability. It will seek to contribute to the policy debate on the future of mining and sustainable, mineral-based development. 	Room XXV

Wednesday, October 9 – Annual General Meeting Day 2

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	LOCATION
11:15 – 11:45	Morning Networking Break	
11:45 – 13:00	<p>SESSION 10: Supporting Transition in Coal Regions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economies of coal-dependent regions can lag for decades, affecting workers, families and communities. This session will share current global experience and strategies for transitioning away from coal mining, including the need for strong governance and consultation, assistance for workers, and technical advice on reclamation, and land and asset repurposing. 	Room XXVI
13:00 – 15:00	<p>SESSION 11: Gender Transformative Tools: Empowering equality through resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overwhelming evidence shows that gender equality in mining is crucial, to maximize benefits, minimize harm and reach the Sustainable Development Goals. This session presents the need for governments to use existing guidance and tools to sensitize and train their officials, an plan and implement changes to achieve gender equality and women's empowerment in mining. 	Room XXV
13:00 – 15:00	<p>LUNCH (14:00 – 14:30) – Tellus Geological Survey of Ireland (14:30 – 15:00) – OECD Guiding Principles for Durable Extractive Contracts</p>	Room XXV
15:00 – 16:15	<p>SESSION 12: ASM Minerals for Climate Resiliency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate change, through rising temperatures, more variable rainfall, and increasingly frequent and intense extreme weather events, threatens sustainable development across the globe. This session will explore the increasingly important role that development minerals will play in the building the resilience of communities and countries to withstand and recover from the impacts of climate change. 	Room XXVI
15:00 – 16:15	<p>SESSION 13: Global Tailings Review Consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The International Council on Mining and Metals (ICMM), UN Environment and the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) share a commitment to the adoption of global best practices on tailings storage facilities. They have co-convoked the Global Tailings Review to establish an international standard, led by Dr. Bruno Oberle, supported by an expert panel and with the input from a multistakeholder advisory group. The first draft of the standard and the related report will be the subject of public online and in-person consultations in September and October 2019. This session on the Global Tailings Review will be an opportunity for IGF members and other stakeholders to seek clarification on the draft or provide high-level feedback, as well as for the chair to share early insights from the consultation process. 	Room XXV
16:15 – 16:45	Afternoon Networking Break	

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16:45 – 18:00	SESSION 14: European Partnership for Responsible Minerals (EPRM) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A multistakeholder panel will present the work of the EPRM, a partnership aiming to increase the proportion of responsibly produced minerals from conflict-affected and high-risk areas (CAHRAs) and to support the socially responsible extraction of minerals that contribute to local development. The session will focus on outreach to producing countries. 	Room XXVI
	SESSION 15: The Value of Planning: Mine closure and post-mining transition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How can planning for closure lead to improved biodiversity or help keep local economies vibrant? This session explores post-mining benefits and how they can be sustained, as well as examples of governance for effective post-mining transition to attract responsible investors. 	Room XXV

Thursday, October 10 – Annual General Meeting Day 3

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	LOCATION
08:00 – 10:00	Registration and Security	Pregny Gate
10:00 – 11:15	SESSION 16: IGF General Council (Members Only)	Room XXVI
	SESSION 17: The Future of Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The session will follow the format of a forum conversation jointly hosted by the International Labour Organization and the IGF to dissect what the future of work will look like in the mining sector and what that means for creating shared value. 	Room XXV
11:15 – 11:45	Morning Networking Break	
11:45 – 13:00	SESSION 18: Green Mine of the Future: Repurposing mine tailings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How do we build a “green” mine? Mining brownfield sites is one strategy for greening the mining industry. Reprocessing tailings can reduce pressure on greenfield sites, enable the decontamination and restoration of damaged landscapes, and offer opportunities for net positive gains in terms of carbon balance and biodiversity. If reprocessing tailings is going to be a key strategy for greening the mining industry, what does good practice look like? 	Room XXVI
	SESSION 19: Breaking Barriers to Mining Revenue Collection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One of the most important keys to unlocking mining revenues lies in tax authorities having knowledge of the industry and access to information along the mining value chain. To a large extent, this can be achieved through greater cooperation between finance ministries that set tax policy, revenue authorities who administer tax regimes and mining ministries themselves. The panel will showcase how, in practice, effective cooperation between these authorities, supplemented by sector-specific capacity building and information-sharing tools, is being used to increase mining revenue collection in IGF member countries. 	Room XXV

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TIME	AGENDA ITEM	LOCATION
13:00 – 15:00	LUNCH (14:00 – 15:00) – Revisiting Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining Policies in Africa (session will be in French)	Room XXVI
	(14:00 – 15:00) – Prior Consultation Good Practice in Latin America and the Caribbean (session will be in Spanish)	Room XXV
15:00 – 16:15	SESSION 20: New Tech: The green mines of tomorrow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New technology has the potential to fundamentally transform mining, from extraction to processing to waste management. This session will survey new and upcoming technologies that are aimed at improving environmental performance or that are greener as a side benefit of increased productivity. 	Room XXVI
	SESSION 21: Resource Taxation in a Changing World <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Four years on from the organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) project, the world is once again at a crossroads of fundamental global corporate tax reform. Motivated by the challenge of taxing the modern digital economy, the OECD has opened up a comprehensive review of international tax rules. This represents an important opportunity to rethink the existing tax system and address the root causes of BEPS, including in the mining sector. The panel will discuss novel approaches to resource taxation that aim to safeguard against BEPS, as well as the current proposals for global tax reform. 	Room XXV
16:15 – 16:45	Afternoon Networking Break	
16:45 – 18:00	SESSION 22: CLOSING PLENARY	Room XXVI

**Friday, October 11 – Local Content Policy
Technical Workshop**

Friday’s technical workshop on local content policies will focus on four sessions.

The first session will break down the IGF *Guidance for Governments: Local Content Policies*, followed by a run through of common opportunities and challenges in getting it right, informed by experience in practice.

The second session will explore two types of local content policies: policies to boost local procurement and policies to boost downstream processing. Delegates will also explore the strengths and weaknesses of the various policy options.

The third session, which will be held over lunch and offers no translation, will launch the IGF’s new online training on local content. Drawn from its member guidance on local content policies, the training covers both the various policies and several cross-cutting issues.

The final session, informed by the IGF’s New Tech, New Deal project, will ask: How will new mining technologies impact the viability of local content policies? Will labour-saving tech make local content more difficult? What sorts of solutions could we imagine?