

17th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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Aboriginal Community and Resource Development in a Changing Economy

This conference will promote thinking to meet the challenges facing all of us as we near the end of this decade, including the education and training of Aboriginal youth, preparing for the next upswing in commodities, mitigating impacts and perhaps the renegotiation of agreements (IBAs, etc), as well as understanding new and pending legislative regimes related to Aboriginal consultation such as the pending new Mining Act, Ontario.



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NOVEMBER 1-3, 2009

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Clément Chartier, President,
Métis National Council

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Aboriginal leaders view the current economic climate as an opportunity for resource companies, Aboriginal groups and government to work together to make sure the structures and policies are in place now so that in the next upswing, all parties can potentially benefit.

"Canada's resource-rich economy is going through a bit of a lull right now. Falling commodities prices and a scarcity of capital have conspired to slow down the hitherto frantic pace of development across large swathes of the energy, metals and minerals industries. But, for some, the glass is half full.... 'In a strange way the downturn has created a bit of a breathing space to make sure projects will be sustainable, not just from a First Nations perspective, but also from a Canadian perspective....One of the positive things to come out of this is that presidents of mining companies and political leaders now spend time with aboriginal communities.'" (Merle Alexander, Boughton Law Corporation)

Nation Talk, May 29, 2009

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On the evaluations from last year's program, delegates asked us to include the following in this year's conference:

'More info on the Duty to Consult – in more detail':

*See our pre-conference workshop: **Consultation and Accommodation / Accommodation and Resource Sharing / Aboriginal Crown Consultation***

'Specific session on environmental issues – eg., liabilities, monitoring':

*See **Workshop #4: Mine Environmental Management / Environmental Code of Practice for Metal Mines from the Federal Government***

'Would like some more information for younger, smaller companies just getting started':

*See **Workshop #6: Building a Mining Exploration Company from the Ground Up***

'More on exploration issues; how junior mining companies/prospectors become involved':

*See **Workshop #1: Exploration Agreements and Workshop #6: Building a Mining Exploration Company from the Ground Up***

'Employment and procurement opportunities in the mining industry and the requirements needed to access these opportunities' as well as 'Training / education / funding for education'

*See **Workshop #2: SKILLS TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT – Part I: Development and Retention of a Mining Workforce in the NWT: NWT Mining Workforce Initiative and Workshop #5: SKILLS TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT – Part II: The Aboriginal Skills and Employment Partnership (ASEP) Program / Human Resources and Skills Development: Canada's Aboriginal Employment Program / A Collaborative Approach to Aboriginal Inclusion in Mining***

WHAT DELEGATES LIKED ABOUT LAST YEAR'S CONFERENCE

- 'The most benefit is that aboriginal groups across Canada (and even the U.S.) can get together and share and promote ideas'
- 'Promotes open dialogue between the community representatives and industry'
- 'Workshops and social events are excellent forums to meet with key leaders in Aboriginal communities, industry, and their consultants'
- 'A broad range of informal and cultural events – helping non-native delegates to feel more comfortable'
- 'Contacts continue to be developed, ongoing information about agreements, lessons learned, joint ventures, investment, community engagement, etc.'
- 'To be part of a growing trend to partner business to business with communities and companies'
- 'Learning from one jurisdiction and hoping to see how these innovative approaches can be transferred to help in business success and community growth'

WHO WILL ATTEND

- Aboriginal Leaders, Administrators, Advisors and Councillors
- Resource Industry Executives and Aboriginal Liaisons
- Economic Development Officers
- Prospectors and Developers
- Financiers, Investors and Lenders
- Environmental Consultants
- Infrastructure Contractors
- Suppliers to the Resource Industry
- Government Officials

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

12pm – 4:00pm

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP:
Consultation and Accommodation
Includes luncheon / additional fee applies / see registration form

Panel Discussion

Moderator: Hans Matthews

President, Canadian Aboriginal Minerals Association

Laureen Whyte, Vice President

Association for Mineral Exploration BC

Grand Chief Stan Beardy, Nishnawbe Aski Nation, ON

Grand Chief Stan Louttit,

Mushkegowuk Council, ON

Tribal Chief Liz Logan, Treaty 8 Tribal Association, BC

Accommodation and Resource Revenue Sharing

Sandra Gogal, Miller Thomson LLP

- The provincial governments' positions on resource revenue sharing across Canada
- Models found in agreements with industry and under modern land claim agreements
- Resource revenue sharing as an aboriginal and treaty right

Aboriginal Crown Consultation

Scott Clausen, Acting Director
 Major Projects Management Office
 Natural Resources Canada

- Government approach to Aboriginal Crown Consultation for major resource projects, as mandated by Cabinet in the Regulatory Improvement Initiative of 2007
- Integration of key Crown consultation obligations with the established environmental assessment (EA) and regulatory review process for major resource projects
- Key roles and responsibilities under new approach

5:30pm – 7pm

Welcome Cocktail Reception

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

PLENARY SESSIONS

8:30am – 8:50am

Opening Prayer and Opening Remarks

8:50am – 9:50am

Current Realities of Financing Mineral Development Companies

David Garofalo, Senior Vice President

Finance & CFO, Agnico-Eagle Limited

John F. Kearney, Chairman & CEO,
 Labrador Iron Mines Holdings Limited

9:50am – 10:40am

Mines Ministers Panel

Hon. Michael Gravelle, Minister

Northern Development and Mines
 Government of Ontario

Hon. Peter Taptuna, Deputy Premier,
 Minister of Economic Development and
 Transportation, Minister of Mining,
 Government of Nunavut

- Overview by province of the minerals industry, strengths, key commodities, and trends
- Brief overview of Aboriginal proximity and involvement in mining and key steps the provincial governments have taken to work with Aboriginal communities
- Policies and Programs which promote Aboriginal participation in Mining and responses to issues
- Revenue Sharing, Consultation and Accommodation with Aboriginal Communities are topics of interest to many: what provincial governments are undertaking or considering in order to address these issues
- What are some future challenges and lessons learned to fully implement the Aboriginal community in the mining industry?

10:40am – 11:10am

Coffee Break sponsored by



11:10am – 12:10pm

ABORIGINAL MINE OWNERS PANEL: ARMCHAIR SESSION

Henry Wetelainen, President & Chief Executive Officer, Bending Lake Iron Group Ltd.

Daniel Tucker, Managing Director
 Carey Mining Pty Ltd.

Philip Montour, President
 Mohawk Garnet Inc.

12:10pm – 1:30pm

Luncheon sponsored by

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1:30pm – 3:00pm

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

1 EARLY AGREEMENTS Exploration Agreements

Anthony P. Makuch, President, CEO,
 Director, Lake Shore Gold Corp.

Chief Walter Naveau, Mattagam First Nation

- Lake Shore Gold and several First Nations have signed an agreement with regard to the development of the Bell Creek Project

Collaboration Agreements

Jean Paul Murdoch, Partner, Morin & Murdoch Avocats

Jean M. Gagné, Partner, Fasken Marineau DuMoulin LLP

- The challenges and rewards experienced in developing the Eleonore Collaboration agreement between Cree Nation of Wimindji and Opinaca Mines

2 SKILLS TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT – PART I Development and Retention of a Mining Workforce in the NWT

Cathie Bolstad, Manager, Public & Corporate Affairs, De Beers Canada Mining Inc.

Pat McCloskey, Director, Community and Corporate Affairs, Diavik Diamond Mines Inc.

Deana Twissell, Superintendent,
 Corporate & Community Affairs,
 BHP Billiton Diamonds Inc.

Rick Meyers, Vice President Diamond Affairs
 The Mining Association of Canada

3 ONTARIO'S NEW MINING ACT: Issues Affecting First Nations and Métis

Juli Abouchar, Partner, Willms & Shier
 Environmental Lawyers LLP

Michael Fox, President, Fox High Impact Consulting

Philip Bousquet, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada

3:00pm – 3:30pm

Refreshment Break sponsored by





3:30pm – 5:00 pm

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

4 MINE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Mine Reclamation and the Establishment of Agriculturally Productive Land on Mine Tailings

Bryan Tisch, Senior Environmental Scientist, CANMET Mining and Mineral Sciences Laboratories of Natural Resources Canada

- Current mine reclamation practices
- Remediating tailing impoundment areas with organic wastes to yield agricultural lands for biofuel production
- Overview of NRCan’s Green Mines Green Energy (GMGE) research initiative

Environmental Code of Practice for Metal Mines from the Federal Government

Charles Dumaresq, Head, Regulatory Development – Mining, Environment Canada

5 SKILLS TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT – PART II

Human Resources and Skills Development: Canada’s Aboriginal Employment Program

Keith Conn, Director General, Aboriginal Affairs Directorate, Human Resources and Skills Development Canada

- The new Aboriginal Skills and Training Strategic Investment Fund
- The Aboriginal Skills and Employment Partnership Program
- The successor program to the Aboriginal Human Resources Development Strategy

The Aboriginal Skills and Employment Partnership (ASEP) program

Deborah Hyde, Acting Director, ASEP, Human Resources and Skills Development Canada

- The Government intends to invest an additional \$100 million over three years to help Aboriginal people participate in the work force and get the training they need to get good skilled jobs

A Collaborative Approach to Aboriginal Inclusion in Mining

Melanie Sturk, Director, Attraction, Retention & Transition, Mining Industry Human Resources Council (MiHR)

During this presentation MiHR will discuss the importance of Aboriginal inclusion in the mining industry, by introducing two resources that address both human resources supply and demand:

1. Mastering Aboriginal Inclusion in Mining
2. The Mining Industry Guide for Aboriginal Communities

6 BUILDING A MINING EXPLORATION COMPANY FROM THE GROUND UP

Dr. Francis Manns, Senior Manager, Compliance & Disclosure Mining Toronto Stock Exchange
Raziel Zisman, Counsel, Global Mining & Energy Groups, Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP

- This practical workshop will provide an overview on the principal milestones, and related challenges, that a team attempting to build a mining exploration company in Canada is likely to encounter, such as:
 - securing mining rights
 - planning an exploration program
 - generating the required technical reports
 - finding a joint-venture partner and raising funds.

5:15pm – 6:30pm

Cocktail Reception sponsored by



7:00pm – 9:30pm

Gala Event, a banquet dinner with entertainment featuring Meshikamau Band from Sheshatshiu Labrador, back by popular demand, and Native Earth Performing Arts

Transportation is provided. Additional fee applies. See registration form.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

7:30am – 8:30am

Breakfast sponsored by



8:30am – 8:45am

Opening Remarks

8:45am – 9:15am

Parnautit, the Nunavut Mineral Exploration and Mining Strategy

Hon. Peter Taptuna, Deputy Premier Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Minister of Mining, Government of Nunavut

9:15am – 10:00am

Youth Panel

Hear from employed youth about their experiences and ideas about youth in mining:

- How they got interested
- What aspects of their program/work they enjoy
- Recommendations for attracting and educating youth
- What do they see as some of the challenges to get more youth from northern and remote communities into accredited programs and the mining workforce

10:00am – 10:30am

Coffee Break sponsored by



10:30am – 12:00pm

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

7 Partnership between Forum Uranium and NTI committed to uranium exploration in Nunavut

Rick Mazur, President & CEO, Forum Uranium Corp.

James Eetoolook, 1st Vice President, Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated

Australian Uranium Association’s Indigenous Dialogue Group

Clinton Wolf, CEO, Western Desert Lands Aboriginal Corporation – founding member

8 MINE RECLAMATION

Cultural Keystone Species (CKS) model in the community of Fort McKay as a mechanism to address social, ecological and spiritual values in regional mine-land reclamation

Ann Garibaldi, MSc, Ethnobotanist, Jacques Whitford Stantec AXYS Limited
Justin Straker, MSc, PAg, Practice Director, Reclamation and Biomonitoring, Jacques Whitford Stantec AXYS Limited

9 NEGOTIATION / RENEGOTIATION OF MINING PROJECT AGREEMENTS: How to Successfully Move from the Historical ‘David vs. Goliath’ Dynamics

P. Jerry Asp, President, C3 Alliance Corporation

Stuart Feiner, Consultant to Osler, Hoskin and Harcourt

Bob Hathaway, President of Cahokia Consultants and One World Development Corporation

- Strategies to maximize your goals and objectives: ‘Bear hunting with a Switch’
- Establishing and prioritizing key monetary and non-monetary goals
- Special preparations for negotiation / renegotiation
- What precedents would be helpful to look at? Separating fact from fiction
- What special expertise should I have on my side?
- Strategic alliances to consider bringing to the table
- How do you measure a ‘successful’ outcome?

12pm – 1:30pm

Closing Luncheon and Door Prize Draw

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12:00pm – 4pm. Price per person is \$79.00*. Includes lunch.

GALA EVENT

Monday evening 7pm – 9:30pm. \$79.95* per person. Includes dinner with wine, entertainment and transportation.

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